

Troop 648 – Camp Geronimo 2012

It is time to start thinking about **Merit Badge selections for Camp Geronimo**. Please use the attached sheet to make your selections. For those that were not able to attend the parent meeting on April 3, below are some general guidelines to assist in making your selections:

- 1) Your son should try to select Merit Badges that he will find interesting and that he does not already have. Please double check your records; we don't want to accident sign up to take a badge for the second time.
- 2) Please note the mandatory age requirements for:
 - a. Canoeing – 13 years (Minimum)
 - b. Climbing – 13 years (Minimum)
 - c. Metalwork – 14 years (Minimum)

These are the camp's rules and they do not allow for exceptions.

- 3) **Please select your top SIX (6) choices.** You may select from any of the merit badges listed in the left column AND/OR the merit badge "Nature Blocks" in the right column. It is important to select your top six; occasionally a class will get filled up OR you may have two selections that conflict. I will try my best to get your top choices, but having six will provide some fall-back options.
- 4) There are four Merit Badge periods at camp. I will aim to sign your son up for THREE (3) classes, giving him (in most cases) one free period. While I recommend this free period to give your son some breathing room while at camp, if he absolutely wants four classes, please note that on your sign up form and I will try to make that happen.
- 5) The five sections in the lower right corner of the form are EXTRA PROGRAMS. If these are areas that your son is interested in, you are free to note that on the form. However, these are not regular classes and should not be part of your SIX choices above.

Please return this completed form to Mr. Benyi as soon as you can, but no later than **April 17, 2012**. It is also acceptable to email me a list of your choices if you prefer.

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If this is your son's first time to Camp Geronimo, or to Summer Camp in general, you may have questions beyond what we covered in the meeting. Please do not hesitate to ask any questions that you might have; I can give advice on classes to consider for 1st year scouts, 2nd year scouts, etc.

Camp Geronimo Merit Badge Program Sign-Up Sheet

Troop #	Session:	Site:	
Scout Name:	Age:	Scout Rank:	
Scoutmaster (at camp)			
Address:	City:	ST:	Zip:

Minimum Age Requirements Reminder

Canoeing - 13

Climbing- 13

Metalwork - 14

Listed below are the merit badges offered at Camp Geronimo and their length of time.

5. Please choose your top six (6) choices and your Scoutmaster and the camp staff will do everything he can to give you as many of your top choices as possible.
6. Please number your choices (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6).

Merit Badges

Choice	Time	Merit Badge
		Archery
		Astronomy
		Basketry
		Bird Study
		Canoeing
		Climbing
		Cooking
		Environ. Science
		First Aid
		Horsemanship
		Indian Lore / Archeology (Block Merit Badge)
		Leatherwork
		Lifesaving
		Metalwork
		Orienteering
		Pioneering
		Pottery
		Reptile & Amph. Study
		Rifle Opt A (22 cal.)
		Rifle Opt C (Muzzleloading)
		Rowing
		Salesmanship
		Space Explor.
		Swimming
		Weather
		Wilderness Survival
		Wood Carving

Nature Area Merit Badge Blocks

Choice	Area	Merit Badge 1/ 2
	Block A	Mammal Study / Fish & Wildlife Mgt
	Block B	Nature / Forestry
	Block C	Forestry / Fish & Wildlife Mgt
	Block D	Geology / Soil & Water Cons
	Block E	Insect Study / Geology
	Block F	Insect Study / Nature

Merit Badges by Appointment Only

Sign Up for these Merit Badges Monday at the
Outdoor Skills Area

	Camping
	Hiking
	Backpacking
	Geocaching

Other Activities

Sign Up for these activities Monday at the Pool

	Mile Swim BSA
	Snorkeling BSA
	Kayaking BSA

Older Scout Activities

	Spade Ranch
	BSA Life Guard

Sign up for this activity Monday at the Range

	NRA Shoot
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Youth Leader Training

Sign up for training Monday at the Pool

	Swim & Water Rescue
	Watercraft Safety

Duplicate as Needed