

Spark Initiative Patch & Challenge

What is the Spark Initiative?

A Spark Initiative student does the right thing without being asked. Leadership begins with a spark!

Who can earn this patch?

Ignite Karate kids and teens who are not yet black belt rank.
Ignite Capoeira kids and teens who are not yet blue cord/graduated rank.

How do I earn the patch?

To earn the Spark Initiative Patch, complete the following, spread out over the course of three months. See the last page for a suggested way to track.

At Home (Choose 3)

- Clean or organize something in your home without being told
- Take care of personal responsibilities (personal bedroom or belongings)
- Help a sibling or family member without being asked
- Use kind words and a calm voice
- Do an extra chore voluntarily
- Other: _____

In Learning Spaces* (Choose 3)

- Invite someone to join you
- Help a classmate understand something
- Volunteer to try a hard problem
- Begin a group task without waiting
- Stand up kindly for someone
- Start schoolwork without reminders
- Practice your extracurricular activity without being asked
- Other: _____

Community- Virtual and/or in-person Communities (Choose 1)

- Hold doors / help carry items
- Write a thank-you note
- Help a neighbor
- Volunteer
- Other: _____

In Karate/Capoeira Class (must consistently display all of the following)

- Follow teacher's instructions
- Be respectful to the instructor and classmates by being a good listener
- Try my best even if a move is hard
- Encourage my classmates
- Help class by demonstrating moves when asked
- Show good control of my body during class
- Show good respect to myself by staying focused on the class

*"Learning Spaces" is meant to include a variety of learning scenarios such as: in-person school, virtual school, homeschool, co-ops, virtual and in-person extracurriculars such as music lessons, sports, scouts, classes on other learning platforms, etc.



Spark Initiative Challenge

Name: _____

Using the table below, describe how you showed initiative and qualities of a leader each month by giving a specific example.

Month	Home (one per month)	Learning Spaces (one per month)	Community (one total)	Ignite Class (every month)
1				
2				
3				

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Ignite Instructor Signature: _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____