Mission Military Patch

Mission Military is an opportunity to learn more about military service and history. Girls of all grades can earn this patch!

To earn this patch*:

- 1. Participate in a military focused service project. You might consider participating in Project Troop to Troop through the GSNETX Cookie Program.
- 2. Cadettes, Seniors & Ambassadors complete the last activity.
- 3. Complete the number of activities below for your grade level: Daisy 3 Brownie - 4 Junior - 5 Cadette, Senior & Ambassador - 6
- List the five branches of the military. Learn at least 2 facts about each branch.
- Locate on a map and research at least one active military base in Texas.
- Learn what the USO is, their mission, and the kinds of activities they support? www.uso.org
- What is the Purple Heart and how is it earned? www.purpleheart.org
- What are the general requirements to enlist in the military? Be sure to study age, education, physical conditioning, and gender.
- What is a veteran? Learn about veteran's organizations in our area and what they do. www.va.gov/kids
- Interview a veteran to learn all about what it's like to serve your country!
- What is proper flag etiquette during military ceremonies? Take part in a troop flag ceremony.
- Each branch of the military has a song. Find the music and lyrics for one and sing it.

All of the branches of the military have schools of higher education. Select one and research it:

- Military Academy, West Point, NY www.usma.edu
- U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD <u>www.usna.edu</u>
- U. S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, CO www.usafa.af.mil
- U. S. Coast Guard Academy, New London, CN www.cga.edu
- Merchants Marine Academy, Kings Point, NY www.usmma.edu

FYI: Did you know that girls who have earned the Gold Award start at a higher pay grade level when enlisting?

*Requirements may be completed in any order.