

Making Friends



# **Badge Overview**

Find out how to make new friends, keep old friends, and be the best Brownie friend you can be. When you've earned this badge, you'll know how to be a good friend.

# **Badge Components**

### 1. Make friendly introductions

Sometimes making friends can be as simple as introducing yourself! Earn this step by introducing yourself to 3 people you do not know. It can be people from school, your sports team, another girl scout troop, or your neighborhood.

O **BONUS!** If you are spending time at home right now, ask your family member if you can introduce yourself to three of their friends. Their friends may be colleagues from work or friends from community groups.

# 2. Show friends you care

Good friends are there for one another. Sometimes friends go through a hard time or have a bad day, and as friends, it is important we are there for one another. It is also nice to show your friends that they mean a lot to you. Earn this step by completing one of these activities:

- O Write and mail a letter to a friend.
- Make a friend a special gift.
  - o If you do not have any arts and crafts supplies at home, consider gifting your friend a SWAP!

### 3. Share favorite activities

Each person is unique, and has their own favorite color, animal, and even activity! Talk to your friend and find out what their favorite activity is. Then, share your favorite activity with them too. Maybe your friend enjoys soccer, and you love to paint. Earn this step by both you and your friend participating in each other's favorite activity. You can play a game of soccer together, and then paint a picture together!

#### 4. Learn how to disagree

A good friend respects each other's opinions and thoughts. You may find yourself wanting to play on the play set, but your friend wants to swim in the pool. It is important to learn how to disagree with each other. Earn this step by watching this **video**.

# 5. Practice friendship!

It is important that we always practice being a good friend to one another. Earn this step by completing one of the following:

- O Introduce yourself to a new friend at the park, in your sports/activity club, or in your neighborhood.
- O Find a new table in the cafeteria to sit at, you can always bring a friend with you!
- O Talk with your friend and share 5 kind things about them.

# **Materials**

- · Access to internet
- · Something to write with
- Something to write on

# Florida Educational Standards

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