

REQUIREMENTS

To be a member of the Topeka Gem & Mineral Society or any regional federation club with an AFMS affiliation.
No additional costs.

OPPORTUNITIES

- TGMS Business Meetings with voting rights
- Youth Activities during Business Meetings
- Receive the Glacial Drifter Newsletter
- Holding club offices
- Field Trips
- Classes
 - Lapidary
 - Wire wrapping
 - Silversmithing
- Community Service
- Gem & Mineral Shows
- Competitions (Monthly & Yearly)
- Specimen Identifications
- Rock Swaps
- Silent Auctions

Topeka Junior Rockhounds meetings are held the 1st Thursday of each month with classes starting at 6:30pm.

Future Rockhounds of America Manual

Available online through
the AFMS link on the
Topeka Gem & Mineral Society webpage:

www.TopekaGMS.org or www.amfed.org

Topeka Junior Rockhounds

www.facebook.com/TopekaGMSJuniorRockhounds

Topeka Gem & Mineral Society

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Topeka Junior Rockhounds

Topeka Gem & Mineral Society
Youth Program



Future Rockhounds of America is a nationwide nonprofit program within the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies that develops and delivers quality youth activities in the earth sciences and lapidary arts in a fun, family environment. Our underlying goals are to foster science literacy and arts education through structured activities that are engaging and challenging and by which kids—and the adults who mentor them—learn while having fun.



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Mineralogical Societies

BENEFITS OVERVIEW

Topeka Junior Rockhounds is a program that rewards kids on an on-going basis as a means of encouraging and cultivating their interest in the earth sciences and lapidary arts.

Badges that can be earned

- Rocks & Minerals
- Earth Resources
- Fossils
- Lapidary Arts
- Collecting
- Showmanship
- Communication
- Field Trips
- Leadership
- Earth Processes
- Earth in Space
- Gold Panning & Prospecting
- Gemstone Lore & Legend
- Stone Age Tools & Art
- Rocking on the Computer
- The World in Miniature
- Special Effects
- Fluorescent Minerals
- Reaching Across Generations
- Maps

Membership Patch

Rockhound Patch (after 6 badges)

AFMS cloisonné pin (all 20 badges)

National Listing on AFMS site

Rockhounds Honor Roll
http://amfed.org/fra/honor_roll.htm

Rockhounds Rock Stars
http://amfed.org/fra/rock_stars.htm

PATCHES & PINS



**Completion of 3 activities
within a category earns a patch.**

Example: Rocks & Minerals

- Learning the characteristics of minerals
- Making and using a mineral ID kit
- Building a mineral collection
- The three rock types
- Crystal Shapes
- Growing crystals and making geodes
- State rocks, minerals, and gemstones

BADGES



TOPEKA GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

- Membership dues are due in the month of December for the new year.
 - \$15.00 Individual
 - \$20.00 Married
 - \$5.00 each Youth (<18)
- Glacial Drifter Newsletter
- Meetings 7:30pm on 4th Friday, September - May at Washburn University Stoffer Science Hall Room 138; Summer picnic meetings locations announced
- Junior Members must be accompanied by their parents or guardians to any meeting or activity connected with TGMS.
- Notify Treasurer with change of address, phone, or e-mail.

Name: _____

Junior Members:

_____ DOB _____
 _____ DOB _____

Address: _____

Phone: (____) _____

E-mail _____

Amount Paid: _____

Date: _____

Interests:

- Lapidary
- Minerals/Rocks
- Fossils
- Collecting
- Faceting
- Silversmithing
- Other _____