

Creating a Merit Badge:

Effective Communicator

Objective:

PLANNING AND WRITING A MERIT BADGE:

Students that are successful have learned to be activists. Passive learners often cause no trouble, but are unable to respond to new challenges or to grapple with problems that are beyond their immediate grasp. This certificate proposes that students can be active in their understanding and execution of their own school journeys.

Requirements for completion of this certificate:

1. Student will research a necessary skill from which Alisal students would benefit. The badge text should explain what the skill is, why it's important, and what one needs to do to prove mastery.

For example, "Learning how to Swim":

- A discussion of how the skill translates to one or more of the school ESLRs,
- Explanation of skills involved,
- And verification criteria.

Verification: Your Academy Instructor verifies the plan before step #2 is accomplished.

2. Having received permission from the instructor, student will create the document with a similar format as this document. The document will explain what tasks need to be accomplished in chronological order, as well as verification to prove mastery of a skill. In addition, student must analyze which school ESLRs are employed during mastery of this skill.

Verification: Your Academy Instructor verifies the document.