



# CITIZEN

# Third Grade Journey Day

February 13, 2026

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### Aligned to our Portrait of a Comet, this day reinforces:

- **Making Meaningful Contributions** – Students see how their actions—small or large—can create ripples of change.
- **Building Relationships that Matter** – Students collaborate with others to make a positive impact.
- **Your Story Matters** – Students learn that their identity, experiences, and passions can be used in service to others.
- **Owning the Moment** – Students take responsibility for being present and purposeful with their gifts.

## Missions

Required

### Complete your required "Citizen" Journey Mission:

1. Finish your "My Circle of Care" Mission box.
2. Draw a picture on the front of your Journey Day postcard of you showing care as a citizen.
3. Write a sentence on the back of your postcard describing how you can make a difference by showing care as a citizen!

### Family Connection Questions:

- Who is someone we could show care for as a family unit?
- How can small actions make our home or school better?
- What's one caring action you noticed today?



## Quests

Optional

Quests are special Journey Day experiences offered by community partners. These optional experiences reflect our belief that growing citizens begins in a Connected CommUNITY. Quests help students see how their gifts and interests can make an impact beyond the classroom, while building relationships with those who support and inspire them.

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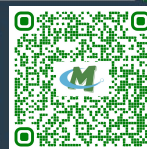
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## Expeditions

Optional

At the bottom the Mission Page, you'll find our [Citizen Expeditions](#), optional activities that let students extend their learning in fun and meaningful ways. Each expedition is an opportunity for your third grader to explore this Journey Day's theme, practice important skills, and use their gifts in creative ways. Students may choose any activity that interests them and complete it at their own pace.

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# Fourth Grade

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## Missions

Required

### Complete your required "Citizen" Journey Missions:

1. Finish your "My 20 Square Feet" Mission box.
2. Draw a picture on the front of your Journey Day postcard of you showing care as a citizen.
3. Write a sentence on the back of your postcard describing how you can make a difference by showing care as a citizen!

### Family Connection Questions:

- What is a small change you'd like to make in your space at home or school?
- How can we support your Citizen Action Plan?
- What's an action our family could take together to help our home or community?



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# K-6 MODIFIED EXPEDITION CHOICE BOARD

On each Journey Day, choose activities from your choice board that help you practice **Portrait of a Comet** skills.

Mark or fill in each square as you go so that you can share with your classmates!

 <p><b>Adaptability</b></p>	 <p><b>Critical Thinking</b></p>	 <p><b>Integrity</b></p>	 <p><b>Communication</b></p>	 <p><b>Empathy</b></p>
<p>Draw a picture of yourself trying something new</p>	<p>Help put groceries away in the correct place</p>	<p>SCHOOL Choice Activity!</p>	<p>Order your own lunch or dinner at a restaurant</p>	<p>Complete a job around the house for someone who needs help</p>
<p>Listen to new music or make up a new dance to your favorite song</p>	<p>Put a new puzzle together</p>	<p>Pick up your room without being asked</p>	<p>Practice introducing yourself to family members or friends</p>	<p>Choice Activity!</p>
<p>Try a new food or activity</p>	<p>Help with cooking for lunch or dinner</p>	<p>Clean off the table after dinner</p>	<p>Choice Activity!</p>	<p>Write a kind note or draw a picture to share with someone</p>
<p>Choice Activity!</p>	<p>Complete an art project with something at home (beads, macaroni, paint, etc.)</p>	<p>Do something kind for a family member</p>	<p>Call or FaceTime a family member or a close friend</p>	<p>Take care of a family pet</p>
<p>Practice paying for groceries at the grocery store</p>	<p>Choice Activity!</p>	<p>Put away your own laundry</p>	<p>Take turns when playing a game with someone you know</p>	<p>Help someone without being asked</p>