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I try being a good citizen and friend by helping others who are in need. I help people by giving them advice and helping them through their problems. I help these people in need because I would want someone to do the same for me if I was in need. Sometimes people need a shoulder to cry on, and my shoulder will always be there for anyone especially if I care deeply for them even if they wouldn't do the same for me or if they have been mean to me in the past. Being there for someone could change the way they see things or the way they feel about you. I try being a good citizen and friend by being there even if they're at rock bottom. At this time where I can't see my friends and some of my family, I check up on them even if they're perfectly fine. Always be there for people because it could change both of your lives.

#### Natalee Case, 8th, Surgoinsville Middle, Mrs. Hensley

I try to be a good citizen by helping. First, I would recycle all of my cans and then I would throw away all of my paper plates. Next, I would help everyone who gets bullied. Last, I would see if anybody is having trouble at home and see if I can help them. What would you do to help or just be a good citizen?

#### Aliyah Begley, 4th, Miller Perry Elementary, Ms. Jeffers

The way I would be a good friend or citizen is I would send out cards to check on people, especially during this time. In fact, my church group is making cards for the elderly people in my church. We are decorating and mailing them. We told them we are praying for people to stay safe and healthy. I love that my church and I are doing this. I think it is a great way to be a good friend or citizen.

#### Landee Bledsoe, 5th, Shoemaker Elementary, Ms. Garrett

I am a good friend because I will help and share with my friends. If my friend falls, I will give them a Band-Aid and rubbing alcohol. When one of my friends needs help on a math problem I will help them. When one of my friends needs a pencil I will get it for them. These are some ways I can be a good friend.

#### Ellie Duncan, 2nd, Hilton Elementary, Ms. Edwards

I try being a good friend and citizen by helping when it is needed, being there for people all the time, and lastly, I help people with their work sometimes. Helping when needed is a HUGE characteristic to have. Not all people are able to do something that you are, and if you help them, it could make their day. Secondly, being there for people all the time is another huge characteristic to have. All people need help at some point and time, so why not give them that help? It will make you feel better as a person, I PROMISE. Lastly, helping people with their work is just a good thing to do. Being a Good Samaritan will come back later in life to help you out. You never know...

#### Noah Graziano, 8th, Surgoinsville Middle, Mrs. Hensley

If a friend or a citizen needed help, I would help them. The way I would help them is let them come and play with me. I would let them pick the game. That is what I would do!

Avery Vineyard, 2nd, Hilton Elementary, Ms. Edwards

# How are you a good friend or citizen?



If you want to be a good friend then maybe help them out. If they are nice to you, thank them. Really just let them know you appreciate them. Being a good citizen is one thing but being a good friend is lasting; it can make a mark that can change someone's entire life!

#### Samuel Rushing, 4th, Miller Perry Elementary, Ms. Jeffers

There are many ways you can be good to people around you. You could send them a letter and ask them if they are okay. I remember once someone I knew just sent me a letter and I felt like someone was thinking of me. One of my favorite things to do is make cookies or fudge. It doesn't always have to be something big. You could just smile or wave. That makes people's day. Many things can make many people happy. What will you do to make someone happy?

#### **Campbell Skinner, 4th, Miller Perry Elementary, Ms. Jeffers**

It's very important to be kind to other people. You can give them flowers. You can give people food if they need it. You can help friends get back together. I love being a good friend.

#### **Avery Bruner, 2nd, Rock Springs Elementary, Mrs. Charlton**

I am friendly to other people by sharing with them. If someone is in a hurry, I will let them go before me. I open the door for my dad when he brings in drinks. When someone is in line behind me, I let them skip me. This is what I do to be friendly.

#### Holden Huff, 2nd, Hilton Elementary, Ms. Edwards

There are many ways I am being a good friend and citizen. I am being a good friend by not telling anything my friends tell me. I am also helping my friends that aren't the best at video games get good at them and succeed in them. I am being a good citizen by listening to all that is being said and following the new guidelines for social distancing.

#### Peyton Taylor, 8th, Surgoinsville Middle, Mrs. Hensley

If you aren't a good friend, then I have some good tips. The first thing I would do is talk to them. You should help them do stuff they can't do very well, like monkey bars. You should share with them so they will play with you. If they get sick, you should call them to see how they feel. Every once in a while you should call and check on them. Listen to this advice and you will be a very good friend.

#### Abigail Barker, 2nd, Hilton Elementary, Ms. Edwards

I try to be a good friend by being nice. Also by being caring. I try to be a good citizen by following the law. Also by helping my nana and papaw. That is how I am a good friend and citizen.

Jayden Morgan, 4th, Miller Perry Elementary, Ms. Jeffers

Being a good citizen is what everybody should strive for, but not everybody does the same things as one another to be a good citizen. I, for one, try to help people out as much as possible. I currently work as a bus boy so there isn't a shortage of workers, and everything turns hectic when the restaurant gets busy. Staying out of trouble is something I try to do because slowing society down and taking away money and public services just for thrills wouldn't make one a good citizen. I also show kindness to my neighbor and the people around me because there wouldn't be a point in doing all the previous acts if I was cold shouldered to the people in my life. Many people show that they're a good citizen in their own way, but these are just some of the ways that I show that I'm a good citizen.

#### Kyle Casas, 8th, Surgoinsville Middle, Mrs. Hensley

Three ways I am trying to be a good friend and citizen are I'm social distancing, washing my hands, and covering my mouth when I cough or sneeze. Social distancing will be able to stop this virus, and it makes everyone a better citizen and friend so people don't get sick. When I wash my hands, it helps slow the spread of the virus. Finally, when I cover my mouth when I cough or sneeze, it slows the spread of it too. These are three ways I am being a good friend and citizen.

#### Zachary May, 8th, Surgoinsville Middle, Mrs. Hensley

How I would be a good friend is I would never leave my best friend. I would always play with them every day. If they were sad I would always be there for them. I would eat lunch with them every day. I would invite them to all my birthday parties and sleepovers. I would invite them to the park with me and my sister. I would give them a friendship bracelet because we would be best friends forever. I would play with them at recess. I would give them a hug whenever they have to go home. That's the kind of friend I would be.

#### **Anabele Fleenor, 2nd, Rock Springs Elementary, Mrs. Charlton**

Three ways I'm being a good citizen are I cover my sneezes and coughs, I practice social distancing, and I wash my hands more than once a day. These ways may sound like common things we should do, but some people don't do them and spread all kinds of germs. I feel that if people would just do these three simple things, our current situation would start dwindling down.

Scarlet Barton, 8th, Surgoinsville Middle, Mrs. Hensley

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