BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®
Northern New Jersey Council

Citizenship in Society Merit Badge Counselor Attestation of Understanding.

To qualify as a merit badge counselor for Citizenship in Society, you must:

• Be at least 18 years of age.

• Be proficient in the merit badge subject by vocation, avocation, or special training.

• Be able to work with scout aged youth

• Attach your current Youth Protection Certificate.

• Complete Merit Badge Counselor training and attach certificate. Merit Badge Counselor Training - Boy Scouts of America, Northern New Jersey Council (nnjbsa.org)

• Complete BSA Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion training (SCO-1800) and attach your certificate.

This course can be located within your my.scouting Account.

• First time applicants must attach a completed Boy Scouts of America Adult Application. Per BSA National Policy: Include a completed Adult Leader Application if you are not currently approved as a Merit Badge Counselor. (Keep a copy of this application for your records.)

Boy Scouts of America Membership ID Number_____ Unit Number_____

Name:_____

Address: _____ City: _____ ZIP_____

Email Address at Which Scouts Can Contact You_____

Phone Number at Which Scouts Can Contact You_____

Alternate Phone Number at Which Scouts Can Contact You: _____

In what language(s) are you comfortable teaching Merit Badges: _____

As a Merit Badge Counselor for Citizenship in Society, I Agree:

• That I have read and understand the Citizenship in Society Merit Badge Counselor Guide located at

Citizenship in Society Merit Badge - filestore.scouting.org

• That I will provide a safe space for Scouts to discuss the topics of the merit badge.

 • That I will be a good and careful listener, encouraging the Scout to speak and lead the conversation.

• That I will participate in surveys and in other ways help to ensure this merit badge is delivered well for Scouts.

• Follow the requirements of the merit badge, making no deletions or additions, and ensure that the advancement standards are fair and uniform for all Scouts.

• Ensure Youth Protection Guidelines in all merit badge instructional sessions, involving parents and other adults as needed.

• Renew my registration annually and be certified with Youth Protection if I plan to continue as a merit badge counselor.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

All Paper work must be submitted to the Council office for processing before you can begin with this badge.