## Being a Patriot

Being a patriot means caring for and protecting my country. It means being appreciative that our country, the United States of America, is beautiful and prosperous. It means showing respect, which can be saying the pledge of allegiance or voting if you're old enough. There are many ways I show kindness and loyalty to my country. I can do something as simple as picking up litter in my community, volunteering my time for those in need, or displaying the flag on my front porch. Another way I show my patriotism is being in a military family. Military service members and their families dedicate their lives to the United States. At times, it can be difficult for military families, but they boldly serve and protect our country. When I grow up I will choose a profession that will allow me to show my patriotism to the United States of America.