

Trail to First Class Program **CHANGED**

The program is designed to immerse new Scouts in the Scouting program and help them walk the path to Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class. The Trail to First Class program meets at a base location everyday but will adventure beyond it to help scouts learn about all the cool things there are to do at Read. One day will even be spent going on a field trip to other camps. The Trail to First Class Program runs for 3 hours each day from 9:00am - 12:00pm to give the scouts structured time to develop their skills.

- First Aid
- Fire Building and Safety (Firem'n Chit)
- Map and Compass Skills
- Tree and Plant Identification
- Instructional Swim
- Knots and Lashings
- Cooking Safety (NEW)
- Totin' Chip & Much more!

As this course runs only in the AM; the Scouts are free to take merit badges after lunch.

Trail to First Class program participants may still attend afternoon Merit Badge classes. The following MB classes are available and recommended for them:

- Archery
- Art / Fingerprinting
- Astronomy
- Basketry
- Chess
- Fishing
- Leatherwork
- Mammal Study / Nature
- Reptile & Amphibian
- Weather

Scouts who are only missing a few requirements to rank up do not need to sign up for the full week of Trail to First Class. The Trail to First Class staff will be happy to work on individual requirements with Scouts during open program time.

Adult Training Opportunities

The following training may be available to Leaders during summer camp:

- Aquatics Supervision
- Leave No Trace Discussion
- Safety Afloat
- Safe Swim Defense
- CPR ~ most weeks

Online registration will be available April 1st. Please indicate interest in all the training courses that you would like to take. Times will be announced on arrival day; courses will only be scheduled if there were online sign-ups indicating interest in them.

**Make sure to read the monthly CSR Newsletters for additional Training opportunities that may be available during your particular week of camp! We are working to secure trainers for First Aid, etc.*

Scoutmaster Merit Badge ~ revamped in 2025!

Adult leaders who are looking to explore camp, meet the staff, demonstrate scout spirit, and volunteer to help should check out our **Scoutmaster Merit Badge**. By completing a small checklist provided by the Program Director, Scoutmasters and Adult Leaders can participate in their own program and earn this coveted patch! Information will be distributed at the Sunday Leaders' Meeting.