

Troop 339

Merit Badge Madness Signup

March 26-30, 2010

Annapolis Area Christian School/ Sulin's Farm, Severn, MD

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Registration is first come, first serve

Enrollment is limited, popular classes fill up fast!

I will be mailing registrations Feb 3rd, Feb 17th, and March 3rd!

This is a great opportunity to earn some merit badges. Please indicate your interest below, using a 1 to indicate your first choice, a 2 to indicate your second choice, etc. It is best to indicate more than one choice as the classes have limited enrollment. Prerequisites must be completed in advance to earn the merit badge during the weekend.

Signed Blue Cards will be handed out on Saturday and Sunday mornings at the campsite.

Schedule Summary

Friday, March 27

1700 Meet at troop sheds

1700-2000 check-in/registration at QM tent

2100 Staff, SM, and SPL meeting in QM tent

Saturday, March 28

0630 Reveille and breakfast at campsite

0700 Final registration

0730 Opening Ceremony-Weather Permitting

0800 Classes begin

1200 Lunch at campsite

1300 Afternoon classes begin

1800 Classes end – dinner at campsite

1915 Vespers

1930 campfire program/Order of the Arrow callout

2100 Cracker Barrel for all

Sunday, March 29

0700 breakfast at campsite

0800-1100 finish up classes

1130 closing ceremony

1200 campsite closing

***** If for whatever reason a scout is unable to attend the entire weekend, the adult in charge at the troop campsite MUST be notified!*****

Troop 339 Activity Permission Slip
4 Rivers Merit Badge Madness 2010
March 26- 28, 2010

PERMISSION AND WAIVER OF RESPONSIBLY AND EMERGENCY INFORMATION

In consideration of the benefits to be derived, and in view of the fact that the Boy Scouts of America is an educational institution, membership in which is voluntary, I agree to my son's participation, and waive all claims against the leaders of this trip, officers, agents, and representatives of the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 339 and the sponsoring organization. In the event of an emergency, the Troop leader(s) of the activity named above has/have my permission to obtain medical treatment for this Scout at the nearest hospital or doctor, at my expense as restricted on this form.

During the activity, I can be called at one of the following numbers:

Phone #1 (_____) Phone #2 (_____)

This Scout is highly allergic or sensitive to _____

What, if any, medication is the Scout currently taking: _____

Any special instructions for this medication: _____

Medical Insurance Company: _____

Policy Number: _____

Please attach a note on a separate paper if there is any additional information the activity or unit leader needs to know!

I have read the above waiver and agree to its terms, and hereby give permission for my Scout to attend Merit Badge Madness, March 26-28, 2010.

Scout Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Total Cost of This Trip is \$27.00 plus \$4.75 per MB book
(Cost includes meals Saturday through Sunday Breakfast.)

PAYMENT: (Circle One) CASH CHECK HAF (CK # _____)

**** Make checks payable to BSA/BAC Troop 339. ****

Parent, can you attend this trip? YES NO
Adult Attending: _____

Adult can drive? YES NO

Number of Scouts that will fit in your vehicle, including your own Scout: _____

E-Mail Address: _____


Best Phone Number to reach the Adult (for trip planning purposes): _____

SPRING 2010 MERIT BADGE MADNESS

MARCH 26-28, 2010

Annapolis Area Christian School

General Guidelines and information

- 1. The Scout Law and Oath are the words of the day.**
- 2. The Class A uniform is the uniform of the day for all Scouts.**
- 3. Troops must bring their own camping gear. Campsites will be assigned upon arrival unless prior arrangements have been made. No ground fires. 12 inches above ground only. Bring water with you.**
- 4. Scouts must bring blue card signed by Scoutmaster. Both side of card filled out.**
- 5. Scouts must have pencil and paper for all classes.**
- 6. Scouts must bring a merit badge book and must have read it before class.**
- 7. Scouts must complete any pre-requisites prior to class to earn merit badge. Scout not completing requirements will receive partial credit for their efforts.**
- 8. Scout should bring a camp stool or chair for outside classes.**
- 9. Some activities and classes are outside. Be aware of the weather forecast. Temperature could be in the 40's – maybe snow. Bring appropriate gear.**
- 10. Quartermaster will provide a Cracker Barrel after campfire.**
- 11. Quartermaster will serve the staff all meals Saturday and Breakfast on Sunday.**
- 12. Trading Post will be in the 4R Trailer. Hours will be posted.**
- 13. The OA  will be on site to conduct call outs.**

14. Brotherhood Ceremony will be conducted.

15. Scoutmaster – check with OA Representative sometime during the day on Saturday to let him know who is in camp that should be called out. Brotherhood conversions will also be done.

16. One Adult Leader will be needed from each Troop for hall monitoring and safety of school and camp grounds on Saturday and Sunday.

17. Senior Patrol Leader - turn in skit or song for campfire to Karen Scheel.

18. No packets will be given out until all classes are completed. Scoutmaster or his Rep is to sign for blue cards and patches.



MERIT BADGE MADNESS

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PRE-REQUISITES/REQUIREMENTS

Scouts wishing to succeed should obtain the merit badge pamphlet, read it and bring it to class.

Scouts must bring a Leader signed blue card (will be handed out Saturday and Sunday morning at the campsite).

In addition, a notebook or paper and a pencil are required

Archery – (Saturday AM & PM & Sunday Morning)

1. Get + read + bring new Archery Merit Badge Pamphlet (color dated 2008)
 2. Bring Leader signed Blue Card
 3. Chair to sit on.
 4. Pencil or pen and paper
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Art – (Sunday Morning)

1. Get + read + bring Art Merit Badge Pamphlet
 2. Bring Leader signed Blue Card
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Auto Mechanics – (Saturday AM & PM)

1. Get + read + bring Auto Mechanics Merit Badge Pamphlet

2. Bring Leader signed Blue Card

3. Wear old clothes

Camping – (Saturday AM & PM)

Get + read + bring Camping Merit Badge Pamphlet

Bring Leader signed Blue Card

All Scouts attempting to complete the camping Merit Badge at this assembly should have completed the following requirements and bring evidence to that effect. 1

Print out the workbook from meritbadge.com and use it to record the pre-reqs shown below

REQUIREMENTS 2, 3, 4, 5a, 5e, 6a, 6d, 7a, 7b, 7c, 8c, 9a, 9b, 9c

In summary scouts should bring to class:

- a. A written statement on “leave no trace” implementation
 - b. A written plan for an overnight hike
 - c. A hand drawn chart of a patrol organization
 - d. A written list of patrol member’s assignments
 - e. Written lists of clothes for winter and summer campouts
 - f. Note from Scoutmaster on pack presentation
 - g. A written check list of personal and patrol gear
 - h. A written menu and food list to purchase for a campout
 - i. A note from the scoutmaster on trail meal cooking
 - j. A written listing when and where camped for 20 days
 - k. A written statement of two camping experiences signed by SM
 - l. A written statement of the conservation project signed by the SM
 - m. Scouts should be 1st class
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Citizenship in the Community – (Saturday AM & PM)

1. Bring Blue Card Signed by your Leader.
2. Get-read-bring Merit Badge book to class.

Requirement #3, A and B.

(Note: I will take a Community Organization meeting for this requirement)

Requirement #4, B.

Requirement #7, A.B.C.

Requirement #8

Citizenship in the Nation – (Saturday AM & PM)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
2. Get + read + bring Citizen in the Nation Merit Badge Pamphlet
3. **Requirement #2** – For the two choices, the scout shall write a paragraph or two answering the “Tell your counselor what you learned” question for each of the two requirements #2 selected made by the scout. The scout should be prepared to read and discuss their selections, if asked.
4. **Requirement #4** – Research the following and be able to discuss them if asked.
 - a. Declaration of Independence
 - b. Preamble to the Constitution
 - c. The Constitution
 - d. Bill of Rights
 - e. Amendments to the Constitution
5. **Requirement #5** – Research the functions of Government in the Preamble of the Constitution and be able to discuss them if called upon.
6. **Requirement #6** – Choose and research speech of national historical importance as called out by requirement #6. The scout should be prepared to discuss their speech selections, and also be able to talk about the speech author, the person who gave the speech, explain the importance of the speech at the time it was given if asked, and tell how it applies to American citizens today.
7. Requirement #8 – Research the Name of your two senators and the member of Congress from your congressional district. Write a letter about a national issue and send it to one of

these elected officials, sharing your view with him or her. Show your letter and any response you receive to your counselor.

Citizenship in the World – (Saturday AM & PM)

Note: This is a complex Eagle-required Merit Badge recommended for Scouts age 13 and older. In order to earn the badge at Merit Badge Madness, these prerequisites **MUST** be completed in advance. We will cover the other requirements in class.

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
2. Get + read + bring Citizenship in the World Merit Badge Pamphlet

Sources: The Internet, public library, your school, teachers, knowledgeable adults, etc. Answers may be written or discussed. **If discussed, must have notes.** Citations (sources, footnotes, etc) are **NOT** required...but the Scout must demonstrate a working knowledge of the topic to receive credit for the requirement.

Requirement 4c: MUST BE COMPLETED IN ADVANCE:

Select **TWO** of the following organizations and describe their role in the world.

1. The United Nations
2. The World Court
3. World Organization of the Scout Movement
4. The World Health Organization
5. Amnesty International
6. The International Committee of the Red Cross
7. CARE

Requirement 7: MUST BE COMPLETED IN ADVANCE

Do **TWO** of the following (with your parent's permission) and share with your counselor what you have learned:

- a. Visit the Web site of the U.S. State Department. Learn more about an issue you find interesting that is discussed on this Web site.
- b. Visit the Web site of an international news organization or foreign government, **OR** examine a foreign newspaper available at your local library, bookstore, or newsstand. Find a news story about a human right realized in the United States that is not

recognized in another country.

- c. Visit with a student or Scout from another country and discuss the typical values, holidays, ethnic foods, and traditions practiced or enjoyed there.
- d. Attend a world Scout jamboree.
- e. Participate in or attend an international event in your area, such as an ethnic festival, concert, or play.

QUESTIONS? Call Bill Glossner, 410-768-1938, or email bill@glossner.net

Communication – (Saturday AM & PM & Sunday Morning)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue card
2. Get + read + bring Communication Merit Badge Pamphlet
3. Requirement 3 – Identify the topic of the 5 minute speech and conduct any research required.
4. Requirement 4 – Interview the person and bring your notes.
5. Requirement 5 – Attend the meeting and bring your notes to class.
6. Requirement 6 – Create and bring to class the teaching aids that you need.
7. Have enough to teach a group of 5
8. Requirement 8 – Plan, get approval and act as Master of Ceremonies for a campfire of Court of Honor. Bring a note from a Troop Leader attesting to the completion of this requirement.

Computers – (Saturday AM & PM)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
2. Get + read + bring Computer Merit Badge Pamphlet (Revision Date 2005)
3. Requirements can be found at <http://www.usscouts.org/mb/mb036.html>
4. Complete: Requirements 2, 3, 6, and 7

5. Scouts who have their own laptops are encouraged to bring them and/or bring a CD or floppy with their pre-reqs on it.
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Crime Prevention – (Sunday Morning)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
 2. Get + read + bring Crime Prevention Badge Pamphlet
 3. Download worksheet, fill out and bring with you
 4. Complete requirements 2, 4, 5, 6, 7
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Crime Prevention

Merit Badge Worksheet

Scout's Name: _____

Unit: _____

1. Discuss the role and value of laws in society with regard to crime and crime prevention. _____

Include in your discussion the definitions of "crime" _____

And "crime prevention." _____

2. Prepare a notebook of newspaper and other clippings that address crime and crime prevention efforts in your community.

3. Discuss the following with your counselor:

a. The role of citizens, including youth, in crime prevention _____

b. Gangs and their impact on the community _____

c. When and how to report a crime _____

4. After doing EACH of the following, discuss with your counselor what you have learned.

a. **Inspect your neighborhood for opportunities that may lead to crime. Learn how to do a crime prevention survey.** _____

b. **Using the checklist in this (the merit badge) pamphlet, conduct a security survey of your home and discuss the results with your family.** _____

5. **Teach your family or patrol members how to protect themselves from crime at home, at school, in your community, and while traveling.** _____

6. **Help raise awareness about one school safety issue facing students by doing ONE of the following:** _____

a. **Create a poster for display on a school bulletin board.** _____

b. **With permission from school officials, create a page long public service announcement that could be read over the public address system at school or posted on the school's Web site.** _____

c. **Make a presentation to a group such as a Cub Scout den that addresses the issue.** _____

7. Do ONE of the following:

a. **Assist in the planning and organization of a crime prevention program in your community such as Neighborhood Watch, Community Watch, or Crime Stoppers. Explain how this program can benefit your neighborhood.** _____

b. **With your parent's and counselor's approval, visit a jail or detention facility or a criminal court hearing. Discuss your experience with your counselor.** _____

8. Discuss the following with your counselor:

a. How drug abuse awareness programs, such as "Drugs: A Deadly Game," help prevent crime _____

b. Why alcohol, tobacco, and marijuana are sometimes called "gateway drugs" and how "gateway drugs" can lead to the use of other drugs _____

c. Three resources in your city where a person with a drug problem or drug-related problem can go for help

d. How the illegal sale and use of drugs lead to other crimes

e. How to recognize child abuse

f. The three R's of Youth Protection

9. Discuss the following with your counselor:

a. The role of a sheriff's or police department in crime prevention.

b. The purpose and operation of agencies in your community that help law enforcement personnel prevent crime, and how those agencies function during emergency situations.

c. Explain the role private security plays in crime prevention.

d. Choose a career in the crime prevention or security industry that interests you.

Describe the level of education required

And responsibilities of a person in that position.

Tell why this position interests you. _____

Electricity – (Saturday AM & PM & Sunday Morning)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
2. Get + read + bring Electricity Merit Badge Pamphlet
NOTE: Look at the terms, requirement #10. We will teach you many terms in the class but you will need to take a verbal test to explain 10 terms in your own words.
3. Complete requirement \$5 – Inspect your house for overloaded and unsafe circuits. Write down what you have done to make sure your home circuits aren't overloaded
4. Complete requirement #8 – Show which fuse or circuit breaker protects each device. Follow the instructions below.

Pick a room in your house, maybe your bedroom. Draw a floor plan of the room and show where each light, switch and outlet is located. Use the symbols shown in the picture below to show their location. Ask one of your parents to work with you to figure out which circuit breaker controls the lights and outlets in the room.

Plug a table lamp into each receptacle, turn the light on. Turn one circuit breaker off at a time to see which one controls the outlet or light. Most circuit breaker panels number the circuits. Write the circuit breaker number or fuse number beside the symbol, which controls the receptacle.

The following is a drawing of my room. The circuit breaker numbers are shown beside the symbols.

5. You will also need some tools to complete the hands on experiments. Please bring the following items.
 - 1 flat blades screwdriver
 - 1 needle nose pliers
 - 1 wire stripper (Optional)
 - 1 personal scout knife

If you do not own these tools try to borrow them from a friends or neighbor.

As you will be working close to each other it is important to review the Totin'Chip rules

Electronics – (Saturday AM & PM & Sunday Morning)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
2. Get + read + bring Electronics Merit Badge Pamphlet.
3. Complete Requirement 6 before coming to class.

Emergency Preparedness – (Saturday AM & PM & Sunday Morning)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
2. Get + read + bring Emergency Preparedness Merit Badge Pamphlet.
3. Requirement 1: Earn First Aid Merit Badge
Note from Scoutmaster or Blue Card is required
4. Complete Requirement 2B-2C
5. Requirement 8. Do the following:
 - a. Prepare a written plan for mobilizing your troop when needed to do emergency service.
If there is a plan, explain it – Tell your part in making it work
 - b. Take part in at least one troop mobilization. Describe your part.
 - c. Show the personal “emergency pack” which you have prepared to be ready for a mobilization call. Show a family kit (suitcase or box) for use by your family in case an emergency evacuation. Explain the need.

Note: Bring suitcase to class or picture

Environment Science – (Saturday AM & PM & Sunday Morning)

*****This badge is recommended for Scouts ages 14 and older; younger Scouts do not have the science background needed to be able to complete this badge in such a short time. *****

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
2. Scouts are expected to obtain and read a copy of the Environmental Science Merit Badge book prior to coming to Merit Badge Madness. Detailed information on all the following prerequisites is in the merit badge book. Bring the merit badge book as it will also be needed for some of the class work to be performed during the weekend.

Please note: The requirements listed below as Prerequisites will be signed off at Merit Badge Madness (MBM) if completed ahead of time, but class time will be set aside for working on them. Every effort will be made to enable Scouts to complete this badge in the time allotted. However, it is not as easy a badge, and will require significant effort on the part of the Scout. Expect to spend at least 60 minutes outside of class time doing field observations (including after dinner on Saturday, and before classes on Sunday morning).

#1. Make a timeline of the history of environment science in America. Identify the contribution made by the Boy Scouts of America to environmental science. Include dates, names of people or organizations, and important events. Bring your timeline to MBM.

#3(e). Do ONE of the following, and bring your report with you to MBM:

- Do research on one endangered species found in your state. Find out what its natural habitat is, why it is endangered, what is being done to preserve it, and how many individual organisms are left in the wild. Prepare a 100-word report about the organism, using at least four different references in your search information; include a drawing or photograph of the organism.
- Do research on one species that was endangered or threatened but which has now recovered. (The species does not have to be native to your state.) Find out how the organism recovered, and what its new status is. Write a 100-word report on the species, including a drawing or photograph of the species.

#4. Build an ecosystem in a bottle. Include soil, plants, fungi, and small animals found in your local environment. Maintain the ecosystem for one week. Observe it daily, and keep a record of your observations. (Note: detailed instructions for this project are on page 19 of the Environment Science Merit Badge book.) Bring the ecosystem and your notebook with you to MBM.

Begin requirement #7 by thinking up a project that would help solve an environmental problem, reduce an environmental impact, or affect environmental awareness in your community. At MBM you will discuss your project with the counselor and work on the remainder of this requirement. If you like, you may bring supplies to use in preparing the poster

or pamphlet (see page 88 in the Merit Badge book).

#8. Be prepared to discuss three possible careers in the field of environmental science. Identify the education that you would need to pursue ONE of these careers. (It is suggested that you write down this information and bring it with you.)

Scouts should bring the following with them to Merit Badge Madness:

- Notebook and pens/pencils
 - Completed prerequisites (see above)
 - Colored pencils and/or markers for marking the poster for requirement #7 (optional)
 - A folding chair or ground pad for use during field observations
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Fingerprinting – (Sunday Morning)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
 2. Get + read + bring Fingerprinting Merit Badge Pamphlet.
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Fire Safety – (Saturday AM & PM)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
 2. Get + read + bring Fire Safety Merit Badge Pamphlet
 3. Complete requirements 6A and bring to class
 4. Complete requirement 12 and bring to class.
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First Aid – (Saturday AM & PM & Sunday Morning)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
2. Get + read + bring First Aid Merit Badge Pamphlet
3. Requirement 1 – Must be First Class Scout.
4. Requirement 2a **Bring first aid kit to class**

5. Requirement 3C If Scout has completed a CPR course, he should have his CPR card or a note from the Scoutmaster
 6. Requirement 7 If Scout has taught First Aid to another Scout (s), he should bring a note from the Scoutmaster
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Forestry – (Saturday AM & PM)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
2. Get + read + bring Forestry Merit Badge Pamphlet
3. Bring notebook and pen/pencil to complete Requirement 1
4. Bring book of trees
5. Requirement 1, 2 and 5 will be completed out side.
6. Complete requirement 7
7. A test will be given.

Be prepared for all kinds of weather – inside and out

NOTE: Scouts **MUST** have a notebook and pen/pencil in order to complete Req #. Also, we will be outdoors much of the time in order to complete Req #1, 2 and 5. Be prepared for the weather. The badge will be all day, or at least well into the afternoon.

Genealogy – (Saturday PM)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
 2. Get + read + bring Genealogy Merit Badge Pamphlet
 3. Do requirements #3, 4b and 5 and bring with you.
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Mammals – (Sunday AM)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
 2. Get + read + bring Mammals Merit Badge Pamphlet
 3. Do Requirements 3c and 4c
 4. Dress for weather – wear hiking boots and jeans
We will do a conservation project in damp and muddy terrain.
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Oceanography – (Sunday Morning)

“Download & complete the Oceanography Workbook”

District Website 4RDWEBMASTER@CRWFLAGS.COM

- ... all questions must be completed before they arrive
- ... ‘work sheets’ from meritbadge.com may not be accepted for this event
- ... Scouts, parents & Leaders can email questions to bgroff_mbc@yahoo.com

“Follow the Directions to Success”

Bring with you to class

Photography - (Saturday AM & PM)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
 2. Get + read + bring Photography Merit Badge Pamphlet.
 3. Complete Requirement 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
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Plumbing – (Saturday AM & PM)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.

2. Get + read + bring Plumbing Merit Badge Pamphlet.
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Public Speaking – (Saturday AM & PM)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
 2. Get + read + bring Public Speaking Merit Badge Pamphlet.
 3. Additional requirements to follow
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Radio – (Saturday AM & PM)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
 2. Get + read + bring Radio Merit Badge Pamphlet
 3. Complete requirements 3 and 6
 4. **This will be a field trip – needs to pack a lunch.**
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Railroading – (Saturday AM & PM)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
 2. Get + read + bring Railroading Merit Badge Pamphlet
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Skating – (Sunday Morning) weather permitting

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
 2. Get + read + bring Skating Merit Badge Pamphlet
 3. Bring helmet and skates
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Space Exploration – (Saturday AM & PM)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
 2. Get + read + bring Space Exploration Merit Badge Pamphlet
 3. Build and bring a rocket ready to launch to the event
 4. Complete requirements #2, 3 and 5B and bring with you
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Traffic Safety – (Saturday AM)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
 2. Get + read + bring Traffic Safety Merit Badge Pamphlet
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Truck Transportation - (Saturday AM & PM)

1. Bring Leader signed Blue Card.
 2. Get + read + bring Truck Transportation Merit Badge Pamphlet
 3. List the major truck lines serving your town.
 4. Visit a truck terminal and complete items 4a through 4c
 - a. Find out what kind of maintenance program the company follows to help keep its fleet, drivers, and the roadway safe.
 - b. Find out how dispatchers maintain communication with drivers on the road.
 - c. Talk with a professional truck driver about safety. Learn about the truck driver's rules of the road for safe driving. List five safe-driving rules every professional truck driver must follow.
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