Topic: Citizenship

Badge: Democracy for Daisies

Meet the people that work together in your government. While working on this badge, you will learn about these three areas of government:

- 1. Find out about local government
- 2. Find out about state government
- 3. Find out about national government

Suggested Supplies: some paper and your favorite colorful writing utensils, like crayons, colored pencils or markers.



Activity 1: Take a virtual field trip to a local City Hall or City Manager's office.

- You can find your own city hall to explore online, or
- You can follow this <u>link</u> to watch a tour of Yukon's City Hall, including their City Manager's office.

Terms to know and understand:

Citizen- A citizen is a member of a community, state or country.

Democracy- A system where citizens help decide how the country is run. They share their opinions by voting in elections.

Fun Fact: Once you turn 18, you will be able to vote too.

Activity 2: Talk about and explore your state government.

- Every state has its own government
- Government has three branches, like a tree. They are intertwined and work together to run the government.
- A governor is the leader of the state, like the president is the leader of our country.
- Find out who the governor is currently, how long they are in office (term) and what their duties are while in office.
- Research what requirements a person needs to run for Governor.
- Write your governor a letter, telling them what you would like to see improved or an idea of how to improve something in our state.

Activity 3: Learn about the Presidents and who can be one.

- Learn the three big rules about being able to run for President.
- Find out where the President lives while they are in office.

- Check out a list of all the past Presidents. Do you see anything missing? Do you think a woman can be President?
- Imagine yourself as President and draw yourself as The President.

Share what you have learned and created with your family members.

Be sure and tell your Troop Leader what you did and what you learned about Democracy for Daisies!

You can also purchase the badge online at GS Shop.