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Represent Girl Scouts
 throughout Utah by leading
 Flag Ceremonies

Girls get trained in
 leading Color
 Guards!



Color Guard Advocacy Patch

Turn this form in to one of the Girl Scouts of Utah's Shops to purchase this patch.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Grade Level:	Daisy K-1	Brownie 2-3	Junior 4-5	Cadette 6-8	Senior 9-10	Ambassador 11-12
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Requirements Completed:

Discover	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Connect	1	2	3	4	5		
Take Action	1	2	3	4			

Thoughts/Challenges/Successes in regards to this patch:



Explore, educate, and practice!
 Complete this patch and we
 will invite you to all kinds of
 events!

Possible Materials Needed:

Color Guard instructions sheet (found online through www.gsusa.org , U.S. Flag, Access to internet or library

**If the requirement is starred (*) then it is a mandatory activity for all age levels.*

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- Learn about the American flag! What do the stripes stand for? What about the stars? How do you properly fold and unfold a flag?*
- Learn what order the flags (U.S.A., State, and Girl Scout) go in when setting up a flag ceremony and why they go in that order.*
- Research Daughters of the American Revolution and learn what they stand for and what they do.
- Learn how to properly retire a flag.*
- Learn what it means to be the “caller” in a Color Guard ceremony. What are the commands you will speak? *
- Learn what it means to be the “Color Guard” in a Color Guard ceremony. What actions will you perform?*
- Learn what it means to be the “flag bearer” in a Color Guard ceremony. What are your responsibilities?*

Learn about flag ceremonies from fellow Girl Scouts!

- <http://bit.ly/1o4BIZB>
- <http://bit.ly/1heuGGS>

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- Watch a Color Guard ceremony (see videos above). What did you find interesting? Would you like to participate in one?*
- Practice being part of a Color Guard ceremony. You can find more information here: <http://bit.ly/1jzdKOS>
- Try being the caller, flag bearer, and colorguard.*

- Learn about your state’s flag. What is its symbolism, meaning, and traditions?
- Will your Color Guard Ceremony include a singing bridge? If so, learn about different songs that may be sung during one (patriotic, class Girl Scout songs, etc) and what a singing bridge is used for (bridge of silence).
- Learn how to properly fold a flag and practice doing so.*

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- Think of three different places that you could lead a Color Guard ceremony. After completing this patch, ask a troop leader, parent, or guardian if you can participate in one!*
- Teach a friend or family member about Color Guard ceremonies. Tell them everything you’ve learned—the traditions, the different roles in a ceremony, what the flag symbolizes, etc. *
- Participate in leading a Color Guard ceremony with your fellow Girl Scouts, friends, or family.*
- Research 10 different countries flags and find the following: what the symbolism of the flag is, the history of the flag, and one interesting fact about each of them. Share what you’ve learned with your fellow Girl Scouts, friends, or family!

- *Brownie’s: Celebrating Community Badge*
- *Junior’s: Inside Government Badge*
- *Cadette’s: Finding Common Ground Badge*
- *Senior’s: Behind the Ballot Badge*
- *Ambassador’s: Public Policy Badge*

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