

## **Merit Badge for Hobbies, Special Interests**

### *Independent Learner*

You may earn a merit badge (which leads to your Certificate of Mastery for graduation) when you complete the following:

### **Objective:**

This is an opportunity for you to turn your special interest or hobby into an educational experience and receive recognition. Your hobby might be music, photography, dance, car racing, stamp collecting, fashion, or any activity for which you have a passion.

### **Verification:**

To earn this badge you need to make a presentation to your peers which will include the following aspects:

- (1) A clear connection to the school's ESLRs: independent learner, valued employee, effective communicator, and , of course, active participant;
- (2) A significant use of technology to present your activity;
- (3) A depth of involvement that goes beyond the beginner level.

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