

GIRL SCOUTS *of Cranford*

Flag Ceremony

for Township Hall Presentation of the Colors

Have the color guard in the back of the room, ready holding the flags. The US Flag is on the right, then State flag, then Troop flag on the left as the color guard is facing towards the front of the room - or, US Flag in front, followed by State, then Troop flag if you have one.

The Cranford Township Clerk will introduce the Troop and ask everyone to rise.

Once everyone is standing, begin the ceremony.

Leader: "Color Guard, Attention!" (*stand up straight*)

Leader: "Color Guard Advance!"

The Color Guard walks forward toward the podium. Leader should wait for color guard to reach the front before saying....

Leader: "Color Guard Please Present the Colors!"

State and Troop flags stop. US Flag crosses in front of other flags to left-most flag stand (as viewed from the audience), then State flag advances, then Troop flag. Wait for flag bearers to move to the flag pole stands.

Leader: "Please join in saying the Pledge of Allegiance!"

After this is where the ceremony can be customized by the scout in charge. Choose what to recite. You could sing a song such as 'America the Beautiful'...Afterward the leader says...

Leader: "Color Guard, Post the Colors"

The Color Guard Walks to the back of the room. And then the leader says...

Leader: "Color Guard, Dismissed!"

Leader: "Audience, Please be seated!"

Your troop is all done and can take the flags out the side door. If you are not staying in the room to watch the proceedings, please make a quick and silent exit.