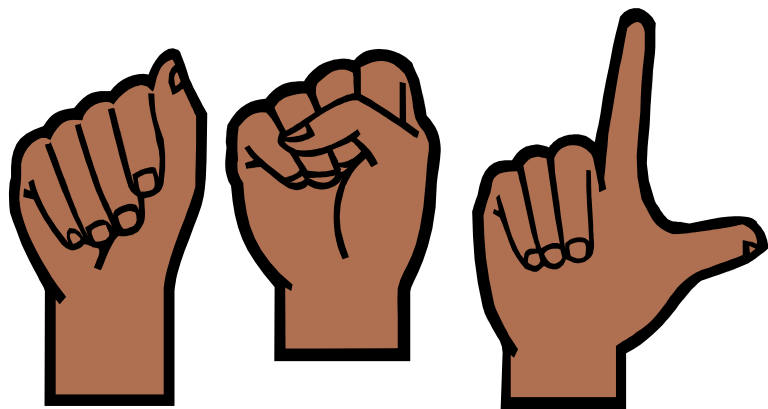




SIGN LANGUAGE

PATCH PROGRAM



All grade-levels complete activities 1, 2, 7, 10, 14, and 18. Please complete the following number of additional activities according to your grade-level:

Daisy – 2

Brownie – 4

Junior – 6

Cadette and up – 10

1. What is American Sign Language (ASL)? Why and how did it start? Learn about the history of sign language.
2. Learn to sign the alphabet.
3. How do you relay time in ASL? Learn to sign numbers, and the signs for the following: tomorrow, morning, yesterday, night, day, today, “What time is it?”
4. Learn to sign the days of the week.
5. What are the signs for winter, spring, summer and fall?
6. Learn to sign colors.
7. Manners are important in no matter what you do. Learn to sign things like please, thank you, sorry, hi, how are you, fine.
8. We all have families and friends that we love. What is the sign for “I love you”? Learn the signs for mother, father, brother, sister, and other family members.
9. Learn the sign for three animals.
10. Learn how to sign your name and your friends’ names.
11. Learn to say “I’m thirsty and would like a glass of water, please.”
12. Learn how to sign the Girl Scout Promise and/or Taps. Sign them for another Girl Scout.
13. Speak with an interpreter for the deaf or have an interpreter visit your troop to learn more about ASL. Make a list of all the places/events an interpreter is needed.
14. Read about a prominent deaf person and share his/her story with your troop.
15. Attend a theatrical production where the actors sign or an interpreter is used.
16. Reflect on how you felt about attending the event. Could you understand without listening?
17. Create a message using ASL and communicate it to a friend. Could your friend understand you?
18. Incorporate ASL into your fly-up, bridging, or badge ceremony. You could interpret a song, poem, or badge, or say the Promise in ASL.
19. Make a poster or chart to show what you've learned about ASL that will encourage others to learn ASL or be more understanding of the differences and similarities of deaf and hearing people.

Questions? Comments?

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