



Anchorage Public Library Scout Patch Program

This patch, open to all scouts (Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, American Heritage Girls, Trail Life USA, and more), will educate youth about the variety of in-person and online resources available from Anchorage Public Library (APL) and help them understand how our library is a part of the wider community.

Earning an APL Scout Patch requires several steps. Librarians will provide tours of the library spaces, copies of the library tour scavenger hunts, and the patches. The troop leader is responsible for ensuring that the scouts complete the remaining requirements for their age/ grade level.

For more information and to schedule a tour, contact your closest Anchorage Public Library location (www.anchoragelibrary.org) or email Youth Services at APLYouth@anchorageak.gov.

Patch Requirements

All Ages

1. Get at least one library card for your family.
2. Visit the library for a tour.
3. Discover and be able to name at least three types of items the library checks out!
4. [OPTIONAL] Design a poster, write a skit, make a video or other ad or artwork to encourage people to visit the library. Highlight at least one great service, event, or resource at the library.

Kindergarten and 1st Grade stop here!

Elementary School (Grades 2 to 5)

1. Do all the all-ages activities above.
2. After your tour, complete the library tour scavenger hunt for grades 2-5.
3. (Grades 4 to 5 only) Answer at least two questions in the online resources library tour scavenger hunt using library databases. This can be done online before you come in or as part of your tour.

Middle School (Grades 6 to 8)

1. Do all the all-ages activities above.
2. Complete the online resources library tour scavenger hunt for grades 6-12. This can be done online before you come in or as part of your tour.

High School (Grades 9 to 12)

1. Do all the all-ages activities above.
2. Complete the online resources library tour scavenger hunt for grades 6-12. This can be done online before you come in or as part of your tour
3. Volunteer at the library. There are several ways you can do so:
 - a. Join one of the regular, weekly drop-in teen volunteer times at several of our locations. More details can be found in the online calendar.
 - b. Ask the librarian for a special project for you or your troop.
 - c. Volunteer at a library event (such as Reading Rendezvous each May).
 - d. Assist younger scouts during their library tours to help them with their scavenger hunts.