

Citizenship in the Nation

Be prepared with the following requirements *completed*. Scouts who do not complete these requirements prior to the class are preventing other Scouts from taking this class who will be prepared.

- Bring a copy of the Citizenship in the Nation merit badge pamphlet (OR, you can print out current requirements at www.meritbadge.org or www.usscouts.org)
- Read the pamphlet before our meeting and review the Requirements
- Requirement 2: Do the requirement; prepare short report on where you visited
- Requirement 3: Do the requirement, be prepared to discuss
- Requirement 6: The Counselor will allow you to choose your own speech, but remember, it has to have national importance.
- Requirement 8: Write to your Congressional Representative or one of your Senators, bring a copy of your correspondence to the workshop; also, make sure you have the names of your state's U.S. Senators and your Representative in Congress. Please note: Due to the timing of this offering and the recent election, Scouts who live in Congressional Districts that elected a new Member of Congress MUST know both the incumbent and the newly elected member. Also, if the scout chooses to write the Member of Congress, be aware the outgoing member is not likely to receive your letter; and the newly elected member will not have an official address, or government email.
- Bring a notebook and some pencils
- Be ready to participate or share in any discussion that is part of this session
- Leave all portable electronics at home, please!
- Wear your Scout uniform
- Bring a signed merit badge card

The Counselor would like you to know that he will not sign off *any* Scout who cannot demonstrate that he has spent time on the material and knows it. This can be done by presenting a completed worksheet and having the ability to discuss with the Counselor anything in the requirements at the time of sign-off.

Note: Because this is a participatory merit badge, the counselor is also interested in knowing if your Scout has a disabling condition that would make it difficult or impossible for him to participate in a group discussion. If so, please note on the registration form what kind of accommodation your son will require, and the counselor will work with your Scout individually.