

# SCOUTS BSA SUMMER RESIDENT CAMP MERIT BADGES

*55 Updated MB Topics Offered in 2026!*

## AQUATICS

*Canoeing*  
*Kayaking*  
*Lifesaving\*<sup>@</sup>*  
*Rowing*  
*Small-Boat Sailing*  
*Swimming<sup>@</sup>*

## CHALLENGE

*Climbing (returns!)*  
*Personal Fitness\* (TtE)*

## COOKING OUTDOORS

*Cooking\* (returns!)*

## ECOLOGY/ CONSERVATION

### (NATURE)

*Astronomy*  
*Bird Study*  
*Environmental Science<sup>@</sup>*  
*Fish & Wildlife  
Management*  
*Forestry*  
*Geology*  
*Mammal Study*  
*Mining in Society*  
*Nature*  
*Oceanography*  
*Plant Science*  
*Soil & Water  
Conservation*  
*Weather*

## HANDY CRAFTS

*American Indian Culture  
(formerly Indian Lore)*  
*Art*  
*Basketry*  
*Fingerprinting*  
*Leatherwork*  
*Photography*  
*Pottery*  
*Railroading*  
*Sculpture*  
*Woodcarving*

## OUTDOOR SKILLS (SCOUTCRAFT)

*Camping\**  
*Emergency*  
*Preparedness\*<sup>@</sup>*  
*Exploration*  
*Fire Safety\**  
*First Aid*  
*Fishing*  
*Hiking<sup>@\*</sup>*  
*Orienteering*  
*Pioneering*  
*Search & Rescue*  
*Signs, Signals & Codes*  
*Wilderness Survival*

## PATH TO

### ENLIGHTENMENT (TRAIL-TO-EAGLE)

*American Heritage*  
*Chess*  
*Citizenship in the  
Nation\**  
*Citizenship in the World*  
*Communication\**  
*Personal Management\**  
*Salesmanship*  
*Scouting Heritage*

## RANGE & TARGET

### ACTIVITIES

*Archery*  
*Rifle Shooting*  
*Shotgun Shooting*

## GRAPHIC KEY:

### CAMP PROGRAM AREAS

*Merit Badge topics  
that are Eagle-required or  
(<sup>@</sup>) are an alternate choice;*

*Merit Badge topics (\*)  
that have one or more pre-  
requisites which need to be  
finished outside of Camp to  
complete all requirements.*

*(Comments)*

