

Forest Preserve District of DuPage County

# Scout Merit Badge Program 2018–2019

Hey, Scouts, add a different badge to your sash the second Saturday of each month September – June. These fun, hands-on programs are for ages 10 – 17 and are \$30 per Scout per program.

Most have requirements Scouts must complete in advance and turn in at the program. To check out prerequisites or register, visit [dupageforest.org](http://dupageforest.org), click “Registration & Permits” and enter 14922 in the search box. **Questions?** Call Fullersburg Woods Nature Education Center at **630-850-8110**.



➤ **Bird Study** 14493

**Sept. 8 • 9 a.m. – Noon**  
**Willowbrook Wildlife Center**

Learn about bird anatomy and identification — including bird calls — and how to use binoculars and field guides.



➤ **Fish and Wildlife** 14496

**Oct. 13 • 9 a.m. – Noon**  
**Fullersburg Woods Nature Education Center**

Investigate how ecologists manage wildlife in DuPage County's urban environment, and participate in a project to help wild animals that live in the forest preserves.



➤ **Mammal Study** 14497

**Nov. 10 • 9 a.m. – Noon**  
**Willowbrook Wildlife Center**

Spend time in the prairie and woods learning about mammals and the features that distinguish them from other animals.



➤ **Geology** 14498

**Dec. 8 • 9 a.m. – Noon**  
**Fullersburg Woods Nature Education Center**  
Explore the world of minerals, rocks and fossils of northeastern Illinois.



➤ **Weather** 14499

**Jan. 12 • 9 a.m. – Noon**  
**Fullersburg Woods Nature Education Center**

Learn how to predict the weather through activities and projects, and explore thunderstorms, tornadoes, hurricanes and other extreme conditions.



➤ **Snow Sports** 14500

**Feb. 9 • 9 a.m. – Noon**  
**Fullersburg Woods Nature Education Center**

Learn about snowshoeing, snow safety, responsible recreation, and fitness, and then complete a 2-mile snowshoe hike.



➤ **Animal Science** 14501

**March 9 • 9 a.m. – Noon • Kline Creek Farm**  
At this working 1890s living history farm, learn the merits and uses of heritage and other livestock breeds and discuss proper planning and management.



➤ **Archery** 14503

**April 13 • 9 a.m. – Noon • Churchill**  
Learn the basics of using a bow and arrow and the proper techniques for shooting a compound bow.



➤ **Plant Science** 14505

**May 18 (third Saturday of May) • 9 a.m. – Noon**  
**Fullersburg Woods Nature Education Center**  
Explore the science of plants through hands-on activities and experiments.



➤ **Kayaking** 14506

**June 8 • 9 a.m. – Noon • Hidden Lake**  
Learn boating safety, the parts of a kayak and how to properly paddle while earning your merit badge and kayaking BSA award.

