

Citizenship



Citizenship: Citizenship is doing your share to help your family and make your community a better place. Good citizens are good neighbors. They cooperate with others. Good citizens obey the rules and the law; they respect the authority of parents, teachers, and others. Good citizens also protect the environments.

Citizenship Dos:

- Obey the rules and the law.
- Make your school a better place for your friends and teachers.
- Make your neighborhood a safer, happier place for kids and adults.
- Be a good team player.
- Learn about your community and ways you can volunteer.
- Reduce, reuse, recycle makes the Earth a cleaner and greener place.

Citizenship Don'ts:

- Don't bend the rules or break the laws.
- Don't spoil the environment
- Don't waste resources thoughtlessly

Practicing Citizenship

Here is a list of some activities parents can do to teach your child about good citizenship:

1. Participate in local celebrations with your child
2. Encourage your child to join a recreational team or community organization.
3. Talk about the different places in our community and discuss ways of contributing.
4. Or you could select a family service project each week to help someone in your community.
5. Display your child's drawings of significant places in your community. Have a "showing" for family (and even for friends and neighbors).
6. Develop a list of long-term civic goals as a family. Do something each month to work toward accomplishing a goal.
7. In conversation, use citizenship-related words such as *rights, obligation, duty, community, selflessness, volunteering, contributing, helping, voting, law, and government.*
8. Discuss the importance of taking care of the environment and the costs of not doing so.