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# Trail to Eagle – A Success Oriented Plan



To complete the 21 Merit Badge requirement for Eagle rank, the following schedule would fulfill that requirement in 4 years.

This is most certainly **NOT** an expectation or recommendation. This is only an example of how a Scout *could* complete the Eagle merit badge requirements by doing two badges each year plus three at summer camp.

**R** = Required for Eagle

**E** = Elective

The 'Time' is a practical estimate of how long it should take a Scout to complete the Merit Badge.

No.	Merit Badge	R/E	Time	Notes
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>				
1	Camping	R 1	2 Years	Start immediately on joining a Troop
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>				
2		E	1 Week	Summer Camp 1 <sup>st</sup> year
3		E	1 Week	Summer Camp 1 <sup>st</sup> year
4	Hiking or Swimming or Cycling	R 2	4 Months	Start at spring break, finish before summer camp
<b>7<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>				
5	First Aid	R 3	1 Week	Summer Camp 2 <sup>nd</sup> year
6		E	1 Week	Summer Camp 2 <sup>nd</sup> year
7		E	1 Week	Summer Camp 2 <sup>nd</sup> year
8	Citizenship in the Community	R 4	3 Months	Start with school, finish before Christmas break
9	Communications	R 5	2 Months	Start after Christmas, finish by spring break
10	Family Life	R 6	4 Months	Start at spring break, finish before summer camp
<b>8<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>				
11	Personal Fitness	R 7	1 Year	Prepare for high adventure treks
12		E	1 Year	Prepare for high adventure treks
13	Environmental Science	R 8	1 Week	Summer Camp 3 <sup>rd</sup> year
14		E	1 Week	Summer Camp 3 <sup>rd</sup> year
15		E	1 Week	Summer Camp 3 <sup>rd</sup> year
16	Citizenship in the Nation	R 9	3 Months	start with school, finish before Christmas break
17	Personal Management	R 10	4 Months	start at spring break, finish before summer camp
<b>9<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>				
18	Lifesaving or Emergency Prep	R 11	1 Week	Summer Camp 4 <sup>th</sup> year
19		E	1 Week	Summer Camp 4 <sup>th</sup> year
20		E	1 Week	Summer Camp 4 <sup>th</sup> year
21	Citizenship in the World	R 12	3 Months	Start with school, finish before Christmas break

Depending on what Merit Badges are offered at summer camp, these would be good ones to choose based on the instructor skills and equipment needed, Scout abilities needed, and fun factor.

1st year camp Merit Badges: Art, Basketry, Fishing, Leatherwork, Woodcarving, Nature, Pottery, Sculpture

2nd year camp Merit Badges: Archery, Canoeing, Climbing, Indian Lore, Orienteering, Canoeing, Rowing, Sailing, Wilderness Survival

3rd year camp Merit Badges: Pioneering, Rifle Shooting, Shotgun Shooting, Fly fishing

Additional Merit Badges may be listed here.

22		1	<b>Bronz Palm</b>
23		2	
24		3	
25		4	
26		5	
27		1	<b>Gold Palm</b>
28		2	
29		3	
30		4	
31		5	
32		1	<b>Silver Palm</b>
33		2	
34		3	
35		4	
36		5	
37		1	
38		2	
39		3	
40		4	
41		5	
42		1	
43		2	
44		3	
45		4	
46		5	
47		1	
48		2	
49		3	
50		4	
51		5	