

Insect Study Merit Badge Programs

Are you working on your Insect Study Merit Badge? If so, we have the programs for you. You can choose one or all three of these after-school programs.

Intro to Insects

This after-school program will introduce you to the amazing and fascinating world of insects. This introductory class is great for scouts who are just beginning their Insect Study Merit Badge. By observing some of our insect collection, we will learn how to distinguish insects from other invertebrates, what part insects play in local food chains and much more. This program will help scouts to complete requirements: 1, 2, 6, 8, 9 and 11

S1009II Thursday, October 9 4:30 p.m. -6:30 p.m.
Cost: \$10 per scout
Maximum: 60 scouts

Insect Orders C-E

Scouts will dive into the world of classification and identification. We will take an in-depth look at the orders: Coleoptera, Dermaptera, Diptera, and Ephemeroptera. We will learn how to identify these orders, provide ideas where to find them in the wild and learn cool facts about some of the families within these orders. This program will help scouts to complete requirement 4.

S1016CE Thursday, October 16 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Cost: \$10 per scout
Maximum: 60 scouts

Insect Orders H-O

Scouts will continue their study of classification and identification with orders Hemiptera, Homoptera, Hymenoptera, Lepidoptera, and Odonata. We will focus on key features of each order and a few common families within these orders. We will conclude this series by providing tips on how to create your insect collection. This program will help scouts to compete requirement 4.

SO1023HO Thursday, October 23 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Cost: \$10 per scout
Maximum: 60 scouts

For registration questions please contact the Saint Louis Zoo Education Department at (314) 646-4544 Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or e-mail at educationquestions@stlzoo.org.

For more information about this program please contact Keri Lanning, Overnight Programs Coordinator at (314) 646-4614 or email me at lanning@stlzoo.org.

