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BSA Requirements Update

Council Calendar

Osage Hills District Roundtable

Scouts BSA - First Thursday of the month at the Scout Office, August through May

Grand Lake District Roundtable

2nd Thursday of the month, August through May

[Click here to see the full Council calendar](#)

Monday, January 2, 2023
Scout Service Center closed

Fri.-Sat., Jan. 6-7, 2023
[OA Lodge Leadership Development](#)

Saturday, January 7, 2023
[OA Winter Banquet](#)

Monday, January 16, 2023
Scout Service Center closed

Saturday, January 28, 2023
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BSA has released information on the updates to rank requirements and merit badges, plus a few minor changes to the "Special Opportunities."



The 2023 Scouts-BSA Requirements book should be available soon. and BSA has updated the <https://www.scouting.org/programs/scouts-bsa/advancement-and-awards/> website with PDF files showing the current requirements.

The changes to rank requirements are basically the ones that were announced last June, and took effect on August 1, 2022, for Scout through Life ranks, and on July 1, 2022, for Eagle.

The merit badge requirements changes are listed on this web page:

<https://www.scouting.org/skills/merit-badges/all/>

There are changes to the requirements for 30 merit badges, but more than half of them have minor changes affecting very few requirements.

A detailed listing showing exactly what changed for each rank and badge is available at <http://usscouts.org/advance/changes/advchanges23.asp>.

The merit badge workbooks have also been revised to conform to the current requirements. Scouts that started work using the previous requirements can still continue to use those requirements, and those requirements are still available to view, and the workbooks for those requirements are also still available.



Wilderness and Remote First Aid Training

Washington County Red Cross is again offering Wilderness First Aid.

Wilderness First aid is a 16-hour training course, which is now **required by BSA for Philmont and other backwoods activities**. The course also offers enhanced content to meet OSHA's *Best Practices for Workplace First Aid Training Programs*.

Wilderness and Remote First Aid training is also strongly suggested anytime a group is more than 20 minutes from Professional Medical help.

Sunday, January 29, 2023

[Wilderness & Remote First Aid](#)

Saturday, February 4, 2023

[OH Scouting for Food](#)

Saturday, February 11, 2023

[OH Scouting for Food](#)

Sunday, February 12, 2023

[Scout Sunday](#)

Thursday, February 16, 2023

[Council Calendar Planning](#)

Saturday, February 18, 2023

[GL Pinewood Derby](#)

Monday, February 20, 2023

Scout Service Center closed

Tuesday, February 21, 2023

Executive Board meeting

Tuesday, February 28, 2023

[Friends of Scouting Patron Reception](#)

Saturday, March 4, 2023

[Merit Badge Festival](#)

Thursday, March 9, 2023

[GL District Banquet](#)

Fri.-Sun., March 24-26, 2023

[Spring Camporee](#)

Friday, April 7, 2023

Scout Service Center closed

Tuesday, April 11, 2023

Executive Board meeting

Fri.-Sun., April 14-16, 2023

[OA Spring Fellowship and Ordeal](#)

Saturday, April 22, 2023

[Earth Day Volunteer Event](#)

Saturday, May 6, 2023

[Scouts Trash the Trash Day](#)

Monday, May 29, 2023

Scout Service Center closed

Tuesday, May 30, 2023

This course includes instruction, participant interaction, and many scenarios. **Participants should be at least 14 years old.** Knowledge of First Aid and Current CPR is a prerequisite for this class.

The cost for this Course is \$60. We will have a short break for lunch, not included in the course pricing. Our location is near multiple fast-food restaurants or you could bring a sack lunch. A \$15.00 discount will be available for those that do not need the Wilderness and Remote First aid Reference guides.

The course will be held in Bartlesville -- January 28 and January 29. The class will start at 8:30 am and be completed before 6:30 pm each day. **You must attend both classes to complete the course.**

A 25-question test requiring an 80% or better and satisfactory completion of all skills are required for completion.

The class will be **limited to the first 24 participants.** For further information and to sign up, email Charles Lewis at charlielewis@yahoo.com.

Registration will end on January 24th.



2023 Scouting New Year's Resolutions

Searching for the right commitment to make to yourself, your body, and your future in the coming year? The Scout Handbook and countless merit badges are full of perfect New Year's resolution inspiration.

The [Personal Fitness](#) merit badge can inspire six goals attainable for Scouts and adults who want to pay special attention to their health in 2023.

1. Get physical.
2. Go to the dentist.
3. Walk or run a mile.
4. Conduct your own strength test.

[Council Banquet](#)

Friday, June 2, 2023
[Council Golf Tournament](#)

Fri.-Sat., June 2-3, 2023
[OA Summer Ordeal](#)

Wed.-Fri., June 7-9, 2023
[OH Cub Scout Day Camp](#)

Wed.-Fri., June 14-16, 2023
[GL Cub Scout Day Camp](#)

**Wednesday-Friday,
July 19-28, 2023**
[National Scout Jamboree](#)

Tuesday, August 8, 2023
Executive Board meeting

Monday, September 4, 2023
Scout Service Center closed

Saturday, Sept. 16, 2023
[Sky Trail Adventure Run](#)

Fri.-Sun., Sept. 22-24, 2023
[Fall Camporee](#)

Fri-Sun, Sep. 29-Oct. 1, 2023
[Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills \(IOLS\)](#)

Tuesday, October 10, 2023
[Executive Board meeting](#)

Fri.-Sun., October 13-15
[OA Fall Fellowship and Ordeal](#)

Wed.-Fri., Nov. 22-24, 2023
Scout Service Center closed

Tuesday, December 12, 2023
Executive Board and Annual Meeting

Monday, December 25, 2023
Scout Service Center closed

5. Create a physical fitness plan (and do it!)
6. Read the "Emotional Fitness" section of the Personal Fitness merit badge and put it to work.

Read the [full article](#) from the *On Scouting* blog.

Keep yourself physically strong and mentally awake!



Lodge Leadership Development and Winter Banquet

Lodge Leadership Development (LLD) - Friday, January 6 at 7 PM through Saturday, January 7 at 4 PM

All Lodge officers and their advisers are required to attend. Other Arrowmen are encouraged to attend to learn more about how the Lodge functions.

Winter Banquet - Saturday, January 7 at 6 PM
The cost for Winter Banquet is \$20 per person.
Please register for Winter Banquet [HERE](#).

This year's LLD and Winter Banquet will be held at Father Lynch Hall at St. John School, 816 S. Keeler, Bartlesville.

The Lodge has been challenged to get 100 dues-paid members to attend Winter Banquet. If successful, the Lodge Staff Advisor will be pied in the face!

Join us for a weekend of learning, networking, and GREAT food by Bruce.



Scout Service Center will be closed.

Friday, December 30, 2022, and
Monday, January 2, 2023

2024 Sea Base Registration

Registration will go live to the general public at 9:00 am EST on January 18, 2023.



Ocean Adventures Await.

Sea Base Registration is first come, first served. Open Registration is not a lottery-- Reservation is immediate.

Before Open Registration, ensure the leader registering is able to log into their [My.Scouting.org](https://my.scouting.org) account without difficulty.

[Sea Base Adventure Descriptions](#)

[2024 High Adventure Registration Checklist \(PDF\)](#)

1. Review and confirm that your unit meets the eligibility requirements for Sea Base Adventures.

[Sea Base Eligibility](#)

2. Log in to your my.scouting account and verify your contact information.

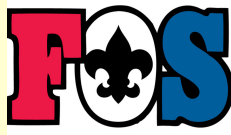
3. Discuss a range of options for your unit, in case the first choice is not available when you log in to register.

[Sea Base Fees & Availability](#)

4. On January 18, 2023, click the link in the email sent to you the day before to begin registration.

[2024 Reservations](#)

2023 Friends of Scouting Patron Dinner



Note date has changed to Tuesday, February 28th

More details will be announced closer to the event.



Earth Day 2023 Volunteer Event

When: Saturday, April 22, 2023

Where: Phillips 66 downtown parking lot and District 2 County Barn in Dewey

What: During the event, residents line up in their vehicles to drop off their hazardous waste at each location.

About 130 volunteers are needed on the day of the event to help move the waste from the vehicles to the waste vendor's sorting area.

Safety is a top priority so all personal protective equipment, including safety glasses and gloves, will be provided during the event, along with breakfast and/or lunch.

The minimum age for volunteers is 16. Volunteers from 16-18 need to be accompanied by an adult.

Sign-up [HERE](#) to volunteer!

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