

Mission Peak District Merit Badge Extravaganza (MBEx)



Date of MBEx: Saturday, December 4, 2021

Registration Starts: Monday, November 1st, 2021

Registration Ends: Sunday, November 28th, 2021 or when full

Location: Kennedy High School, 39999 Blacow Rd., Fremont
Some classes may require an additional material fee.
Advance registration is required.

Uniform: All participants (Scouts and Adult Scouters) must wear Field uniform (Class A).

Classes: All Scouts must remain in classrooms or be with their unit's Adult-in-Charge.

Units: Must provide one adult for any unit registered.

Prerequisites: Completion of any identified prerequisites is suggested, and scouts must bring proof of completion to class in order to get signed off on those completions. If prerequisites are not completed, the scout will not complete the merit badge that day.

Requirements: Must be met in order to attend the course.

MBEx Schedule:

Check In:	8:00 am	-	8:45 am	Adult-In-Charge
Opening:	8:45 am	-	9:00 am	Everyone
Session 1:	9:00 am	-	12:00 pm	See registration packet for location
Lunch:	12:00 pm	-	1:00 pm	Pick-up at Food Area
Session 2:	1:00 pm	-	4:00 pm	See registration packet for location
Closing:	4:00 pm	-	4:30 pm	Everyone participate

REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

Advance registration is required.

Registration is not complete until you receive a confirmation email.

Step 1 - Online Registration

Online registration must be completed at

<https://www.scoutingevent.com/023-MBEx2021>

Step 2 – Payment

Online payment for \$25 plus any material fees made to **GGAC**.

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EVENT POLICIES

General

- At least one adult for each troop/crew should be present during the entire event to help manage and monitor their units.
- Classes are registered on a first come basis.
- A Scout must BE PREPARED. It is the responsibility of the Scout to complete all requirements and/or prerequisites for any merit badge he chooses to work on. The counselor is there to provide assistance and additional information to the Scout concerning that merit badge.

Items to bring:

- Water bottle: filled and clearly labeled
- Foldable chair: clearly labeled
- Blue card for each merit badge *unless current Merit Badge Counselor has previously been assigned in Scoutbook*: all personal information and registered MB info filled out
- Any items listed in Merit Badge Class Description, i.e. MB worksheets or books, prerequisites

Indoor Etiquette

- No food or drinks other than water bottles will be allowed.
- Masks must be worn while inside. All Country and Fremont Unified School District COVID guidelines must be followed.

Check-in

- Adult-in-Charge will check in ALL scouts from troop/crew and receive printed confirmation of classes and lunch tickets.

Prerequisites & Requirements

- Some merit badges have specific age or rank requirements prior to beginning. It is the Scout responsibility to check whether the Scout is eligible to work on the merit badge prior to registering. If a Scout is not eligible for the merit badge then the Scout will be dropped from the class roster.
- Completion of any identified prerequisites is highly suggested. Scouts will not complete the merit badge during the Merit Badge Extravaganza if these prerequisites are not completed prior to class. Scouts must bring proof of completion to class in order to get signed off on those completions.
- Some of the Merit Badges will only be for partial completion as these MBs have extensive requirements making it impossible to fully complete the Merit Badge in a three hour period.
- If a Scout does not complete a merit badge during the Merit Badge Extravaganza, the Scout is responsible for contacting a merit badge counselor and finishing the merit

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badge. Some of the Merit Badge Extravaganza counselors may be available to the Scouts who took their class in order to finish partials.

- Scouts are expected to have read the merit badge booklet. Some merit badge booklets may be available for purchase on site from the Scout Shop.
- Scouts are expected to bring a blue card to their class unless their instructing Merit Badge Counselor has previously been assigned in Scoutbook.

Attendance & Participation

- Tardiness is not permitted. Scouts arriving more than 15 minutes late will not be allowed to enter the classroom. No refunds will be issued for Scouts who do not attend class due to tardiness.
- Scouts are expected to participate in all class discussions. Scouts should ask questions, and be ready to answer questions when asked. Counselors reserve the right to call on any Scout to answer questions about the material, even if he does not volunteer.
- Reading the MB Book and bringing a filled blue card applies to all Merit Badges.
- Not completing prerequisites will result in a partial merit badge as these are not covered in classes.
- Should the Scout not do the work to complete a requirement for the merit badge, it is their responsibility to complete it before it will be signed off on by the counselor. While much of the required material is presented during the workshops, that does not necessarily count as the Scout having completed it.
- Scouts are expected to bring a pen or pencil and notebook.

Blue cards

- In order to receive credit for any merit badge, **scouts must bring their blue card** to all classes and must have completed all requirements.
- The blue card must be filled out completely by the Scout prior to course beginning.
- The only exception to having a blue card is if their instructing Merit Badge Counselor has been confirmed as previously being assigned in Scoutbook.
- No blue cards will be available at MBEx.

Schedule Changes

- No schedule changes will be performed at the event.

Questions or concerns

For comments, questions, or concerns following the event you may contact the Merit Badge Extravaganza Coordinator at the following: Rebeca Rafael at **Rebe.Rafael.1@gmail.com**.

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Registration FAQs

Q: Where will Merit Badge Extravaganza classes be held?

A: Classes will be held in the various rooms and outdoor areas of Kennedy High School (39999 Blacow Rd., Fremont). Scouts will receive the locations of their classes at the time of check-in.

Q: Do any classes leave Kennedy High School?

A: No; however, the Geology class provides a field trip to the Children's Natural History Museum in order to complete some of the requirements.

Q: By what time should I be there?

A: Check-in and registration will begin promptly at 8:00 am. Please coordinate with your Adult-in-Charge as to when you are meeting so that the adult can pick up the unit registration.

Q: By what time will the day be over?

A: Scouts are expected to remain for clean-up until 4:30pm. As Scouts we should leave the school cleaner than when we arrived. This is our service to Kennedy High School.

Q: When are the merit badges being offered?

A: Classes are offered during 1 of 2 sessions. The sessions are: Session 1 (9am - 12pm) and Session 2 (1pm - 4pm). Additional merit badge counselors will be added to meet with scouts who have partially met requirements and need to meet with a counselor to complete 1-2 requirements.

Q: How many scouts can we bring from a single unit?

A: There is no limit to the number from any specific troop but registration is on a first come basis.

Q: What will attendees eat for lunch?

A: A hot dog lunch will be provided. When registering online, please also choose a regular hot dog lunch or a vegetarian hot dog lunch. Lunch is being provided by Troop 154.

Q: Is the cost less if I bring my own lunch?

A: No. Lunch is worked into the overall budget.

Q: Where will parking be available?

A: You will be able to park in the school parking lot.

Q: Where will check-in be?

A: Check-in will be conducted in the parking lot of the school.

Q: What should we wear?

A: ALL scouts and uniformed adults are expected to be attired in class A uniform. The primary reason for this is security, so that we know who is associated with Scouts BSA. Some courses may ask you to bring a change of clothing if appropriate.