

**WELCOME TO NEWPORT SEA BASE'S**

***CITIZENSHIP IN THE NATION!***



**Thank you for your class registration. We're excited to have you aboard!**

**Course Description:**

Students will build their understanding that a nation is a patchwork of communities that differ from each other and may be governed differently. Regardless of how local communities differ, they all have one point in common: In the United States, local government means self-government. Find out how to become an active participant in the life of the nation and how to voice your opinion to your representatives. Discover how national decisions affect you; your family and the community. Learn about the history and functions of the federal government.

**Below is information you'll find valuable in helping you prepare for the class:**

- Be sure your Scout picks up a syllabus from the instructor on the first day of class and reviews the syllabus with parents/guardians.
- Class handouts and this letter can be found on the **Merit Badge Resources** page of our website.
- Scouts should bring the merit badge booklet to each day of class.
- Most of the merit badge requirements and course information are covered and discussed in class, however we do also assign homework.
- Guardians **MUST** check in with the NSB instructor on the first day of class to ensure proper reception of child in class. Families may check in at the pedestal directory/site map at the Building C staircase or visit the NSB office upstairs.
- Scouts **MUST WEAR CLOSED TOED SHOES AT ALL TIME**. No sandals, Crocs, or roller shoes are permitted.
- Electronics and other valued items should be left at HOME.
- Scouts can carry their belongings with them to class; Sea Base is not responsible for any damaged or lost items.
- Snacks and drinks are recommended if your child is participating at NSB for an extended period of time.
- Scouts are not permitted to leave the Sea Base without a parent/guardian.
- Scouts should label all personal belongings.
- Scouts must bring blue cards on the last day of class. Instructors will not hold blue cards for students before the last day of class.
- Some classes will include a free pontoon/whaler boat field trip in which Sea Base provides life vests for all campers. Life vests **MUST** be worn on docks and boats! Campers should bring sun block and extra drinking water especially if their class involves being out in the sun.

**Field Trip Info:**

\*FREE pontoon/whaler boat ride to the Balboa Pavilion (3rd/Final Class) provided by NSB

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

**NEWPORT SEA BASE STAFF**

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