Chapel Hill Math Circle – Beginner's Group 11.3.18

The Game of Stix

This game can be played with 2, 3, or 4 players. You will need to use a special set of 55 playing cards and 5 sticks.

- 1. After shuffling the deck, put one card in the center of the table face up. This is called the "set up" card.
- 2. Arrange the sticks to resemble the pattern on the set up card.
- 3. Deal each player five cards, face down. Each player is allowed to look at their cards.
- 4. All of the other cards are kept face down. This will be the pile you draw from.
- 5. The first player plays be moving one stick to make a new stick pattern that matches on one of their cards. The pattern can be a reflection or a rotation of what is on their card.
- 6. If they are able to match one of their cards, put the card face up on top of the set up card.
- 7. If they can not match a card, draw a new card from the pile.
- 8. Each person must take a turn before someone takes a new turn.

For the first game, show everyone else your cards so they can help you!

