

# Citizenship in the Community Merit Badge

**THANK YOU** for your class registration at the Newport Sea Base! Be prepared for all the fun activities by reviewing these items below with your child. Please let us know if you have any questions. Enjoy and welcome aboard!

#### **NSB Contacts & General Info:**

For the day of the activity **only**, if you have questions or are running late etc., please call the guest services phone at **714-856-1420**.

Registration/General Questions: <u>outdoor@ocbsa.org</u>

• Website: <u>www.newportseabase.org</u>

Office Phone: (714) 923-3191

• Address: 1931 West Coast Highway, Newport Beach, CA 92663

### **Class Required Items/General Info:**

- Be sure your camper picks up a syllabus from the instructor on the first day of class and reviews the syllabus with parents/guardians.
- Closed-toed shoes are required. Sandals, Crocs, or roller shoes are not permitted.
- Electronics and other valued items should be left at home.
- There will be cubbies for participants to put their personal belongings in, Sea Base is not responsible for any damaged or lost items.

#### Lunch/Snack Info:

- If staying a full day, lunch must be provided from home. NSB will not be serving any lunches or snacks. Refrain from bringing food items that need to be refrigerated or heated up.
- Lunch supervision will be provided for youth in designated areas and will be supervised by staff.

#### **Drop Off & Pick Up**

- Parking procedures will allow for parents to park in the lot and drop off their child for class, parents may also come onto property to greet staff on the lawn. Parents may park at pick up, and walk to the lawn, as instructors will bring children back to the lawn for pick up.
- Please also refrain from arriving late to class. Late arrivals cause the teacher to repeat
  instructions several times which could lead to some children falling behind with projects. Also,
  many classes leave the facility on boat and launch, making late arrivals very difficult if not
  impossible to catch your child up with the class.



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#### **Merit Badge Prep Items:**

- We recommend that you bring the merit badge handbook for each class; not required though.
- Double check the class description on the registration page for areas of focus and ways to prepare for the class.
- Homework assignments may accompany each class, be sure to check with your child each day on the assignments handed out in class.
- Scouts will also be able to print out their blue cards (merit badge completion) online through
  your Black Pug registration account. Blue cards online will be available one week after the class
  is completed. You may also continue to bring blue cards (in-hand) on the last day of class; cards
  should be signed by your Scoutmaster before attending the class.
- If your child receives a partial for the class, they will receive a partial completion form listing which requirements need to be finished still. Please call the NSB office to set up a time to come in and submit the completed work along with your blue card which will be signed and stamped for merit badge completion. If there is an extensive amount of incomplete work or missed classes, there may be an extra fee to aid in the completion of the merit badge or your child may potentially need to register and take the class again either partially or completely depending on the completion status.

#### For Requirement 3a and 3b, your Scout will need to:

- a) Attend a meeting of your city, town, or county council or school board; OR attend a municipal, county, or state court session.
- b) Choose one of the issues discussed at the meeting where a difference of opinions was expressed and explain to your counselor why you agree with one opinion more than you do another one.

If restrictions are not permitting you to attend these meetings in person due to Covid safety restrictions, you can either watch these meetings (NEWPORT BEACH or choose your own city) live on television OR at <a href="https://www.newportbeachca.gov/home">https://www.newportbeachca.gov/home</a> and in the "Meetings" section below on the main page you will want click on one of the calendared events and then you'll be able to view the live feed online on your computer (it's at the bottom of the event page).

#### **City of Newport Beach - Televised Meetings**

Meetings are televised the evening of the meeting by Spectrum (Channel 3) and Cox Communications (Channel 852), and are rebroadcast the Sundays following the meeting at 4:00 p.m., the following Mondays at 12:00 p.m., and the following Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m. until the next meeting is aired.

Thanks again for your participation at the Newport Sea Base.
Have a GREAT class!