



50-State Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk

A reference for councils and unit leaders preparing school-partnership conversations

This resource gives every council a one-page, state-specific starting point for showing school leaders how Cub Scout Adventures and Scouts BSA merit badges and programs reinforce what their state already requires students to learn. The Cub Scout and Scouts BSA columns are the same on every page — both are national programs — the left-hand column is what changes state to state. An eighth row, Leadership & Service, covers Scouting's Positions of Responsibility, National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT), and the Order of the Arrow alongside each state's service-learning and graduate-competency policies.

How to use this

- Find your state's page and use it as background for a Join Scouting Night conversation with a principal, superintendent, or curriculum office — it isn't meant to be handed over as-is.
- Every state's STEM, ELA, Civics & Government, Financial Literacy, and Environmental Science rows now name the actual state standards documents and, where they exist, the specific statutes or tests behind graduation requirements. Health & PE and Character rows remain general category descriptions. Requirements and standards names still change over time — confirm current details with your own curriculum contacts before quoting them to a district.
- Requirements change frequently — several states below are actively phasing in new civics and financial-literacy mandates over the next few years. Verify current details with your state's department of education before a meeting.
- Social studies standards are under active revision in several states as of September 2026: Oklahoma (a formal review triggered by an Oklahoma Supreme Court ruling), Maine (the legislature sent the proposed 2024 standards back for revision), Idaho (revised K-12 standards are scheduled to go before the State Board and Legislature in 2026), South Carolina (a new standards-writing committee was organized in November 2025), and Wyoming (a review process began in late 2025). Councils in these five states should double-check the Civics & Government citation below before using it in a meeting.
- Email NtLMembershipEngagement@scouting.org if you want an editable copy or see something that needs updating.

Sources

Financial literacy status: Four Gifts Publishing 50-state tracker, compiling the Next Gen Personal Finance (NGPF) Live U.S. Dashboard and the Council for Economic Education's 2026 Survey of the States (data current through June 2026). Civics status: Hoover Institution, "State Civics Requirements In 2024," cross-checked against state education agencies and legislation for verified states. Standards names for verified states: confirmed directly against each state department of education. Scouting program structure: Scouting America (scouting.org) Cub Scout Adventure and Scouts BSA merit badge program pages.

Verification status: all 50 states have been individually verified against official state standards documents and statutes, with specific standards names and civics/financial-literacy citations. The Health & PE and Character rows remain general category descriptions across all states, since Scouting's alignment there does not hinge on a state's exact standards title.

Leadership & Service row status: all 50 states have been individually researched for statewide service-learning graduation mandates and Portrait/Profile of a Graduate adoption. Unlike the rows above, "no statewide requirement identified" was the single most common finding — most states leave service hours and graduate-competency frameworks to individual districts. Roughly 20 states have adopted some form of statewide Portrait/Profile of a Graduate, and a smaller handful (Maryland, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and a few others) have an actual statewide service-hour or service-participation graduation mandate; the rest carry a clear "no state mandate" finding rather than a research gap.



Alabama

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Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Alabama Course of Study: Mathematics and Alabama Course of Study: Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Students must pass a 60-question civics test based on the U.S. naturalization exam, as part of the required Government course (Ala. Code §16-40-10, in effect since 2017–18); the redesigned 2024 Alabama Course of Study: Social Studies (effective 2026–27) now teaches civics across grades 6–9.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: dedicated Personal Financial Literacy and Money Management course required for the Class of 2028 (HB 164, 2023; Ala. Code §16-40-12); may fulfill a math credit.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Alabama Course of Study: English Language Arts (adopted 2021)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Alabama Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Alabama Course of Study: Science, life science and earth/space content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Alabama social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-learning or Portrait of a Graduate requirement identified; graduation is governed by the Alabama Course of Study and College and Career Readiness Indicators, with any service or leadership expectations set locally.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Alaska

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Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Alaska English/Language Arts and Mathematics Content Standards (2012); Science Standards of Alaska (2019), including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — No statewide civics course or test requirement for high school graduation; Alaska's social studies content standards address civics and government, but implementation is left to districts.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — No statewide personal finance course or standards requirement.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Alaska English/Language Arts and Mathematics Content Standards (2012)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Alaska Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Science Standards of Alaska (2019), life science and earth/space content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Alaska social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-learning credit requirement or Portrait of a Graduate; Alaska Statutes describe a broad purpose of education (values, character) but do not define specific graduate competencies.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Arizona

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Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Arizona Academic Standards for Mathematics and Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Arizona's American Civics Act (2015, HB 2064) was the first law of its kind nationally; students must pass a civics test (70/100, based on the U.S. naturalization exam) under Arizona's social studies competency requirements (A.R.S. §15-701.01).	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Embedded; personal finance content delivered within required economics coursework; state social studies standards also mandate personal finance content (A.R.S. §15-701.01).	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Arizona Academic Standards for English Language Arts	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Arizona Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Arizona Academic Standards for Science; Arizona History and Social Science Standards	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Arizona social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour or Portrait of a Graduate requirement identified; some individual districts (e.g., Santa Cruz Valley Unified) have adopted their own local graduate-profile frameworks that name civic engagement.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Arkansas

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Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Arkansas Academic Standards for Mathematics and Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — A 0.5-credit Civics course and passage of the Arkansas Civics Exam are required for graduation, under Arkansas's C3 Framework-aligned Social Studies Academic Standards.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Embedded: personal and family finance standards required within the 0.5-credit Economics and Personal Finance course, since the 2017–18 freshman class (Acts 480 and 466).	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Arkansas Academic Standards for English Language Arts	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Arkansas Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Arkansas Academic Standards for Science	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Arkansas social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — Arkansas Code Annotated §6-16-1901 (enacted under the LEARNS Act, Act 237 of 2023) requires students in the graduating Class of 2026–27 and beyond to complete 75 clock hours of documented community service in grades 9–12 to graduate — one of a small number of states with an actual statewide community-service graduation mandate.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



California

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Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — California Common Core State Standards for Mathematics; California Next Generation Science Standards (CA NGSS), including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — A one-semester American Government and Civics course is required as part of California's 3-year social studies graduation requirement (Education Code §51225.3).	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: semester personal finance course becomes a graduation requirement beginning with the Class of 2030–31 (AB 2927, 2024; Ed. Code §51225.3).	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — California Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts/Literacy	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — California Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — California Next Generation Science Standards (CA NGSS), life science and Earth/space content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across California social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour mandate; California is notable for widespread district-level adoption of Portrait of a Graduate frameworks (100+ districts per the Scaling Student Success network), though there is no state requirement.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Colorado

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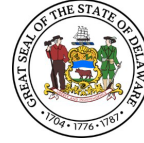
Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Colorado Academic Standards for Mathematics and Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — One course in Civics — covering Colorado and U.S. history plus state and federal government — is required under the Colorado Academic Standards graduation requirements.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: course requirement recently enacted and phasing in (HB25-1192, 2025); must meet Colorado Academic Standards for personal financial literacy.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Colorado Academic Standards for Reading, Writing and Communicating	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Colorado Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Colorado Academic Standards for Science	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Colorado social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour mandate; Colorado permits districts to use a capstone or portfolio “demonstration” (which may include service) as one of several state-approved options for meeting graduation requirements.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Connecticut

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Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Connecticut Core Standards for Mathematics; Next Generation Science Standards (adopted statewide), including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — The Connecticut Elementary and Secondary Social Studies Standards, aligned to the C3 Framework, embed civics and citizenship instruction K–12.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: half-credit course covering banking, investing, saving, and credit/debit use, required for the Class of 2027 (SB 1165 / PA 23-21, 2023).	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Connecticut Core Standards for English Language Arts & Literacy	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Connecticut Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Next Generation Science Standards (Connecticut), life science and Earth/space content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Connecticut social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — Connecticut law (Conn. Gen. Stat. §10-221a(h)) authorizes, but does not require, districts to award a half-credit toward graduation for 50 hours of supervised community service plus 10 hours of related classroom instruction; many Connecticut districts choose to make this a local graduation requirement.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Delaware

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Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Delaware State Content Standards for Mathematics; Delaware has adopted the Next Generation Science Standards, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Delaware's State Content Standards for Social Studies (14 DE Admin. Code 501) cover civics, economics, geography, and history K–12, though the state sets no standalone civics course or test graduation requirement.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: at least a half-credit course required for the Class of 2030 (HB 203, 2025), aligned to Delaware's K–12 Financial Literacy Standards (approved 2018).	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Delaware State Content Standards for English Language Arts/Literacy	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Delaware Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Delaware's Next Generation Science Standards, life science and Earth/space content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Delaware social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-learning or Portrait of a Graduate requirement identified.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Florida

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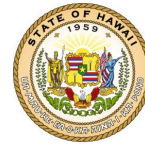
Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — B.E.S.T. Standards for Mathematics; Next Generation Sunshine State Standards (NGSSS) for Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Florida law requires a semester of civics education before high school, assessed by a statewide Civics End-of-Course exam in middle school (NGSSS Social Studies, Civics & Government strand).	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: half-credit course required for the Class of 2027 (Dorothy L. Hukill Financial Literacy Act, SB 1054, 2022; §1003.4282).	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — B.E.S.T. Standards for English Language Arts	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Florida Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Next Generation Sunshine State Standards (NGSSS) for Science, Life Science and Earth & Space Science Big Ideas	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Florida social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour graduation requirement; Florida instead ties community service to scholarship eligibility — the Florida Bright Futures Academic Scholars award requires 100 volunteer hours (a scholarship, not a diploma, requirement) — and individual districts (e.g., Broward County) set their own local graduation service-learning mandates.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers

Georgia



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Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Georgia's K-12 Standards for Mathematics (2023); Georgia Standards of Excellence (GSE) for Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — GSE Social Studies includes a Government/Civic Understandings strand at every K–5 grade; high school graduation requires 3 social studies credits including civics/government content.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: half-credit Personal Financial Literacy and Economics course required for the Class of 2028 (SB 220, 2022; §20-2-149.4); may count toward math, social studies, or elective credit.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Georgia's K-12 Standards for English Language Arts (2025)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Georgia Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Georgia Standards of Excellence (GSE) for Science, Life Science and Earth Science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Georgia social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour or Portrait of a Graduate requirement identified; Georgia supports competency-based education through a state grant program, but this does not itself name leadership or service competencies.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Hawaii

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STEM — Hawai'i Common Core Standards for Mathematics; Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS), adopted statewide, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — No statewide standalone civics course or test requirement; the Hawai'i Core Standards for Social Studies (HCSST), C3 Framework-aligned, embed civics, history, geography, and economics content K–12.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: financial literacy required for graduation beginning the 2026–27 school year.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Hawai'i Common Core Standards for English Language Arts	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Hawaii Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Next Generation Science Standards (Hawai'i), life science and Earth/space content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Hawaii social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — Hawaii is among a set of states with a statewide Portrait of a Graduate framework (per a 2024–25 multi-organization scan of state graduate portraits); no statewide service-hour mandate identified, though Hawaii's graduation framework emphasizes “globally competitive and locally committed” General Learner Outcomes.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Idaho

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Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Idaho Content Standards for Mathematics and Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Idaho requires 2 credits of Government within its 5-credit Social Studies graduation requirement, plus a civics and government proficiency requirement (Idaho Code §33-1602) met through a civics test or an approved alternate path — a full-year course and test, per Hoover Institution's 2024 analysis. Note: revised Social Studies standards are scheduled to go before the State Board and Legislature in 2026.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Embedded: financial literacy standards delivered within required economics coursework.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Idaho Content Standards for English Language Arts/Literacy (adopted 2022)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Idaho Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Idaho Content Standards for Science, life science and earth/space content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Idaho social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour mandate identified; Idaho requires a Senior Project (research, experiential learning, and presentation) for graduation, and beginning with the Class of 2028, a Future Readiness Project — both build the initiative and presentation skills relevant to leadership development, though neither is service-specific.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers

Illinois



Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Illinois Learning Standards for Mathematics (Common Core-based) and Science (Next Generation Science Standards), including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Illinois requires a one-semester Civics course for graduation (Public Act 99-434, effective for the 2016–17 freshman cohort), covering government institutions, civic discussion, service learning, and simulations of democratic process; students must also pass a longstanding state constitution/Declaration of Independence exam (105 ILCS 5/27-3, 27-4).	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standards/offering: long-standing consumer education requirement that may be met within other coursework; no statewide standalone course.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Illinois Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Illinois Learning Standards for Science, life and earth/space content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Illinois social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No separate statewide service-hour mandate; Illinois's civics law (Public Act 99-434) requires the mandatory semester Civics course to include a service-learning component, and the Illinois School Code (Section 27-22.3) permits, but does not require, districts to run their own service-credit programs (some districts, such as Chicago Public Schools, set their own hour-based requirements).	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Indiana

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Indiana Academic Standards for Mathematics and Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Indiana Academic Standards for Social Studies include a stand-alone Grade 6 Civics standard alongside History, Geography, and Economics; the Core 40 diploma requires 6 social studies credits.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: personal financial responsibility course required for the Class of 2028 (SB 35, 2023).	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Indiana Academic Standards for English Language Arts	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Indiana Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Indiana Academic Standards for Science, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Indiana social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — Indiana's Graduation Pathways framework names Service-Based Learning as one of several state-recognized pathway options, backed by published K–12 Service Learning Standards for Quality Practice; the state's new diploma (approved December 2024, phasing in through 2028–29) offers optional Readiness Seals for demonstrated Communication, Collaboration, and Work Ethic. Indiana is also among the states with a statewide Portrait of a Graduate framework.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers

Iowa



Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Iowa Core Mathematics; Iowa Core Science Standards, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Iowa requires students in grades 9–12 to pass a civics test based on the U.S. naturalization exam (Senate File 369), administered alongside the Iowa Social Studies Standards' U.S. History and Civics content.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: half-unit financial literacy course required for graduation since the Class of 2023 (HF 420, 2020).	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Iowa Literacy Standards (Iowa Academic Standards for ELA & Literacy)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Iowa Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Iowa Core Science Standards, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Iowa social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour mandate or confirmed statewide Portrait of a Graduate identified; Iowa supports competency-based education through a state grant program and guidance that some districts use to build their own graduate-competency frameworks.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Kansas

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Kansas College and Career Ready Standards for Mathematics (Common Core-based) and Science (NGSS), including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — No statewide civics course or test requirement for high school graduation; civics content is embedded in the Kansas Social Studies Standards.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: half-credit personal finance course required for the Class of 2027.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Kansas College and Career Ready Standards for English Language Arts	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Kansas Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Kansas Science standards (NGSS), life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Kansas social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — Kansas is among a set of states with a statewide Portrait of a Graduate framework (per a 2024–25 multi-organization scan of state graduate portraits); no statewide service-hour mandate identified.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Kentucky

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Kentucky Academic Standards for Mathematics and Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Since July 2018, Kentucky has required students to pass a 100-question civics test (60% passing); HB 535 (2024) lets students entering 9th grade in 2025–26 and after instead complete a half-credit civic literacy course (KRS 158.141).	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: dedicated personal finance course required for the Class of 2029 (HB 342, 2025), replacing a prior embedded requirement.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Kentucky Academic Standards for Reading & Writing	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Kentucky Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Kentucky Academic Standards for Science, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Kentucky social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — The Kentucky Department of Education has adopted the Portrait of the Learner (PoL), a statewide framework identifying the skills students need before leaving school — including being an engaged citizen, critical thinker, effective communicator, empowered learner, creative contributor, and productive collaborator; no statewide service-hour mandate identified.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Louisiana

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Louisiana Student Standards for Mathematics and Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Louisiana requires a full-year Civics course, assessed by the statewide LEAP Civics end-of-course exam, under the 2022 K-12 Louisiana Student Standards for Social Studies — a full-year course and test, per Hoover Institution's 2024 analysis.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: one-unit financial literacy course required for the Class of 2027 (Act 195, 2023).	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Louisiana Student Standards for English Language Arts	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Louisiana Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Louisiana Student Standards for Science, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Louisiana social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — Louisiana authorizes, but does not require, local education agencies to award a Community Service Diploma Endorsement to students completing 80 hours of documented community service in grades 9–12 (La. Rev. Stat. 17:264; Bulletin 741); adoption is left to each LEA's discretion.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers

Maine



Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Maine Learning Results incorporate the Common Core State Standards (Mathematics) and Next Generation Science Standards (Science and Engineering), including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — No statewide civics course or test requirement for high school graduation; the Maine Learning Results for Social Studies (revised 2019) include a Civics & Government strand alongside Personal Finance & Economics, Geography, and History. Note: the legislature sent a proposed 2024 revision of these standards back to the department, and revision work is ongoing.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standards/offering: financial literacy included in state learning standards; no statewide standalone course requirement.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Maine Learning Results for English Language Arts (incorporating Common Core)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Maine Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Maine Learning Results for Science and Engineering (incorporating Next Generation Science Standards)	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Maine social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — Maine is among a set of states with a statewide Portrait of a Graduate framework (per a 2024–25 multi-organization scan of state graduate portraits); no statewide service-hour mandate identified.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Maryland

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Maryland College and Career-Ready Standards for Mathematics (Common Core-based); Maryland's Science curriculum frameworks, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Maryland requires Social Studies coursework including a Government course as part of graduation; specific course structure and any state assessment requirements are set by the Maryland State Department of Education and vary by district.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standards/offering: financial literacy instruction/standards required; delivery set locally, no statewide standalone course.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Maryland College and Career-Ready Standards for English Language Arts (Common Core-based)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Maryland Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Maryland's Science curriculum frameworks, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Maryland social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — Maryland was the first state in the nation to require service-learning for graduation: COMAR 13A.03.02.05 (adopted 1992, first binding on the Class of 1997) requires every public high school student to complete at least 75 hours of service-learning, or a locally designed alternative approved by the State Superintendent, to earn a diploma.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Massachusetts

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Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Massachusetts Curriculum Framework for Mathematics; Massachusetts Curriculum Framework for Science and Technology/Engineering, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Massachusetts requires an 8th-grade Civics course that includes a student-led civics project (under the state's 2018 civics education law), building toward U.S. History and an elective full-year U.S. Government and Politics course in high school (Massachusetts Curriculum Framework for History and Social Science, 2018).	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standards/offering: financial literacy embedded in K–12 standards; no statewide standalone course requirement.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Massachusetts Curriculum Framework for English Language Arts and Literacy (2017)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Massachusetts Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Massachusetts Curriculum Framework for Science and Technology/Engineering, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Massachusetts social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour mandate identified; existing law (M.G.L. c. 71, §2) requires civics instruction but not a service-hour count. Massachusetts is in the process of adopting the most comprehensive statewide graduation framework in the nation (final recommendations released June 2026, phasing in beginning with the Class entering 9th grade in 2027–28), which names civic engagement and work-based learning alongside a capstone/portfolio culminating experience and a “Vision of a Massachusetts Graduate.”	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Michigan

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Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Michigan K-12 Standards for Mathematics (Common Core-based); Michigan Science Standards, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Michigan requires a half-credit Civics/Government course as part of its 3-credit social studies graduation requirement, under the Michigan K-12 Standards for Social Studies (June 2019, C3 Framework-aligned).	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: half-credit personal finance course required for the Class of 2028 (PA 197, 2022).	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Michigan Standards for English Language Arts and Literacy (Common Core-based)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Michigan Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Michigan Science Standards, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Michigan social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — The Michigan Department of Education has published a statewide Profile of a Graduate naming five abilities every graduate should have: communicate effectively, collaborate with others, argue and reason, use technology and tools, and solve problems. Service Learning is offered as an elective credit within the Michigan Merit Curriculum, but there is no statewide service-hour mandate; any specific hour requirements (commonly 20–40 hours) are set locally.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Minnesota

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Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Minnesota K-12 Academic Standards in Mathematics; Minnesota Academic Standards in Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Minnesota requires students entering grade 9 in 2024–25 or later to complete a course in government and citizenship, and state law requires students to correctly answer 30 of 50 questions on a civics test drawn from the U.S. naturalization exam (2021 Minnesota K-12 Academic Standards in Social Studies).	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: personal finance course required for the Class of 2028 (HF 2497, 2023).	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Minnesota K-12 Academic Standards in English Language Arts (2020)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Minnesota Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Minnesota Academic Standards in Science, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Minnesota social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour mandate or statewide Portrait of a Graduate; as of 2026 the Minnesota Department of Education has explicitly not adopted one, though individual districts (e.g., Buffalo-Hanover-Montrose) and schools have created their own.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Mississippi

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Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Mississippi College- and Career-Readiness Standards (MCCRS) Mathematics (2016) and Science (2018), including engineering and inquiry practices, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — MCCRS Social Studies (2022, C3 Framework-aligned); a new statewide requirement that civics be taught between grades 8 and 12 takes effect the 2027–28 school year.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: already required through the yearlong College and Career Readiness course; new 2026 legislation (J.P. Wilemon Jr. Financial Literacy Act) adds grades 6–8 instruction beginning 2027–28 and a dedicated half-Carnegie-unit high school requirement by the Class of 2032.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Mississippi College- and Career-Readiness Standards (MCCRS) English Language Arts (2025)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Mississippi Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — MCCRS Science (2018), life science and earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Mississippi social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour or Portrait of a Graduate requirement identified for Mississippi K-12 public schools.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Missouri

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Missouri Learning Standards for Mathematics and Science (adopted 2016), including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Missouri requires students to pass a Government end-of-course exam as a graduation requirement, alongside Algebra I, Biology, and English II EOCs, under the Missouri Learning Standards for Social Studies (adopted 2017).	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: long-standing half-credit personal finance course requirement (State Board policy, 2006; in effect since 2019–20).	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Missouri Learning Standards for English Language Arts (adopted 2016)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Missouri Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Missouri Learning Standards for Science, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Missouri social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour or Portrait of a Graduate requirement identified for Missouri K-12 public schools.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Montana

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Montana Content Standards for Mathematics; Montana Science Content Standards (adopted 2016), including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Civics/government content is required as part of graduation under the Montana Content Standards for Social Studies; course length and testing requirements are set locally and vary by district.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standards/offering: financial literacy required within state standards; no statewide standalone course requirement.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Montana Content Standards for English Language Arts and Literacy	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Montana Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Montana Science Content Standards (2016), life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Montana social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour or Portrait of a Graduate requirement identified; Montana's minimum graduation requirements (ARM 10.55.905) are credit-based, with districts free to add their own additional requirements.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Nebraska

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Nebraska's College and Career Ready Standards for Mathematics; Nebraska's College and Career Ready Standards for Science (NESS, 2017, NGSS-aligned), including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Civics/government content is required as part of graduation under Nebraska's College and Career Ready Standards for Social Studies; course length and testing requirements are set locally and vary by district.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: standalone financial literacy course required for graduation since the Class of 2024 (Financial Literacy Act).	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Nebraska's College and Career Ready Standards for English Language Arts (2021)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Nebraska Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Nebraska's College and Career Ready Standards for Science (NESS), life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Nebraska social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour or Portrait of a Graduate requirement identified for Nebraska K-12 public schools; any community-service hour requirements found are set at the district level.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Nevada

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Nevada Academic Content Standards for Mathematics (Common Core-based) and Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Nevada law requires students to pass a course in American government and American history to graduate (NRS 389.054, 389.057) and to take a statewide civics examination as a condition of graduation (NRS 389.009); the Nevada Academic Content Standards for Social Studies include civics, financial literacy, and multicultural education (NRS 389.018).	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standards/offering: financial literacy required within economics/standards; no statewide standalone course.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Nevada Academic Content Standards for English Language Arts (Common Core-based)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Nevada Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Nevada Academic Content Standards for Science, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Nevada social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — The Portrait of a Nevada Learner, finalized in 2023 after a nearly two-year statewide engagement process, describes a successful student through four groups of durable skills — empowering, connecting, impacting, and thriving — including self-awareness, communication, empathy and respect, and resilience. No statewide service-hour mandate identified.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



New Hampshire

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Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — New Hampshire College and Career Ready Standards for Mathematics (Common Core-based); New Hampshire's Next Generation Science Standards (adopted 2016), including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — New Hampshire offers no statewide social studies assessment other than a U.S. citizenship test, administered under the New Hampshire Social Studies Frameworks (C3 Framework-aligned); specific civics course requirements are set locally.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: half-credit course required beginning 2026–27 (HB 1671, 2022), in addition to the existing economics requirement.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — New Hampshire College and Career Ready Standards for English Language Arts (Common Core-based)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — New Hampshire Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — New Hampshire's Next Generation Science Standards, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across New Hampshire social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour mandate identified; state administrative rule (Ed 306.27) requires a competency assessment of U.S. government and civics as part of the required history and government course, but does not establish a service-hour count.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



New Jersey

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Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSLS) for Mathematics and Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — New Jersey requires students to complete a civics course of at least two quarters (or equivalent) covering the values and principles of American constitutional democracy, the function and limits of government, and the citizen's role in a democratic society, under the 2020 NJSLS for Social Studies (N.J.A.C. 6A:8-5.1).	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Embedded: financial literacy instruction required, including a middle-school component, delivered within required curriculum.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSLS) for English Language Arts	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — New Jersey Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSLS) for Science, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across New Jersey social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour mandate identified for New Jersey K-12 public schools; community-service graduation requirements (commonly 60–80 hours) are set at the district level, such as Newark's 80-hour policy.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



New Mexico

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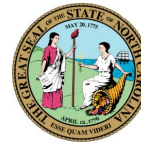
Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — New Mexico's Common Core-based Math standards; NM STEM Ready! Science Standards (2018, NGSS-based), including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — New Mexico requires a Government/Economics course that includes personal financial literacy and civics content, part of a 3.5–4 credit social studies graduation requirement (N.M. Statutes §22-13-1.1), under the New Mexico Social Studies Standards (2022; six strands including Civics).	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Embedded: financial literacy required to be available, embedded in coursework or offered as an elective.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — New Mexico Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts, with an added 15% of state-specific standards focused on cultural responsiveness	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — New Mexico Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — NM STEM Ready! Science Standards, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across New Mexico social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — New Mexico's modernized graduation-requirements law does not set one statewide portrait; instead it legally requires every school district to establish and publish its own local Portrait of a Graduate and align students' required postsecondary success plans to it — a distinctive structure among the states. No statewide service-hour mandate identified.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



New York

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Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — New York State Next Generation Learning Standards for Mathematics; New York State P-12 Science Learning Standards, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — New York requires one unit of American History, a half-unit of Participation in Government, and a half-unit of Economics, and students must pass Regents Exams including U.S. History and Government; a Seal of Civic Readiness recognizes additional civic knowledge and participation, under the New York State K-12 Social Studies Framework.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Embedded: personal finance content delivered within the required economics course.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — New York State Next Generation Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — New York Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — New York State P-12 Science Learning Standards, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across New York social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — In July 2025, the New York State Board of Regents formally adopted the NYS Portrait of a Graduate as part of the state's "NY Inspires" initiative, naming six qualities — academic readiness, creative innovation, critical thinking, effective communication, global citizenship, and being reflective and future-focused — that will replace Regents exams as the primary graduation framework beginning with the 2027–28 school year. No statewide service-hour mandate identified.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



North Carolina

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — North Carolina Standard Course of Study for Mathematics and Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — North Carolina requires a course on the nation's founding principles — either American History: Founding Principles, Civics, and Economics, or Founding Principles of the United States of America and North Carolina: Civic Literacy — as part of its 4-credit social studies graduation requirement (16 NCAC 06D .0503).	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: full-credit Economics and Personal Finance course required for graduation since the Class of 2024 (HB 924, 2019).	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — North Carolina Standard Course of Study for English Language Arts	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — North Carolina Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — North Carolina Standard Course of Study for Science, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across North Carolina social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — North Carolina's statewide Portrait of a Graduate (finalized October 2022 through the state's Operation Polaris initiative, with input from nearly 1,300 North Carolinians) names seven durable skills: adaptability, collaboration, communication, critical thinking, empathy, learner's mindset, and personal responsibility. No statewide service-hour mandate identified.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



North Dakota

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — North Dakota Content Standards for Mathematics; North Dakota Content Standards for Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Civics/government content is required as part of graduation under the North Dakota Social Studies Content Standards (August 2019, six strands including Civics & Government); course length and testing requirements are set locally and vary by district.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standards/offering: districts required to offer a personal finance course; students not required to complete one.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — North Dakota Content Standards for English Language Arts (adopted 2023)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — North Dakota Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — North Dakota Content Standards for Science, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across North Dakota social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — North Dakota has built skills acquisition directly into its federally required school accountability system through a “Choice Ready” measure, which includes demonstrating competency in 21st-century skills; the state is also among those with a statewide Portrait of a Graduate framework. No statewide service-hour mandate identified.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting’s national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers

Ohio



Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Ohio's Learning Standards for Mathematics and Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Ohio requires students to pass an American Government end-of-course exam as a graduation requirement (alongside American History, Algebra I, Geometry, Biology, and ELA II EOCs), under Ohio's Learning Standards for Social Studies (adopted 2018).	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: half-unit financial literacy course required for the Class of 2026 (SB 1).	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Ohio's Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Ohio Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Ohio's Learning Standards for Science, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Ohio social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — Ohio is among the states with a statewide Portrait/Profile of a Graduate framework (per a 2024–25 multi-organization scan); the Ohio-based nonprofit Battelle for Kids has also helped an unusually large number of individual Ohio districts build their own local portraits. No statewide service-hour mandate identified.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Oklahoma

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Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Oklahoma Academic Standards for Mathematics (2016) and Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Oklahoma requires 3 social studies credits including U.S. History, Oklahoma History, and Government or Geography, under the Oklahoma Academic Standards for Social Studies (four strands: Civics, History, Geography, Economics); a Civics Seal recognizes students who go further. Note: the state is conducting a formal review of these standards, triggered by an Oklahoma Supreme Court ruling.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Embedded: proficiency in 14 financial literacy areas required, delivered as standalone or integrated coursework, for 9th graders entering 2025–26.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Oklahoma Academic Standards for English Language Arts (2016)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Oklahoma Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Oklahoma Academic Standards for Science, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Oklahoma social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — Oklahoma law (70 O.S. §1210.508-6) requires every student to participate in Service Learning and/or Work-Based Learning activities at least once across grades 9–12 as a graduation requirement, tied to each student's Individual Career and Academic Plan (ICAP).	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Oregon

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Oregon's Common Core-based Mathematics standards; Oregon Science standards, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Oregon requires a half-credit U.S. Civics course as part of its 3-credit Social Sciences graduation requirement, beginning with the Class of 2026 (Senate Bill 513, 2021), under the Oregon Social Science Standards.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: half-credit personal finance course required for the Class of 2027 (SB 3, 2023).	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Oregon's Common Core-based English Language Arts standards	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Oregon Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Oregon Science standards, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Oregon social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour mandate identified (any specific hour requirements are set locally); Oregon's statewide graduation framework instead requires students to demonstrate proficiency in nine “essential skills” and complete personalized learning requirements, including an education plan, career-related learning experiences, and extended application of knowledge and skills.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Pennsylvania

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Pennsylvania Core Standards for Mathematics; PA STEELS Standards (Science, Technology & Engineering, Environmental Literacy, and Sustainability), including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Pennsylvania has no dedicated civics course requirement, but a Keystone Exam in Civics and Government is available as one of the state's end-of-course exams, under the Academic Standards for Civics and Government (2003).	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: at least a half-credit course required in grades 9–12 for the Class of 2030 (Act 35 of 2023).	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Pennsylvania Core Standards for English Language Arts	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Pennsylvania Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — PA STEELS Standards, life/earth and environmental science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Pennsylvania social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — The Pennsylvania Career Ready Skills (PA CRS), developed by the state (2015–18) and aligned to Pennsylvania's academic and Career Education and Work standards, organize employability skills into three domains: self-awareness and self-management, establishing and maintaining relationships, and social problem-solving. No statewide service-hour mandate identified.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Rhode Island

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Rhode Island Core Standards for Mathematics; Next Generation Science Standards (Rhode Island), including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — No statewide civics course or test requirement for high school graduation; the Rhode Island Social Studies Standards and Civic Learning Guidebook aim for all students to be “civic ready” by graduation.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone (proficiency-based): requirement met through an aligned course, project, assessment, or other approved demonstration, since the Class of 2024.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Rhode Island Core Standards for English Language Arts/Literacy (transitioned from Common Core, 2021)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Rhode Island Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Next Generation Science Standards (Rhode Island), life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Rhode Island social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — Rhode Island's Readiness-Based Graduation Requirements (approved November 2022) formally recognize Service Learning as one of several state-endorsed Work-Based Learning pathway options students can use toward graduation, though it is not a separate hour-based mandate; no statewide Portrait of a Graduate identified.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



South Carolina

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — South Carolina College- and Career-Ready Standards for Mathematics (2015) and Science (2021), including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Under the James B. Edwards Civics Education Initiative (S.C. Code §59-29-240, 2015), all South Carolina public high school students since the 2016–17 ninth-grade class must take a civics test based on the U.S. naturalization exam as part of their required U.S. Government course. Note: a new committee was organized in November 2025 to revise the underlying 2019 Social Studies standards.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: half-credit personal finance course required for the Class of 2028.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — South Carolina College- and Career-Ready Standards for English Language Arts (2024)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — South Carolina Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — South Carolina College- and Career-Ready Standards for Science, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across South Carolina social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — South Carolina developed a statewide Profile of a Graduate naming competencies that include reading critically, expressing ideas, investigating through inquiry, reasoning quantitatively, using sources, designing solutions, learning independently, navigating conflict, leading teams, building networks, sustaining wellness, and engaging as a citizen — which formed the foundation of the SC Competencies Prototype. No statewide service-hour mandate identified.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



South Dakota

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — South Dakota Content Standards for Mathematics and Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Civics/government content is required as part of graduation under the South Dakota Social Studies Standards (adopted 2023); course length and testing requirements are set locally and vary by district.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standards/offering: districts required to offer personal finance instruction; no statewide completion requirement.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — South Dakota Content Standards for English Language Arts (adopted 2025)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — South Dakota Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — South Dakota Content Standards for Science, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across South Dakota social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour or Portrait of a Graduate requirement identified; South Dakota's graduation requirements (SD Admin. Rule 24:43:11, approved 2018) are credit-based, with several optional advanced endorsements.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Tennessee

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Tennessee Academic Standards for Mathematics and Science (2016), including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Tennessee requires a project-based civics assessment at least once in grades 4–8 and once in grades 9–12 (T.C.A. §49-6-1028), and students must pass (70% or higher) the U.S. citizenship test during high school (T.C.A. §49-6-408); schools where all seniors score 85%+ are recognized as a U.S. Civics All-Star School.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: half-credit personal finance course required for graduation, a long-standing requirement since the Class of 2013.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Tennessee Academic Standards for English Language Arts	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Tennessee Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Tennessee Academic Standards for Science, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Tennessee social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour or Portrait of a Graduate requirement identified; Tennessee's notable state-level requirement in this space is civic rather than service-based (see the Civics & Government row).	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Texas

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Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) for Mathematics and Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Texas requires civics training for teachers and administrators under new legislation (TEC §21.4555, SB 3, 2021), aligned with civics instruction requirements in TEC §28.002(h-2) and §28.0022, under the Social Studies TEKS.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: one-semester personal financial literacy course required for 9th graders entering 2026–27 (HB 27, 2025), counting toward the social studies requirement.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) for English Language Arts and Reading	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Texas Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) for Science, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Texas social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour or Portrait of a Graduate requirement identified for Texas K-12 public schools.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers

Utah



Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Utah Core Standards for Mathematics; Utah SEEd Standards for Science (NGSS-aligned), including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Civic and character education is a foundational, constitutionally rooted goal of Utah's public education system (Utah Constitution, Article X); Utah offers an American Constitutional Government and Citizenship course and integrates civics across the Utah Standards for Social Studies.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: half-credit General Financial Literacy course required since the Class of 2008; Utah was the first state to require this (2003).	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Utah Core Standards for English Language Arts	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Utah Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Utah SEEd Standards, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Utah social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — Utah's statewide portrait of a graduate, the Talent MAP (Mastery, Autonomy, Purpose), identifies 13 characteristics of a well-rounded Utah graduate — including service, civic/financial/economic literacy, collaboration and teamwork, and honesty and responsibility — approved by the Utah State Board of Education in 2019. No statewide service-hour mandate identified.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Vermont

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Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Common Core State Standards for Mathematics (Vermont); Next Generation Science Standards (Vermont), including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — No statewide civics course or test requirement for high school graduation; civics, economics, geography, and history are taught under Vermont's "Global Citizenship" content standards (adopted 2017, C3 Framework-aligned).	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standards/offering: financial literacy embedded in K–12 standards; no statewide standalone course requirement.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts (Vermont)	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Vermont Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Next Generation Science Standards (Vermont), life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Vermont social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — Vermont's profile of a graduate identifies six key domains for college and career readiness, connected to the state's proficiency-based graduation requirements under the Education Quality Standards. No statewide service-hour mandate identified.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Virginia

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Virginia Standards of Learning (SOL) for Mathematics and Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Virginia requires full-year History and Social Science courses with civics content and passage of related Standards of Learning (SOL) assessments — a full-year course and test, per Hoover Institution's 2024 analysis — under the 2023 Standards of Learning for History & Social Science.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: full-credit Economics and Personal Finance course required for graduation since the Class of 2015 (adopted 2009).	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Virginia Standards of Learning (SOL) for English	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Virginia Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Virginia Standards of Learning (SOL) for Science, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Virginia social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — Virginia's Profile of a Virginia Graduate names four components — content knowledge, workplace skills, community and civic engagement, and career exploration — and the state updated its graduation requirements to align with it, allowing locally developed performance assessments to demonstrate mastery. No statewide service-hour mandate identified.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Washington

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Washington State K-12 Learning Standards for Mathematics; Washington State K-12 Science Learning Standards (NGSS, adopted 2013), including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Washington requires a mandatory half-credit stand-alone Civics course for graduation, in effect since the 2020–21 school year (RCW 28A.230.094), plus a separate Washington State History and Government course requirement (RCW 28A.230.090), under the Washington State K-12 Social Studies Learning Standards (revised 2019).	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standards/offering: financial education standards adopted and teacher training funded; no statewide standalone course requirement.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Washington State K-12 Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Washington Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Washington State K-12 Science Learning Standards, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Washington social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — Washington's Profile of a Graduate, developed by a legislatively created Mastery-based Learning Work Group with extensive stakeholder input, names essential skills including personal knowledge, problem-solving, communication, physical and emotional well-being, and embracing diversity; the state board has worked to align graduation requirements with the Profile. No statewide service-hour mandate identified (any specific hour requirements, commonly around 40 hours, are set locally).	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



West Virginia

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — West Virginia College and Career Readiness Standards (WVCCRS) for Mathematics and Science, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — West Virginia requires a statewide Civics Assessment for all high school Civics course completers and a separate History Assessment for U.S. History completers — a full-year course and test, per Hoover Institution's 2024 analysis — under the WVCCRS for Social Studies.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: half-credit personal finance course required for the Class of 2028.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — West Virginia College and Career Readiness Standards (WVCCRS) for English Language Arts	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — West Virginia Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — WVCCRS for Science, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across West Virginia social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour or Portrait of a Graduate requirement identified for West Virginia K-12 public schools.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers

Wisconsin



Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Wisconsin's Common Core-based Mathematics standards; Wisconsin Science standards, including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — Since the Class of 2017, Wisconsin has required students to pass a 100-question civics test identical to the U.S. naturalization test as a graduation requirement (Wis. Stat. §118.33(1m)(a)), without a dedicated standalone civics course, under the Wisconsin Standards for Social Studies (2018).	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — Standalone: half-credit personal financial literacy course required for the Class of 2028 (2023 Act 60); cannot be embedded or double-counted.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Wisconsin's Common Core-based English Language Arts standards	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Wisconsin Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Wisconsin Science standards, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Wisconsin social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — No statewide service-hour mandate; Wisconsin's Department of Public Instruction collects each district's locally set community-service graduation requirement as part of its annual graduation-plan data collection, but does not itself set a state-level hour count. No statewide Portrait of a Graduate identified.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers



Wyoming

Learning Standards ↔ Scouting Program Crosswalk — standards names and civics/finance citations verified

Standards Domain	Cub Scouts (K–5)	Scouts BSA (6–12)
STEM — Wyoming Content and Performance Standards for Mathematics (2023) and Science (2023), including inquiry- and engineering-design practices	STEM elective Adventures at every rank; Nova Awards; nature/science Adventures	Engineering, Robotics, Programming, Space Exploration, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology, Weather, Nature merit badges
Civics & Government — No statewide civics course or test requirement for high school graduation; government and civics content, including state and federal constitutions (Wyo. Stat. §21-9-102), is embedded within the Wyoming Social Studies Standards (2018). Note: a revision process for these standards began in late 2025.	Citizenship required Adventure at every rank; Duty to Country themes	Citizenship in the Community, Nation, and World merit badges (all required for Eagle); Messenger of Peace service program
Financial Literacy — No statewide personal finance course or standards requirement.	Financial-literacy elective Adventures (age-appropriate budgeting, earning, saving)	Personal Management merit badge (required for Eagle; budgeting, saving, planning)
ELA / Communication — Wyoming Content and Performance Standards for English Language Arts	Adventures requiring presentations, journaling, den/pack communication	Communication merit badge (required for Eagle); badge process itself requires research and oral presentation
Health & Physical Education — Wyoming Health and Physical Education standards	Personal Fitness / Personal Health required Adventures at every rank	Personal Fitness, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness/Lifesaving merit badges (required for Eagle)
Environmental / Life Science — Wyoming Content and Performance Standards for Science, life/earth science content	Nature/conservation electives; World Conservation Award; Leave No Trace Award	Environmental Science or Sustainability merit badge (required for Eagle); Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation electives
Character & Social-Emotional Development — embedded across Wyoming social studies and health standards	Character-focused required Adventures at every rank; den/pack teamwork	Scout Oath and Law woven through every rank; Family Life and Personal Management merit badges
Leadership & Service — Wyoming's Profile of a Graduate, developed through extensive statewide stakeholder engagement led by the State Board of Education, envisions graduates who are “curious, kind, and ready to work hard to make their community a better place,” with explicit expectations including personal finance and basic living skills. No statewide service-hour mandate identified.	Den/pack leadership roles (Denner, Assistant Denner); community-service-themed Adventures and pack service projects	Positions of Responsibility required for rank advancement (Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader, and more); National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT); the Order of the Arrow — Scouting's national honor society, built on cheerful service, to which Scouts are elected by their peers