

The Scout Shop Uniform Sale Is Back

This uniform sale helps you save on essential elements of the Scouting experience as a new Scouting year begins.

New Video Resources Can Help Den Leaders

With the pandemic limiting some in-person activities, these videos offer an easy-to-deliver virtual alternative for leaders. Your Content Goes Here

Member Care Transitioning Support to Council

On Sept. 1, Member Care Contact Center will shift to serve council employees so they can address local volunteer needs.

Inaugural Class of Female Eagle Scouts Update

Those connected to the process for the inaugural class of female Eagle Scouts should review the updated guidance.

Council-wide Art Contest

Show off your inner Norman Rockwell!

Do you have an eye for artwork? Do you want to have your work recognized by the council for a whole year? Get creative and use your favorite style of art, whether it is pop art, expressionism, cartoon, black and white, color, whatever you like.

We will pick 5 ultimate winners, one from each of the divisions (Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venture, Explorers, and Ship). Winners will have their submission framed and displayed at the Council Service Center for a whole year, featured on the Council website, and will receive a special shout out in Mayflower Today and facebook!

Entries due by September 30, 2020.

For detailed contest rules and to submit your artwork please visit the link below!

Submit Your Artwork

Virtual Merit Badge Offerings – August-Round 2

The Mayflower Council has secured merit badge counselors to teach a few merit badges virtually. Scouts can now sign up for the following virtual merit badge offerings.

Space is limited, please sign up as soon as possible. Each course is only \$10.00.

Click on the merit badge you are interested in to sign up.

Communication – Have you ever thought about how to improve your skills of holding a conversation? Can you teach a skill and give a speech about a topic you like? This Eagle Required Merit Badge is for you to think about how we communicate with others! You must attend all sessions. Tuesday's, August 18, August 25, September 1 and September 8 from 7:00 – 8:00 pm.

Citizenship In The Nation – Now is an important time to take Citizenship in the Nation. Join us to have conversations about the founding principles of the United States, how our local representatives work with others around the Country, and how our Scouts can do their best to do their duty to their country! This course runs for 2 consecutive weeks. You must attend all sessions. Wednesday's – August 19 and 26 from 6:30 – 7:30 pm.

Citizenship In The World – What does it mean to be a Citizen in the World? How well do you know governments around the world and how they work together? Do you know what an Ambassador does? How about World Wide Scouting? Join us for this Eagle Required Merit Badge and learn all about it! This

course runs for 5 consecutive days. You must attend all sessions. Monday thru Friday, August 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21 from 10:00 -11:00 am.

Council Service Center Closed

The Mayflower Council staff will be participating in a National staff development conference on Thursday, August 13 and Friday, August 14.

The Council Service Center will be closed during this time to allow our staff full participation.

Thank you for your understanding.

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Dog Care– Dog Care Merit Badge is a great merit badge for you

to spend some time with your furry friend! Join us each Monday for this badge to learn about caring tips, literal tricks, and methods to take care of a pet! Note: In order to take this badge, you MUST have regular access to a dog. It does not need to be your own, but you need to be able to interact with it on a regular schedule. Monday's, August 3, 10, 17 and 24 from 6:30 – 7:10 (40 minutes).

Space Exploration– Space Exploration is all about the interesting parts of rocket science! If you know what keeps a satellite in orbit, if you are a fan of the Curiosity Rover, if you have every built a model rocket or you have always wanted to, then this is the badge for you to take!

- **Session 1:** Monday's, August 3, 10, 17 and 24 from 8:00 – 9:00 pm.
- **Session 2:** Wednesday's, August 5, 12, 19 and 26 from 8:00 – 9:00 pm.
- **Session 3:** Friday's, August 7, 14, 21, and 28 from 8:00 – 9:00 pm.

Insects – Insect Study Merit Badge is for all the Scouts that want to get outdoors this summer! If you know how to find the insects in your back yard, campground or local park, if you want to learn about what makes these bugs to different from other animals, or if you just like bees, this is the Merit Badge for you! Thursday's, August 6, 13, 20, and 27 from 6:00 – 7:00 pm.

Soil and Water Conservation– Soil and Water Conservation is one of three merit badges to get if you want to earn the World Conservation Award. If you know what a watershed is, if you care about sustainability and a clean environment, or if you want to learn methods to control erosion, then this is the Merit Badge for you! Monday's, August 10, 17, 24, and 31 from 7:00 – 8:00 pm.

Nature – Nature Merit Badge is perfect for the Scouts that

want to get out in the field this summer! This Merit Badge is all about getting outdoors and identifying the amazing flora and fauna in your neck of the woods! Join us for Nature Merit Badge! Monday, August 10 and Monday, August 24 from 3:00 – 4:15 pm.

Photography – Do you know what an aperture or an f-stop are? Do you know how they work together with both digital and film cameras? Do you want to learn easy techniques to upgrade how your photos look? Join us for Photography Merit Badge to practice all this and more! Wednesday's, August 12, 19, 26, and September 2 from 4:00 – 5:00 pm.

Electricity – Do you know how your house gets power? Do you know how to wire a circuit? Do you know the first aid for electric shock? Join us for a remote and virtual class of Electricity Merit Badge! Tuesday, August 4th and Thursday, August 6, and Tuesday, August 11 from 7:00 – 8:15pm.

Limited Edition Council Shoulder Patch

The Mayflower Council Stay Safe CSP sold out in only a few short weeks. We have received numerous requests to purchase one. Another order for 250 has been placed. It is the same design but the border color has been changed to orange. This limited edition CSP can be yours for a donation of \$20.00 per CSP. Proceeds from this CSP run will be used to cover the expenses of the personal protection equipment (PPE) purchased for the camp properties, Adventure Day Camp and the council service center.

Pre-Order yours now – before they are gone!

Order Now

Scouting At A Distance Award

Scouting At A Distance Award For Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturers & Leaders



Mayflower Council would like to recognize Scouts and adults who are Scouting at a distance with a patch that is sure to be a collector item. Requirements for Scouts and leaders to earn this award are simple.

Guidelines:

1. Complete the requirements for the appropriate rank

2. Complete online award completion form
3. Order your patch.
 - The link to order your patch will be provided when you submit your online completion form
 - Patches are \$4 each
 - Our patch design will be available soon and we think it's so cool
4. Award is available for a limited time requirements must be completed by September 30 and patches must be ordered by October 15.
5. Contact Joe Livingston if you have questions about the award.

Continue to follow all applicable state, local, and council guidelines. We encourage you to take and post pictures of your events and post them on social media with the hashtag [#mayflowerscoutsinaction](#) [#scoutingatadistance](#)

Scouting At A Distance Award Requirements

Cub Scout Den Requirements (complete 3 out of this list)

- Attend an in person den meeting
- Plan and practice a den skit or song
- Participate in a den campfire (can't be the same as the den meeting from above)
- Perform at least one hour of community service with your den
- Participate in a den scavenger hunt

Award Completion Form

Scouts BSA Patrol or Venture Crew Requirements (complete 3 out of this list)

- Attend an in-person patrol or crew meeting
- Plan and attend an in-person patrol or crew camping trip
- Participate in at least two hours of community service with your patrol or crew
- Go on a 5-mile hike with your patrol
- Participate in a patrol or crew scavenger hunt

Award Completion Form

Adult Leader Required

- Ensure you are 100% trained for your current position through your My.Scouting profile (for ASM, SM, and Crew Advisors if all that is missing is IOLS an in person training submit email to your local council to be notified when this training will be offered next)

Adult Leader Elective Requirements (complete 2 out of this list)

- Facilitate an in person meeting utilizing the guidelines provided at the time based on local guidelines
- Explain Scouting to a non Scouting family or to a community group of your choice
- Share through social media or a letter to the editor explaining the values of Scouting and what Scouting means to you to help spread the positive message of Scouting
- Following Youth Protection Guidelines ensure at least 1 Scout advances a rank or earns a MB (not virtual if allowed by local guidelines)

Award Completion Form