



Brownie Fair Play Badge

Pillar: Life Skills

Purpose: When you've earned this badge, you'll know how to play fair in sports.



Playing fair means that everyone has the same chance to play, because everyone follows the same rules. That's what this badge is about. You'll learn to work together to have the most fun possible. That's fair play!

Brownies will follow these steps to earn their badge:

1. Follow the rules. (Discover, Connect)
 - a. Select a well-known game (Simon Says, Freeze Tag, etc.) to play with your troop. Make sure to establish the rules of the game ahead of time so that everyone plays the same way.
 - b. Play the game again but change one or two of the rules. Does your change make the game more fun? More challenging? Which version of the game do you like best? Discuss these ideas with your Brownie friends.
2. Include everyone. (Discover, Connect)
 - a. Take the same game that you played above with the original rules. Is it a game that is easy for everyone to play? How could you adapt the rules so that a toddler could play? Or your grandparents? Could this game be easily played by someone with vision impairment or hearing loss? How could you adapt the game, so people of every ability are able to play and have fun?
 - b. Discuss as a troop the adaptations you could make, and then play the game together with the new rules.
3. Be part of a team. (Discover, Connect) – Do this step along with conjunction with Step 4.
 - a. Team up with your Brownie friends to pick teams and play a game or sport. You might choose a traditional sport, like soccer or basketball, or a team relay race, like egg on a spoon.
 - b. Whatever game you play, fully commit to your team! Cheer on your teammates with encouragement and enthusiasm! If your team is behind, keep offering positive reinforcement to your teammates. If you are winning, keep your comments positive, as well. Show good sportsmanship toward the opposing team.
 - c. After the game, talk about how it felt to encourage your teammates and to receive that encouragement from others. Did being a team player make the game more fun? Did you feel like a success, regardless of the final score?
4. Keep score. (Discover, Connect)
 - a. When playing the game for Step 3, keep score.



- b. When the game is over, discuss winning and losing with your Brownie friends. How does it feel to be a winner or a loser? Do you prefer to play games where everyone wins? Are you a competitive person by nature? How can you be kind and competitive at the same time?

5. Have a field day. (Discover, Connect)

- a. Together with your Brownie friends, plan a field day! Choose the games you will play and establish the rules for each. Select a location where you can spread out and safely play. Ask an adult to referee your games so that every Brownie can play. Decide if there will be prizes, ribbons, or medals for winners and figure out how many you need. Once your plans are set, play!
- b. After your field day, discuss your favorite parts with your Brownie friends. Did you like the planning or competing best?
- c. For more fun, host a field day for your families or for a Daisy troop. (Take action)

Brownie Troop 2153 in Olathe recommends earning the badge by playing a round of Putt Putt Miniature Golf!

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For more ideas, check out our Brownie Fair Play Badge Pinterest board:

<https://www.pinterest.com/gprograms/brownie-resources/badge-fair-play/>

When you're finished: Congratulations, you have earned your badge! You can purchase by emailing shopdept@gsksmo.org or at <https://www.girlscoutshop.com/BROWNIE-FAIR-PLAY-BADGE>

You can purchase your Girl Scout Virtual main patch and bars at gsksmo.org/orderpatches.

