

#### **Gardener**

# **Badge Overview**



Through earning this badge, Juniors will learn how to plant and maintain their own garden.

# **Badge Components**

# 1. Visit a garden

Take a stroll through the neighborhood and look at your neighbor's gardens or the plants in the garden beds at a local park. As you walk think about how the plants are arranged, what colors they used, and how it all fits together.

## 2. Explore garden design

Think about the garden you visited and what your dream garden would look like if you could plant whatever you want. Sketch out your ideas on paper; be sure to add color.

#### 3. Learn how to choose garden plants

Visit the webpages below to learn about what plants are native for our area and grow well in our climate.

- O Florida-friendly Plant Database
- O South Florida Plant Guide

#### 4. Experiment with seeds

Ask your parents if they have any seeds that you can plant. If not, try out fresh vegetable seeds from the kitchen.

O Check out this **video** about planting seeds.

## 5. Grow your own garden

Take your seedlings outside and plant a garden with your family. You can always add more to it as it grows.

# **Materials**

- Paper
- Pencil
- Crayons, color pencils, or markers
- Seeds
- Internet access

# Florida Educational Standards

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