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## My Flag

### READ:

Flags tell stories! The Chicago flag's stars represent important events in the city's history. The blue stripes stand for waterways, and the white stripes for where people live. Each of us has important times in our lives and which can look to as we remember, the good, the challenges, and the fun. Consider some of these events in your life. What might your flag look like? Don't forget to consider the colors, the symbols, and the way it is arranged all help tell the story.

### DO:

What does your flag look like?

- **Talk** to your family.
- **Write** down some of the events that could be represented on your flag.
- **Draw** your new flag!
- **Make it** out of construction paper, tissue paper or fabric scraps from around your house!

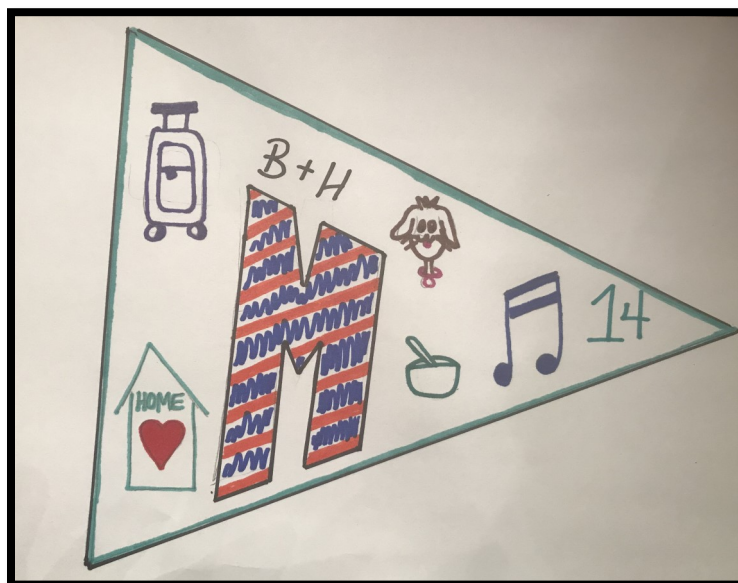
**Approx. Time:** 30—45 minutes

#### Materials:

- ⇒ Paper/pen
- ⇒ Drawing materials
- ⇒ Optional: other craft materials, glue, construction paper, etc.

### SHARE:

- **Hang** a picture of your flag in your windows or on the fridge for all to see!
- **Post** a picture of your new flag on Twitter or Instagram with the hashtag #CHMatHomeFamilies!



"My Flag" sample by an Educator at the Chicago History Museum.