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GIRL SCOUT PROMISE

*On my honor, I will try:
To serve God and my country,
To help people at all times,
And to live by the Girl Scout Law.*

18 under 18


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Girl Scouts
at home

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Our **digital** program is here! Head over to our website to read about all the fun activities happening this fall and winter!



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calendar

OCTOBER 2020

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|-----------------|---|
| 01 | Take the Lead Registration Open |
| 10 | FALL Leadership Weekend |
| 23-25 | National Council Session – <i>Virtual</i> |
| 31 | Juliette Gordon Low's Birthday |
| TBD | Service Unit Cookie Program Training – <i>Virtual</i> |
| TBD | Winter/Spring 2020 Troop Camping Registration Opens |
| Oct 16 - Nov 15 | Fall Product Program |

NOVEMBER 2020

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| 01 | Scholarship Applications Open |
| 16 | Deadline for Troop Home Delivery Requests |
| 26 | Thanksgiving: All Shops and Service Centers Closed |

DECEMBER 2020

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| 01 | Volunteer Awards Ceremony |
| 04 | Troop Initial Order due in ABC Smart Cookies |
| 07 | Deadline for SUCM's to Edit or Enter Troop Initial Orders in Smart Cookies |
| 30 | Deadline for Leaders to Register Girls for "Bronze Award Completion" for Membership Year 2020 |
| 30 | Gold Award Final Report and Interview Deadline for 12th Graders (Just Graduated) |
| 30 | Silver Award Reflection Deadline for 8th Graders (Following 8th Grade Year) |
| Dec 25 - Jan 01 | All Shops and Service Centers Closed |

JANUARY 2021

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| 04-17 | Home Deliveries and Mega Drops |
| 11 | Service Unit Camporee Lottery Opens for Fall 2020 (tentative) |
| 15 | Round 1 GSUSA Destination Applications Due |
| 18 | GSEP MLK Day of Service |
| 21 | Cookie Program Begins and Kickoff |
| 22 | Girl Delegate & Advisor to the Board Applications Due |
| 31 | Scholarship Applications Deadline |
| 31 | Deadline for girls to earn Go-Getter Patch |

FEBRUARY 2021

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| 2 | GSUSA Destinations Begin Rolling Admission |
| 22 | World Thinking Day |
| 19-21 | National Girl Scout Cookie Weekend |

MARCH 2021

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| 02 | Take the Lead Greater Philadelphia |
| 07-14 | Girl Scout Week |
| 14 | Last day of Cookie Program |
| 22 | Spring Delegate Meeting |
| 30 | Gold Award Proposal Deadline for Current 12th Graders |
| 31 | Troop Recognition Orders Due in ABC Smart Cookies |
| TBD | Spring Skills Sampler |

APRIL 2021 Volunteer Appreciation Month

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| 01 | Spring Renewal Registration begins |
| 02 | SUCM's Deadline for Recognition Orders in Smart Cookies |
| 06 | Take the Lead Berks County |
| 22 | Girl Scout Leader Day |
| 28 | Take the Lead Lehigh Valley |

MAY 2021

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| 01 | Annual Meeting |
| 01 | Silver Award Proposal Deadline for Current 8th Graders |
| 31 | Memorial Day: All Shops and Service Centers Closed |
| TBD | Silver Award Ceremony |
| TBD | Gold Award Ceremony |

JUNE 2021

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| 20/21 | Camp Begins (tentative) |
| 30 | Early Bird Registration Deadline |

JULY 2021

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| 04 | All Shops and Service Centers Closed |
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AUGUST 2021

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| TBD | Adult Camping Weekend |
| TBD | Fall Kickoff |

SEPTEMBER 2021

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| 06 | Labor Day: All Shops and Service Centers Closed |
| TBD | Fall Delegate Meeting |
| TBD | Delegate Training |



All programs, events, and dates are subject to change based on evolving COVID-19 pandemic regulations. Please visit the events calendar on our website for a full and updated list of our council-wide events.

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MICHELLE & VINCE SORGI

Michelle and Vince Sorgi exemplify exactly what it means to lead with courage, confidence, and character. They have been longtime financial supporters of Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania, and have served as Co-Chairs for our Take the Lead Committee in the Lehigh Valley for two consecutive years. Through the last few years, Vince has partnered with his company, PPL Corporation, while using his community connections in the Lehigh Valley to advocate and fundraise for GSEP, and PPL has even been a Presenting Sponsor at TTL Lehigh Valley for several years. In addition to serving as a TTL Committee Co-Chair, Michelle generously volunteers her expertise and serves as an important volunteer troop leader for Troop 06700 and a Service Unit Registrar of SU722.

GSEP was able to interview Michelle and Vince to gain a broader understanding of what Girl Scouts means to them and why they continue to support our mission.

Question: Why do you support Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania?

The Sorgis believe that Girl Scouts provides girls with unparalleled opportunities they may not otherwise be able to experience, such as camping, visiting a TV newsroom, or meeting successful women in their community. “These experiences may just spark something in the girls and encourage them to investigate something new,” Michelle says.

Question: How has Girl Scouting impacted your family?

Michelle points out that everyone in the Sorgi Family is involved with Girl Scouting in one way or another and due to the wide array of activities offered, other members of the family have even been able to share in some of their experiences at GSEP.

Question: Michelle, what's your favorite thing about being a troop leader?

As a troop leader, Michelle has seen GSEP's mission in action. She has enjoyed seeing the girls in her troop, a few of whom she has known since Kindergarten, flourish and become strong individuals who are confident and compassionate.

Question: What is something about Girl Scouts that you wish more people knew?

Michelle wants people to know that although girls learn valuable skills through the Cookie Program, Girl Scouting is about so much more than selling cookies; it's about leadership, empowerment, and having the confidence to be who you are to truly make a difference. In addition, Vince teases, “If you freeze Girl Scout cookies, they lose all of their calories!” (GSEP cannot confirm this claim).

The Sorgis make quite a dynamic duo for Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania, and our organization is very fortunate to have two volunteers and donors, among many others, who represent our mission. Because of Michelle and Vince's generosity and commitment, GSEP is able to provide our girls with the unique, life-changing experiences Michelle describes, and for that, we are grateful.





18 under 18

Read through the pages of “18 Under 18” and you will meet some very impressive girls. Their actions exemplify the **Girl Scouts Promise and Law** and demonstrate how it helps them be successful at home, in school and in their communities.



Kara O.

Age 12 • Troop 7275
Montgomery County
Bronze Award • Cookie Boss

Tell us about a time you “helped people at all times” by giving back to your community.

For our Bronze award, my troop and I gave back to the community by collecting and making food for the homeless. We also collected hats and gloves for the winter and toiletries. It was our way of giving back to our community.

How have you exercised being “considerate and caring” in your troop and with fellow Girl Scouts?

I exercised being considerate and caring in my troop when we went camping. We like to fool around, but sometimes people get hurt. I try my best to help them in any way possible. If they get scared, I tell them everything is okay and stay with them. If they have a problem, I hear them out. If they need encouragement, I am in their ear telling them, "don't give up!" If they are sad, I give warm hugs.

Being “courageous and strong” is a very important part of the Girl Scout Law. When has Girl Scouts pushed you out of your comfort zone to do something new and exciting?

At first, I was scared to do the Mosey Wood rock wall but when I climbed it, my Girl Scout sisters were cheering me on to make it to the top. It was hard, but I didn't give up. I almost made it to the top of it. I was so proud of myself for not giving up and being strong with my Girl Scout sisters.

How has Girl Scouts impacted your self-esteem and helped you to be “respectful of yourself and others”?

Girl Scouts has impacted my self-esteem and helped me to be respectful of myself and others. My Girl Scout sisters and I are very different from each other, but their differences make me who I am and make me feel welcomed and happy to be around. They are like my family.

“...my Girl Scout sisters were cheering me on...”

If you could spend the day with any historical Girl Scout sister or female figure, who would it be and why?

I would spend a day with Taylor Swift. I am interested in finding out about her Girl Scouts experiences and about her music career. I would like to find out if being in Girl Scouts gave her the confidence to become a singer.

“Girl Scouts has impacted my self-esteem and helped me to be respectful of myself and others.”





Stella P.

Age 9 • Troop 93547
Philadelphia County
Top Cookie Seller • TTL Raffle
Rover • Cookie Boss

The Girl Scout Law includes being “courageous and strong”. What is one courageous thing you’ve done with your troop, in school, or in your community?

I participated in Take the Lead for 4 years. This year, I was a raffle rover. I went around to explain the different raffles we had. I was nervous the day of, but after asking two people I felt more courageous. I had a good night talking with everyone. It’s my new favorite job! I can’t wait until next year to do it again!

“Respect myself and others” is a very important part of the Girl Scout Law. How do you show respect for yourself and for your sister Girl Scouts?

I respect myself by believing in myself. Sometimes I second guess myself, but I always follow through with what I wanted to do! I respect myself by following through. I respect my sister Girl Scouts by listening to what they have to say. I make sure they have my full attention!



Anusha S.

Age 17 • Troop 7271
Bucks County
MY20 Girl Delegate • 2020
National Council Session
Delegate • Past TTL Presenter •
TTL Emcee • Trifecta Award

The Girl Scout Promise starts with “I will try”. Tell us about an experience you’ve had where you had to try many times before you succeeded. What did you learn and how did it make you better?

I burned my first batch of cookies. I learned from my failure that a lot of time and effort go into things that seem simple. My appreciation for little things in life grew. Even though cookies seem easy to make, I know, firsthand, they aren’t.

If you could get coffee with any historical Girl Scout sister or female figure, who would it be and why?

I would have coffee with Florence Nightingale because of her influence in the medical field. The sanitary system she introduced is incredible; greatly impacted the way doctors and patients interacted, influenced patient recovery time, and reduced overall death count. Florence Nightingale is an inspiration to me, and her accomplishments make her stand out as a strong woman that I would love to meet.





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Sara R.Age 11 • Troop 8709
Northampton County

The Girl Scout Law includes being “courageous and strong”. What is one courageous thing you’ve done with your troop, in school, or in your community?

This year, I became an Ally to Stand up to Bullies. I am also the Student Council Vice President. In these roles, I try to lead by example in showing the other students how to be kind to others. For example, I helped an injured student prepare for her day, showing others that they can be caring.

“Respect myself and others” is a very important part of the Girl Scout Law. How do you show respect for yourself and for your sister Girl Scouts?

I show respect to myself by learning to not care what others think about me. I also show myself respect by working hard in school to be a good student and eating healthy. I respect others by respecting their beliefs and their perspectives. I try hard to listen to others and to not judge them.

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Emmeline C.Age 7 • Troop 902
Philadelphia County
Cookie Boss

In the Girl Scout Promise, Girl Scouts say they will “help people at all times”. When was the last time you helped someone and how did it make you feel?

Whenever I go on a walk, I take a trash bag and pick up trash. It makes me feel good to clean my neighborhood and help the planet.

The Girl Scout Law includes being “courageous and strong”. What is one courageous thing you’ve done with your troop, in school, or in your community?

I don't like performing in front of others, but I wanted to share a book with my classmates, so I recorded a video. I read "Sofia Valdez Future Prez" to my class because she created a park from a trash pile. It was scary to record, but I was proud that I did a scary thing to share the story.

“I learned from my failure that a lot of time and effort go into things that seem simple. My appreciation for the little things in life grew.”





Sydney V.

Age 10 • Troop 7891
Montgomery County

Bronze Award • TTL Color Guard

In the Girl Scout Promise, Girl Scouts say they will “help people at all times”. When was the last time you helped someone and how did it make you feel?

During the pandemic, I made face masks. Making face masks to donate to those in need made me feel like I made an impact on that person's ability to be safe.

Being a sister to every Girl Scout is the last line of the Girl Scout Law. Who is your favorite historical Girl Scout sister or your favorite female figure and why?

My favorite female figure is Gertrude Elion. Elion majored in Chemistry and graduated from college at the age of 19. She discovered the first effective compound against childhood leukemia which eventually would make leukemia one of the most curable cancers and win her the Nobel Prize. As my favorite historical Girl Scout sister, she is both inspiring and a trailblazer, like me.



Nadia K.

Age 14 • Troop 753
Montgomery County

Bronze Award • Silver Award

The Girl Scout Promise starts with “I will try”. Tell us about an experience you’ve had where you had to try many times before you succeeded. What did you learn and how did it make you better?

In dance class, I learned new choreography. I didn't quite get it on my first try like some of the others in the class. So, I went home that night and practiced until I knew it. I learned that I'm not always going to get everything the first time and practice makes perfect.

Using resources wisely is important for your community and the planet. How have you helped the environment in your time as a Girl Scout?

I love taking care of the environment. We forget that the earth is our home. I try and do my part in cleaning up by picking up any trash I see and use less plastic water bottles. I will use more reusable bottles!

“During the pandemic, I made face masks. Making face masks to donate to those in need made me feel like I made an impact on that person's ability to be safe.”





Cassandra S.

Age 16 • Troop 5426

Delaware County

Bronze Award • Silver Award

Using resources wisely is important for your community and the planet. How have you helped the environment in your time as a Girl Scout?

In my robotics team, we made a big shift in our design process. We completely prototyped our design before we made a final product. Previously, we would get so excited about our idea we would make the final product and it wouldn't work. This would mean tons of material would be wasted. When we made the change to more prototyping, we would use many parts we already had to reduce waste.

If you could get coffee with any historical Girl Scout sister or female figure, who would it be and why?

I would want to meet Mae Jemison, the first black woman ever to travel into space. It was hard enough being a woman and getting into the space program. She must have been incredibly resilient to have faced all those challenges and still made it into the space program.



Amara D.

Age 8 • Troop 5408

Delaware County

Cookie Boss

Part of the Girl Scout Law includes “using resources wisely”. How have you helped improve the environment and your community by using resources wisely?

This year I had lots of cookie boxes and I used them to make art in my basement, to store my toys, and to build a fort. We took them down every time and used them again for a different project. Once we couldn't use them anymore, we recycled them.

Being a sister to every Girl Scout is the last line of the Girl Scout Law. Who is your favorite historical Girl Scout sister or your favorite female figure and why?

My Aunt was a Girl Scout and I look up to her. She used her Girl Scout tools to be an engineer. Now she helps people by making pieces that doctors use in people's bodies.





Emily D.
Age 6 • Troop 3241
Carbon County

In the Girl Scout Promise, Girl Scouts say they will “help people at all times”. When was the last time you helped someone and how did it make you feel?
I like to visit my great Grandmom in her nursing home and hand out Girl Scout cookies to the residents. It makes them smile.

“Respect myself and others” is a very important part of the Girl Scout Law. How do you show respect for yourself and for your sister Girl Scouts?
I respect others by being a friend to all and helping those in need. It might just be a hug that makes a difference in someone’s day.



Lena C.
Age 10 • Troop 3801
Carbon County

The Girl Scout Law includes being “courageous and strong”. What is one courageous thing you’ve done with your troop, in school, or in your community?
Our town does Christmas Caroling every year. I do not like talking in public so singing was SCARY! One of my Girl Scout Sisters stayed with me and was able to help me get the courage to sing with everyone and help others have a magical night.

“Respect myself and others” is a very important part of the Girl Scout Law. How do you show respect for yourself and also for your sister Girl Scouts?
For the past two years, I grew out my long hair and just recently donated it for the second time to Wigs for Kids. I love helping others see how beautiful they are inside and out. My mom showed me a picture of a Girl Scout that received a wig and how happy it made her.

“I love helping others see how beautiful they are inside and out.”





Anja B.

Age 9 • Troop 2153
Bucks County
Cookie Boss

The Girl Scout Law includes being “courageous and strong”. What is one courageous thing you’ve done with your troop, in school, or in your community?

I am courageous because I am staying home to keep others and myself safe from the coronavirus.

“Respect myself and others” is a very important part of the Girl Scout Law. How do you show respect for yourself and for your sister Girl Scouts?

Everyone is different and that is a good thing. I like to hear others’ opinions and the way they think. I also share my thoughts and differences.

“Everyone is different and that is a good thing. I like to hear others' opinions and the way they think.”



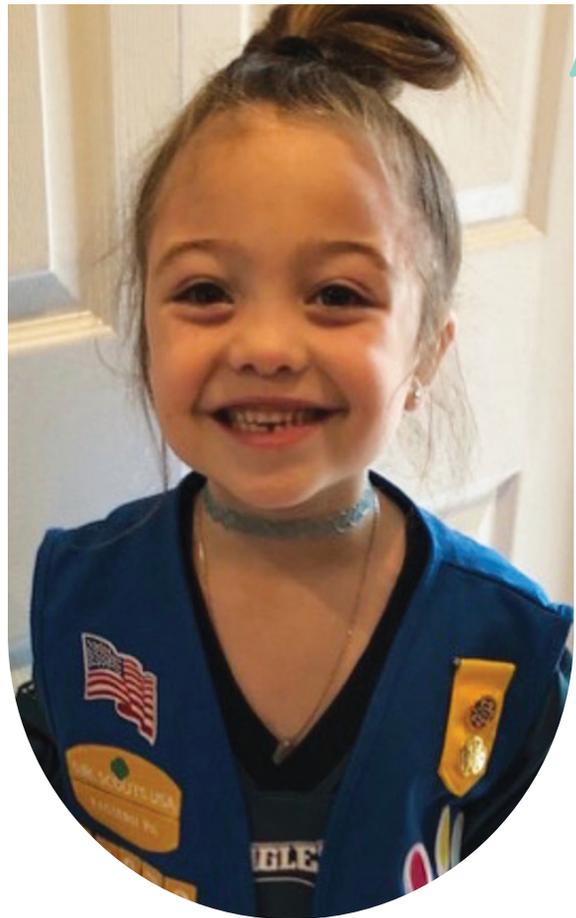
Adrianna G.

Age 6 • Troop 21872
Bucks County

In the Girl Scout Promise, Girl Scouts say they will “help people at all times”. When was the last time you helped someone and how did it make you feel?
I like to help my mom get the mail, put away groceries, and help her plan activities for my Girl Scout troop.

Being a sister to every Girl Scout is the last line of the Girl Scout Law. Who is your favorite historical Girl Scout sister or your favorite female figure and why?

I look up to my teacher, Beth Jones, who teaches my kindergarten class. Beth does a lot for us and cares so much. I miss her so much and I can’t see her because of coronavirus, but she still shows me how much she cares about me and my class every day.





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Devyn S.

Age 15 • Troop 7188
 Montgomery County
 Bronze Award • MY21 Girl Delegate • 2020 National Council Session Alternate Delegate • Silver Award



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Ava D.

Age 13 • Troop 11068
 Berks County
 Bronze Award • Cookie Boss • Silver Award • TTL Social media

Being “courageous and strong” is a very important part of the Girl Scout Law. When has Girl Scouts pushed you out of your comfort zone to do something new and exciting?

Girl scouts has pushed me out of my comfort zone in many ways. An example would be going out into the City and helping to feed the homeless people. I've never experienced anything like that. I was very nervous at first but then I realized how much of an impact I was making, and it made me feel excited.

How has Girl Scouts impacted your self-esteem and helped you to be “respectful of yourself and others”?

Girl scouts has impacted my self-esteem and helped me to be respectful to myself and others by showing me that I should always stay true to myself. I should stand up for what I believe in and I should help others even though it is not the most popular thing to do.



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Kaelyn S.

Age 13 • Troop 7287
 Montgomery County
 Bronze Award • Silver Award

Tell us about a time you “helped people at all times” by giving back to your community.

This year, I will be cleaning up Evans Elementary with my troop. For my Bronze Award, I helped plant seedlings and helped with the Eco-store (recycled items for sale) at Althouse Arboretum in Pottstown. I try to help people I see that need assistance. I am always ready to help people in my community.

If you could spend the day with any historical Girl Scout sister or female figure, who would it be and why?

I would choose Katherine Johnson. She was a mathematician who calculated orbital mechanics as a NASA employee, and she led the success of the first and subsequent U.S. crewed spaceflights. People in her day judged her by her skin color, but that did not hold her back from doing amazing things in a male-dominated career.





1

Mikayla H.

Age 17 • Troop 21809
Bucks County

MY20 Girl Delegate • MY21
Girl Advisor to the Board •
2020 National Council Session
Delegate • Trifecta Award • TTL
Social Media

The Girl Scout Promise starts with “I will try”. Tell us about an experience you’ve had where you had to try many times before you succeeded. What did you learn and how did it make you better?

One of the things I most enjoy doing is writing music. I started my first song in eighth grade. Through this process, I learned to trust my judgment and how to express myself. It made me a better person and artist because I am now more confident in my abilities.

If you could get coffee with any historical Girl Scout sister or female figure, who would it be and why?

I would love to get coffee with Ruth Bader Ginsburg. She is one of my biggest role models for her accomplishments as a female lawyer, Associate Supreme Court Justice, and activist for gender equality. Her strength, determination, courage, and intelligence inspire me to strive for continuing and growing the movement that she helped to start.

2

Emma S.

Age 15 • Troop 2105
Bucks County

Bronze Award • MY20 Service
Unit Delegate • MY21 Girl
Delegate • Silver Award

The Girl Scout Promise starts with “I will try”. Tell us about an experience you’ve had where you had to try many times before you succeeded. What did you learn and how did it make you better?

I am a competitive Irish dancer. Competition after competition, I was falling short in the scoring. I met with my dance teachers, I worked with them to create a new routine and practiced every day. At my last competition, I earned first place. I learned to persevere in the face of a difficult challenge and to enjoy hard work.

Tell us about a time you pushed yourself out of your comfort zone and practiced being “courageous and strong”.

I am terrified of heights! After camp, I was disappointed that I did not overcome my fear. When I was on vacation with my family, I remembered the feeling I had after camp, so I went ziplining. It was fun and terrifying, but I was proud that I finally did it!



5 REASONS EVERY GIRL SHOULD BE A #COOKIEBOSS

- 1 Join the largest girl-led business IN THE WORLD**
 This 103 year-old program is a Girl Scout tradition and provides important resources to sustain Girl Scouting in Eastern Pennsylvania. Who'd want to miss out on this!
- 2 Become your own boss**
 Learn the determination, confidence, and vision it takes to set goals and reach them.
- 3 YOU decide how to use your cookie recognition and troop's cookie proceeds**
 Travel the world, help out a charity or those in need, take on adventures at Girl Scout camp, or set your sights on some amazing prizes! It's up to YOU!
- 4 Be VIP for a day**
 Join the 500 Club and enjoy a special event with a plus one!
- 5 Sell 1,000+ boxes and enter the Cookie Boss Class of 2021**
 As a Cookie Boss, you'll be celebrated throughout the year (and with a very special party). Who knows, you may even be on TV!



Beyond all that, you'll gain skills in money management, how to talk to people, and business ethics. The 2021 Cookie Program begins on Thursday, January 21st, and ends on Sunday, March 14th. And don't forget, individually registered girls and Girl Scouts of all ages can participate in the Cookie Program! Check out the Cookie Boss Class of 2020 on the next page!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- OCT. 2020** ..SUCM Training (TBD)
- JAN. 9-17** Cookie Mega Drops
- JAN. 21** Cookie Program Begins and Kickoff
- FEB. 27-28** ..National Girl Scout Cookie Weekend
(more information to be announced)
- MAR. 14**.....Last day of Cookie Program



Learn more! Visit the cookie section of our website for more info.



GSEP Cookie Boss CLASS OF 2020



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In the following pages, you'll meet 710 girls who raised the bar and reached their goals! These go-getters each sold 1,000+ packages of cookies, which earned them a spot in the prestigious Cookie Boss Class of 2020. These #CookieBosses deserve a shout out for their excellence in all areas of Girl Scouting—from traveling the world to earning their Gold Award!

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Mason H., Troop #5103
Mckylah F., Troop #5501
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Molly M., Troop #9744
Moriah Joy L., Troop #2345
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Naomi G., Troop #704
Olivia H., Troop #9934
Paige C., Troop #1724
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Raychel A., Troop #91176
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Riley B., Troop #7819
Rosemary J., Troop #8225
Sally M., Troop #8472
Samantha R., Troop #97234
Sanai A., Troop #9696
Shanir F., Troop #9069
Shannon A., Troop #21031
Simone J., Troop #9696
Sophie L., Troop #741
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Gillian P., Troop #91531
Grace M., Troop #9744
Hanna M., Troop #6846
Jalynn J., Troop #91433
Jamie H., Troop #5156
Janaya C., Troop #9785
Janys S., Troop #2175
Jenna S., Troop #9744
Julianne T., Troop #8220
Kara H., Troop #874

Kayleigh S., Troop #37
Kiah Z., Troop #7271
Krista W., Troop #1625
Laura H., Troop #5042
Michelen D., Troop #5092
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Nialah M., Troop #5251
Noor B., Troop #7102
Phebe Anne W., Troop #874
Priya C., Troop #91433
Rachael T., Troop #9517
Rachel O., Troop #2012
Samantha S., Troop #5042
Samya B., Troop #91649
Sereina W., Troop #91
Serena W., Troop #91433
Shana B., Troop #51129
Sky B., Troop #63486
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Trinity P., Troop #2974

Want to join this group of inspiring **G.I.R.L.'s**? Participate in the 2021 Cookie Program and make sure to bring your A-game and Girl Scout smile to every cookie-selling opportunity you find. With hard work and determination, you could be featured in these pages next year as a member of the Cookie Boss Class of 2021!



FALL PRODUCT PROGRAM

— October 16 - November 15 —

The Fall Product Program is back and better than ever!

Help to raise important funds to sustain Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania.

Starting October 2020, **GSEP** will be partnering with **M2 Media** and **Trophy Nut** for a new online-only product program. Troops will have the option to opt-in and participate in this high-proceed opportunity.

Through the virtual system, with enough features to create over 3 billion unique avatars, each Girl Scout can design an avatar of her very own likeness. She can then use it to record a personalized video or audio message to send to family and friends from her own computer or smart phone, with the help of a grownup, encouraging them to help her reach her goals.

Family & friends will have the option to shop for magazines, nuts, chocolates, and even make a donation to support their favorite Girl Scout! **Look out for more information coming your way about our exciting Fall Product Program!**



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G.I.R.L. AGENDA

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A nonpartisan initiative to inspire, prepare, and mobilize girls and those who care about them to lead positive change through civic action.

The year 2020 has already fundamentally changed the way we do things: attend school, participate in faith services, and go to Girl Scout troop meetings. We have endured a global pandemic, racial tensions, and natural disasters. These situations have not been completely resolved, but we have emerged stronger because we have worked together to persevere and withstand these experiences. Girls have been on the forefront of being part of the solution to these challenges.

Why? Because they are **G.I.R.L.s**.

When you're a **G.I.R.L. (Go-getter, Innovator, Risk-taker, Leader)**[™] you do great things. You believe in taking action and righting the wrongs you see. You believe we are more powerful together than we are apart.

Stand Up. Step Up. Get Involved.

You, too, can be part of the **G.I.R.L. Agenda**, a nonpartisan initiative to inspire, prepare, and mobilize girls and those who care about them to lead positive change through civic action. All the good deeds you do—the Bronze, Silver, and Gold Award projects you complete or the Take Action community service you work on—are part of the **G.I.R.L. Agenda**.

Whether you're being a good neighbor, participating in school activities, addressing concerns in the community, or taking your quests for positive transformation to the local, state, national, or international level, **you are the catalyst for change**.

Get Inspired. Get Prepared. Get Mobilized.

Visit the Civic Engagement section under the About page at girlscouts.org for more info & suggestions!

Want to see girls in our own region Stand Up, Step Up, and Take Action? Check this out:

Troopmates Katie M. and Kiki L. both had phenomenal ideas for their Gold Award projects about how to transform a local park: Katie had a vision of making the park handicapped accessible so kids like her

could easily play with their peers, and Kiki wanted to allow the children's service dogs (and dogs in general) a safe place they could run free while being close to their owners. Their dual goals have become a reality in summer 2020!

But, what did the girls discover was necessary for their dream to come to fruition? They had to partner with North Whitehall Township in Lehigh County and work with various departments in local government to make it all happen.

Interacting with elected officials and administrative civil servants was quite a learning experience for them. Kiki explained that she has "really learned how our community works, and that is pretty cool. You get to go to meetings and see how the town is run and how the township officials listen to the community members."

Katie described the process of gaining approval for the park updates: "There's a lot of groups, committees, and staff I've had to go in front of and basically sell them on the idea first, including the North Whitehall Board of Supervisors, the Township Manager, the Township Engineer and the Park and Recreation Board." Kiki also shared that she "was surprised that all these folks are part of local government." She added, "I didn't think that there would be that many different people involved."

Because the girls had to talk with so many varied groups, they ended up with a lot of practice sharing the story and goals for the park. Katie said that working on this project with local authorities has "allowed me to come out of my shy shell and taught me to be more communicative because I've had to advocate for myself and others. I've had to do it to get what the park needs."

Kiki agreed with her troopmate that working on a community development plan like this has also helped her build her communications abilities. She explained that "we were really nervous presenting to the Township Board of Supervisors the first time,

but this experience has helped improve my public speaking skills.” The girls had to be prepared for every meeting with their information, data, and goals. Kiki added, “I was really shy, but now I can go up to anyone and talk about the project.”

Both Girl Scout Ambassadors agree that “the people in the township have really been champions for us. Even in the pandemic, we have not stopped and we can actually see the park develop before our eyes.”

Katie explained that working with government can be frustrating at times, but ultimately rewarding. She said that “The hardest time has been the wait times. For a long time, it was only paper, paper, paper. To get to construction, it’s very exciting.” When asked if she had any advice for girls who want to work with government officials on other civic-minded projects, Kiki said “I would tell them there will be bumps in the road, but don’t give up! In the end, it will come together. It will happen!”

The girls are excited that after three years of dreaming, planning, and working on their Gold Award projects, Phase I of the development of Kolapechka Park is scheduled to be complete by the end of July 2020. North Whitehall officials have already asked Katie and Kiki to stay involved as advisors during Phase II and III.

One of the results of this type of Gold Award project is that the girls have developed an appreciation for how local government runs. Kiki explained that “I think this has influenced me to do more in the future. Because now I know how the township works and what is necessary to bring a plan to fruition.”

Katie added that being a leader for such an involved public works project has also had an impact on her future. She explained that “As a younger kid, I had to sit on the sidelines while my friends played” [on traditional playground equipment]. But, she wants to broaden and deepen her influence in this arena. She has already decided to pursue multiple degrees in education so that she can be a strong “advocate for my students to allow them to be inspired to do something like this in the future.”

These two young women are definitely the epitome of how Girl Scouts can be civically engaged to change their community and the world into a better place.



G.I.R.L. AGENDA



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Are you ready to raise your voice, influence change, and speak up on behalf of girls?

Each year, three girls are selected as Girl Advisors to GSEP's Board of Directors. **Girl Advisors** hold seats at the table during meetings of the Board of Directors, where they provide girl insight and perspective on important matters. Thirty girls are also selected as Girl Delegates to represent the nearly 40,000 Girl Scouts in GSEP's nine-county footprint. **Girl Delegates** weigh-in on important issues at Delegate Meetings and vote on new policies and procedures at GSEP's Annual Meeting.

There are many benefits to becoming a Girl Advisor or Girl Delegate. You'll get a pin for your vest or sash, opportunities to network with volunteers and Board Members, plus hands-on experience practicing parliamentary procedure and public speaking. Additionally, Girl Governance positions look great on a college application or resume.

Girl Advisors Nya C., Brianna D., and Sydney M. shared what they've learned about participating in Girl Scout governance here at GSEP:

- Be confident with your thoughts and don't be afraid to ask questions. Have courage; your voice matters!
- The experience you will have will open your eyes to the governance process of an organization and teach you amazing life skills.
- This position is one of the most rewarding opportunities that you will ever have. I never thought that I would enjoy talking about Bylaws, but after being on the board, I became extremely passionate about them.

To be eligible, girls must be **14 years old by May 1, 2021** and must be registered as active members when they submit their application. Check out the Governance pages on GSEP's website later this fall for the link to the online application!



Girl Advisors to the Board, Sydney M. (left), Brianna D., and Nya C. (right) before attending a special event featuring Retired National CEO Sylvia Acevedo.

Have you noticed that the first part of the Girl Scout Promise includes serving our country?

On my honor, I will try:

To serve God and my country,

To help people at all times,

And to live by the Girl Scout Law.

One way to start on that path is to learn about how our country works and this year is the perfect year to do that! There are lots of patches and badges to earn that encourage girls to explore how our government functions:

Scout the Vote

Another major event happening in 2020 is the election this November. Elected officials will be chosen at the national, state, and local levels. The election process and news cycle provide a vivid backdrop to develop positive values (Discover), feel connected to your community (Connect), and educate and inspire others to act (Take Action).

Now is the time to earn your Scout the Vote patch!

By earning this GSEP-created patch, girls of all age levels will learn what it means to be an informed, involved citizen participating in a democracy. The purpose of this K-12th grade patch program is to engage and empower Girl Scouts to understand the voting process in a patriotic non-political manner, eagerly anticipating their right to vote, and encourage and enable women to exercise their right to vote.

Check out the program on our website! www.gsep.org



NEW Civics Badges from GSUSA!

Once you've earned GSEP's Scout the Vote patch and become an expert on elections, check out GSUSA's brand new Democracy badges! Girls will gain an in-depth understanding of how local, state, and federal government works, preparing them to be voters, activists, and, potentially, political leaders.

Every age level has something different to learn and experience:

- Daisies begin learning about the people who work together in their government.
- Brownies find out how people in the government decide what rules are made and how they are followed.
- Juniors learn more about how their government works—from their town to the state to the whole country.

- Cadettes find out new things about their government—how each branch works, how they work together, and how each piece makes a difference in society.
- Seniors expand their knowledge about how their local, state, and national government works.
- Ambassadors become experts on local, state, and national government—and prepare to use that knowledge to inform their voting.

Check out all the new badges on our website: www.gsep.org/newbadges



COOKIE PROGRAM MERCHANDISE

Get ready to Bling Your Booth or Drive-Thru Booth with items available for pre-order in our shops!

Deadline for orders is November 13, 2020

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- Buttons
- Cookie Tote
- Car Magnet
- Thank You Bags (bundles of 25)
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Car Magnet – \$10



Cookie Tote – \$14



“Cheer” Table Cloth – \$20

“Cookie” 6’ Table Cloth – \$30



Yard Signs – \$16



Buttons – \$1.50



6’ Troop Banner – \$45

Email us at retail@gsep.org for more details.

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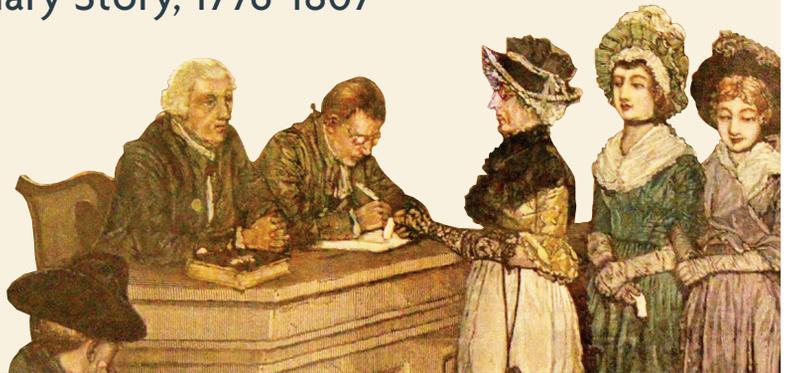
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WHEN WOMEN **LOST** THE VOTE

A Revolutionary Story, 1776-1807

Did you know, more than 100 years before the passage of the Nineteenth Amendment, women legally voted in New Jersey? Or that their right to vote was taken away in 1807?

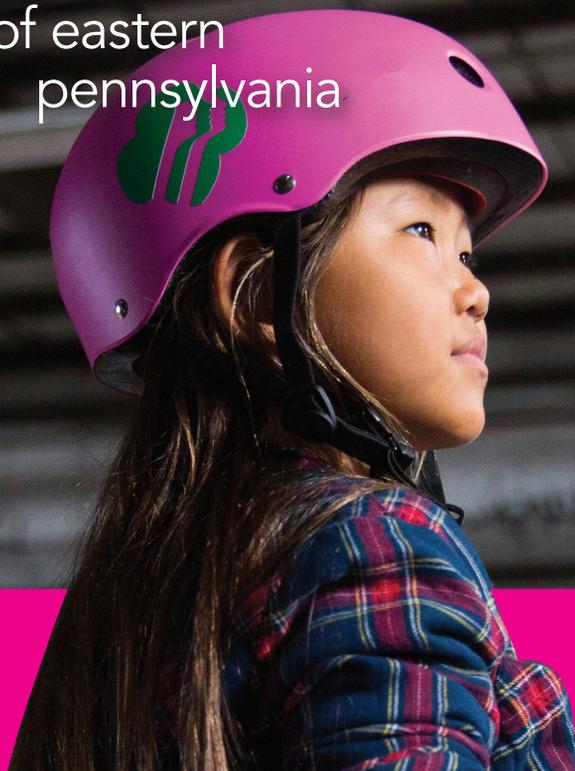
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What's Missing from Spark?

YOU!

Want to see you and your troop in the pages of next year's Spark or across our digital platforms? Send us your photos! Show us the amazing things your troop is doing out in the community and beyond.



Troop 6007 built a Blessing Box for their community to help those in need. It was placed in Emmaus, PA stocked with donations such as toiletries, non-perishable food items, jackets, hats, scarves, gloves, blankets, and socks. People in need can stop by the blessing box at any point during the day to take any item(s) they are in need of. The box will be re-stocked by troop 6007 throughout the year.



Troop 4204 made over 60 dog ropes from t-shirts and over 100 healthy homemade dog biscuits for the dogs at the Brandywine Valley SPCA. They were able to tour the facility and feed the treats to all of the dogs there. They were also able to give one of the ropes to a newly adopted dog who was leaving with his new family that day and he wasn't letting go of that rope! The girls were thrilled!



Troop 2636 completed its first Junior Journey on Power of I, Team, and Community. The following month they were placed in quarantine due to Covid-19 and decided to run a food drive in their community to help, while practicing social distancing. Within a day they collected a full cars worth of food and toilet paper.



Brownie Troop 2296 created bags of dry dehydrated foods for homeless children.

SEND US YOUR STORIES!

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CREATIVE CORNER

Use S.T.E.M. and your creativity to create something new!

Create your own Slime!

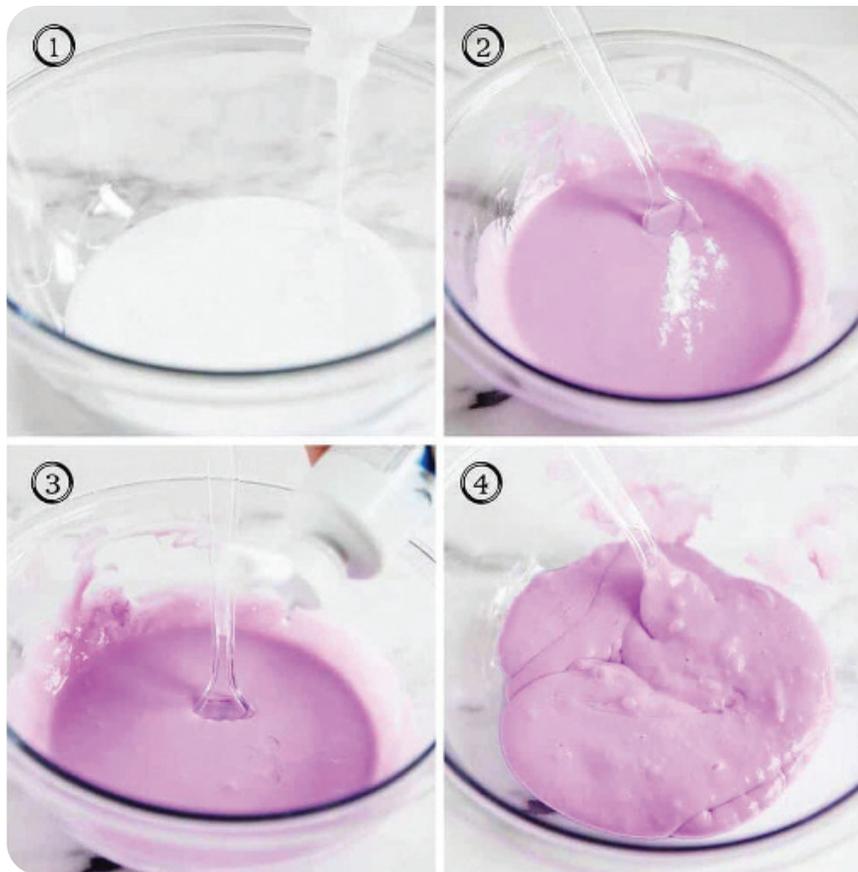
Why go out and buy what you can make right at home?! Mix up a batch of your own sticky, slimy, science-filled creation!

SUPPLIES

- 8-ounce bottle Elmer's white school glue
- 1 1/2 – 2 Tablespoons saline solution, use more as needed
- 1 Tablespoon baking soda
- Food coloring –optional

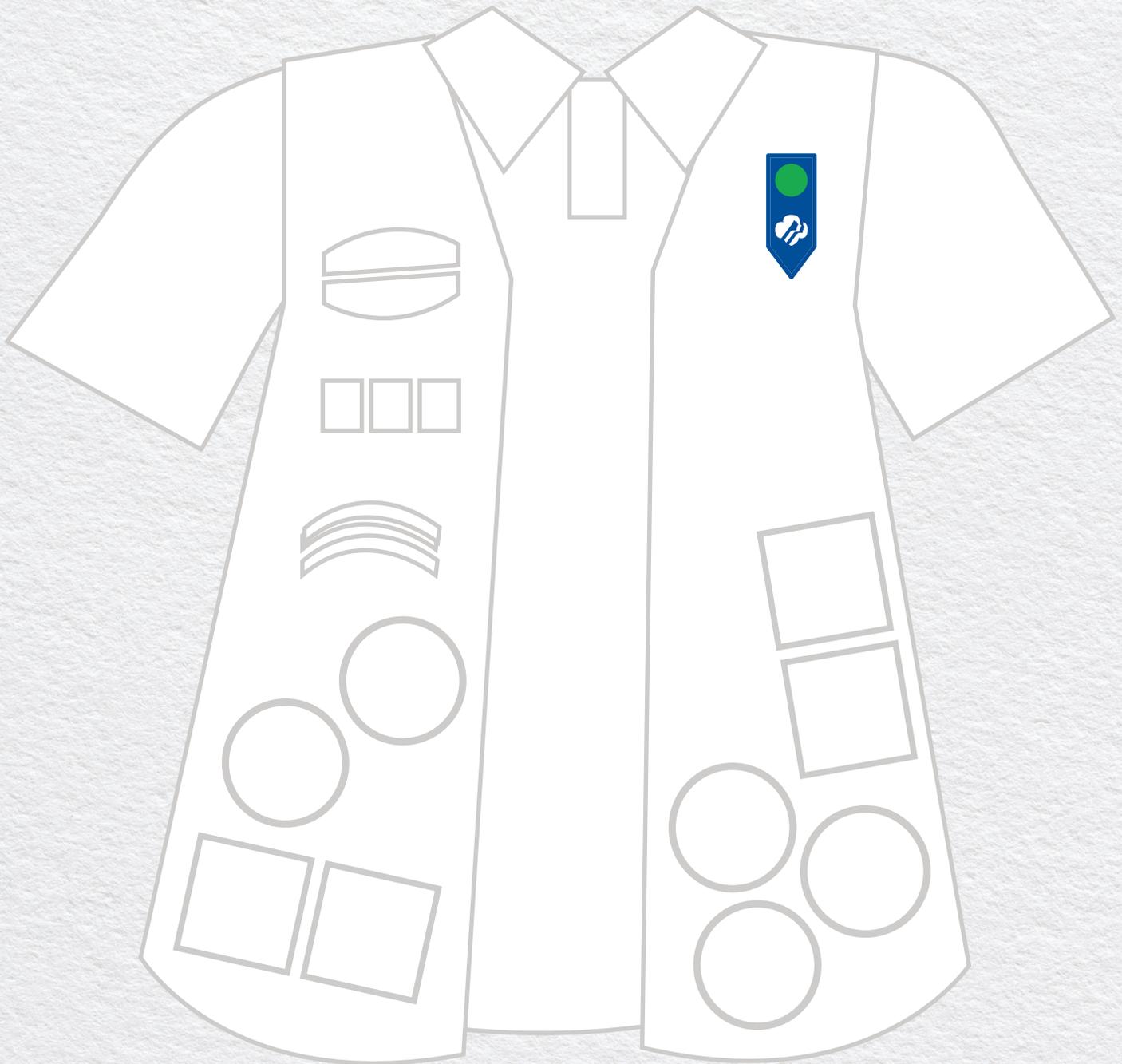
INSTRUCTIONS

1. Add glue to bowl. Squeeze the bottle of glue into a bowl (photo 1). Add your food coloring if desired and stir until combined. Then mix in baking soda (photo 2).
2. Mix in saline solution. Add 1 1/2 Tablespoons saline solution and mix until combined (photo 3). If it's too sticky, add 1/2 Tablespoon more solution at a time. The more you add, the thicker it'll be. The less you add, the slimier it'll be (see texture in photo 4).
3. Knead the slime. Using your hands, knead the slime until it holds together. It will be wet and gooey at first, but just keep kneading until it all comes together.



What makes you a Girl Scout?

What does your Girl Scout vest look like? Color in the Girl Scout vest with your favorite badges you've earned!



Colored pencils or crayons work best for coloring on this paper.

GIRL SCOUT WORD SEARCH

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My Girl Scout Year

Troop 9161



“My favorite part of Girl Scouts was learning about Daisy Gordon Low and what the flowers represent. I also liked the snacks.” – **Maci B., Daisy**

“My favorite part about Girl Scouts is the badge activities at our meetings and the fun stuff we do. The part I miss the most is the activities and cookies.” – **Jessica C., Brownie**

“My favorite part of Girl Scouts was meeting new friends. The part I miss the most is going to the meetings and learning new things.” – **Shayla M., Brownie**

“My favorite part of Girl Scouts is seeing my friends and crafts. The part I miss the most is Mrs. Maya.” – **Jabreaya N., Daisy**

“My favorite part of Girl Scouts is selling cookies. The part I miss the most is seeing all my friends.” – **Londyn R., Brownie**

“My favorite part of Girl Scouts is the great snacks. The part I miss the most is snacks.” – **London S., Brownie**

“My favorite part of Girl Scouts is drawing pictures. The part I miss the most is all my friends.” – **Makayla S., Daisy**

“My favorite part of Girl Scouts is camping, arts and crafts and earning badges. The part I miss the most is my Girl Scout family.” – **Sophia S., Daisy**

“My favorite part of Girl Scouts is the arts and crafts projects. The part I miss the most is my friends.” – **Aubrie T., Daisy**

“I have learned so much about Girl Scouts and I have learned tremendously from the girls.”

– **Sakiera N., Troop Co-Leader**



Badges we've worked on:

- ◆ Good Neighbor
- ◆ Brownie Quest
- ◆ Making Friends
- ◆ Brownie GS Way
- ◆ Money Manager
- ◆ My Best Self
- ◆ My Promise, My Faith
- ◆ Meet My Customers
- ◆ Household Elf
- ◆ World Thinking Day 2020
- ◆ My Family Story
- ◆ Snacks

Bronze Award Project

Minli M. – Troop 4204

I learned many new things from my amazing Bronze Award experience! My troop decided that we all wanted to earn the Girl Scout Bronze Award, then we got to work choosing and agreeing on a project. We chose to help our local SPCA by creating handmade dog toy ropes and dog treats. The hard work started when we had to collect multiple green and white t-shirts. Someone was very kind when they heard about what we were doing and donated some t-shirts to help us make the ropes. We had to figure out what kind of dog rope to make, so that the dogs wouldn't be able to chew through them. Once we figured it all out, we got to work by turning the green and white t-shirts into very long strands of fabric. At one of our Girl Scout meetings, we taught the girls in our troop how to make the ropes. Immediately, everyone got started! After weaving some of the dog ropes, we cooked up dog treats using a recipe provided by the SPCA. When our Girl Scout meeting was over, each girl took some of the ropes and supplies home to finish the rest. When all was said and done, with everyone's help, we were able to create 90 ropes! All our hard work and cooperation really paid off!

Finally, it was time to drop the ropes and treats off to the SPCA! One day, two adults from our troop (thanks, Mom!) picked us up after school and told us we were headed straight to the SPCA. When we got there, everyone was so excited and happy. After we were greeted in the lobby, a very nice lady welcomed us and gave us a whole tour around the SPCA facilities. As she was giving us the tour, I learned that there was a lot more to taking care of the animals than I thought! There were many charts for each animal and duties for each worker or volunteer during their shift.

One of the best parts of the tour was when we got to see all of the adorable cats. We even got to see one cat get adopted! We were all so thrilled to see it find a new home. We then got to witness a dog being adopted! The adopted dog was playing with one of the ropes we made while wagging its tail happily. Afterward, we gave our homemade treats to the dogs, making sure each dog got an equal amount. Luckily, we had made over 100 dog treats, which was more than enough! When we were all done feeding the dogs, we got to make more treats at the shelter. The treats were made by taking two milk bones and spreading peanut butter in between to make a cute sandwich treat. The SPCA then put the treats into the

freezer and distributed them to the dogs once the treats were frozen. After making the treats, it was time to leave. We were all sad to leave because we had such a great time there, but we also felt happy because we got to see and do many fun things.

A few days later, my mom and I dropped off a card I made and some Thanks-A-Lot Girl Scout Cookies to show how thankful and appreciative we were to visit and help the SPCA. I grew from this whole experience! I found that learning, having fun, and achieving your goals are all a part of growing up and being a Girl Scout! My entire troop learned new things, had lots of fun with the animals, and worked very hard to earn our Girl Scout Bronze Award. The project impacted us by giving us new perspectives and different opportunities that others might not have. My advice for future Bronze Award Girl Scouts is this: if you work hard enough, you will achieve your goals, just like my troop did!



Silver Award Project

Myah D. – Troop 1797

Right now the world is full of uncertainty, in 2020, we are in the middle of the COVID-19 pandemic. I never would have thought that I'd make such a difference as a 12 year old girl during this scary time.

My Girl Scout Silver Award journey began when one of my troop leaders reached out to my family. She is an EMT, she told us that PPE (personal protective equipment) was running low. She was scared that there wouldn't be enough masks to keep her and her coworkers safe. I searched online for a pattern to make a mask, and found one. It wasn't quite what I needed, the EMT's were asking to have some made with a pocket in them to insert a disposable filter. It took a few tries, but I got it to work!

I donated my first 40 masks to a nurse to share with her unit, she said to me "You could be saving lives, not just ours as nurses, but our patients as well." This really hit home with me, it was a powerful statement. I decided to keep making masks...

Word spread quickly that I was making masks and donating them to essential workers, people were asking how I was making them. With a stay at home order in place it was hard to explain how to make them, I couldn't just go to my friends' houses to show them. I had to think outside of the box, so I started a blog, myahscreations.wordpress.com, with a kid friendly tutorial on how to make my masks. Someone saw my blog and shared it with the local news, this was exciting, but then lots of requests started pouring in. I used the power of social media for good and started a Facebook page, "**Myah's Simple Masks**" to help get the word out about what I was doing and keep track of my requests.

Things were going smooth, I was helping hospitals, first responders, and essential workers all over. We ran into a little problem... Nurses were working long hours and their ears were getting blisters from wearing masks. I found a 3D pattern for "ear guards." I used my Facebook page to see if anyone locally had a 3D printer and would be willing to help make them. It worked a local couple started making them to share! I also posted about Rainbow Loom bands to help with ear pain, local Girl Scouts jumped into action making hundreds of them! This was amazing, the community was coming together to help me with my project!

I felt like I was on top of the world making a difference! I was receiving letters and supplies in the mail from complete strangers. People were even writing to me telling me that I inspired them to make masks for their families and neighbors! My heart was full...

I have learned so much from this experience, it's not about the amount of hours you put into it, it's what you get out of it. I've learned more from this than just how to sew a mask. I've learned about community networking, letter writing for donations, time and money management, and social media safety. I even started a fun patch program to encourage other Girl Scouts to join in!

I am prouder than ever to be a Girl Scout. I've made over 1,200 masks, and found a silver lining during this scary uncertain time.



Gold Award Project

Emma W. – Troop 1897

I began my Girl Scout Gold Award project, called “1, 2, 3, Vote!” in 2017. This project was inspired by my AP research project on the college vote in 2016, and was designed to help get more young people to vote by educating high school students about their rights as voters, voting procedures, and why their vote matters. For the project, I distributed over 200 voter registration applications at voter registration booths, and in November, I gave a voter-education presentation on Career Day 2018 to over 300 juniors and seniors at my high school. I collaborated with my state senator, Judy Swank to introduce legislation in January 2018 that would automatically register young drivers to vote when they turn eighteen, and similar legislation introduced later that year! Finally, I shared my voter information sheet and PowerPoint presentation with all 952 public high schools in Pennsylvania, which could affect roughly 125,000 high school seniors yearly.

The root cause of the issue my project addressed is a lack of education. Young citizens do not know their rights as student voters, so they cannot actively participate in civic engagement opportunities as much as they may want. High school students need to be taught their rights as student voters before they go on to post-secondary education, the workforce, or military because they need to start good voting habits early.

More than anything else, my Gold Award taught me that I am more capable and organized than I thought. For example, I never thought I would be proposing and working on voter legislation before I was old enough to vote, but that turned out to be one of the easiest parts of my project and it was definitely the most unexpected! In addition, I realized that I am more willing to work hard to achieve my goals than a lot of kids my age. I am also more open to seizing opportunities when they present themselves. For example, when I attended the Girl Scout Governance event in Philadelphia, I met Ashley Biden and Carolyn DeWitt, President of Rock the Vote, and spoke with them about my project. Both generously offered to help me in various ways, and I was even invited to help Rock the Vote rewrite their voter education materials this summer. It is amazing what can happen if you just put yourself out there and share what you are doing. Finally, I learned that, although I am interested in politics, I do not want to be a politician. Far too much time is spent getting elected rather than getting things done, which I would find way too frustrating. Overall, working on this project has been

extremely satisfying because I know I have made—and will continue to make—a difference in building the political power of my peers.

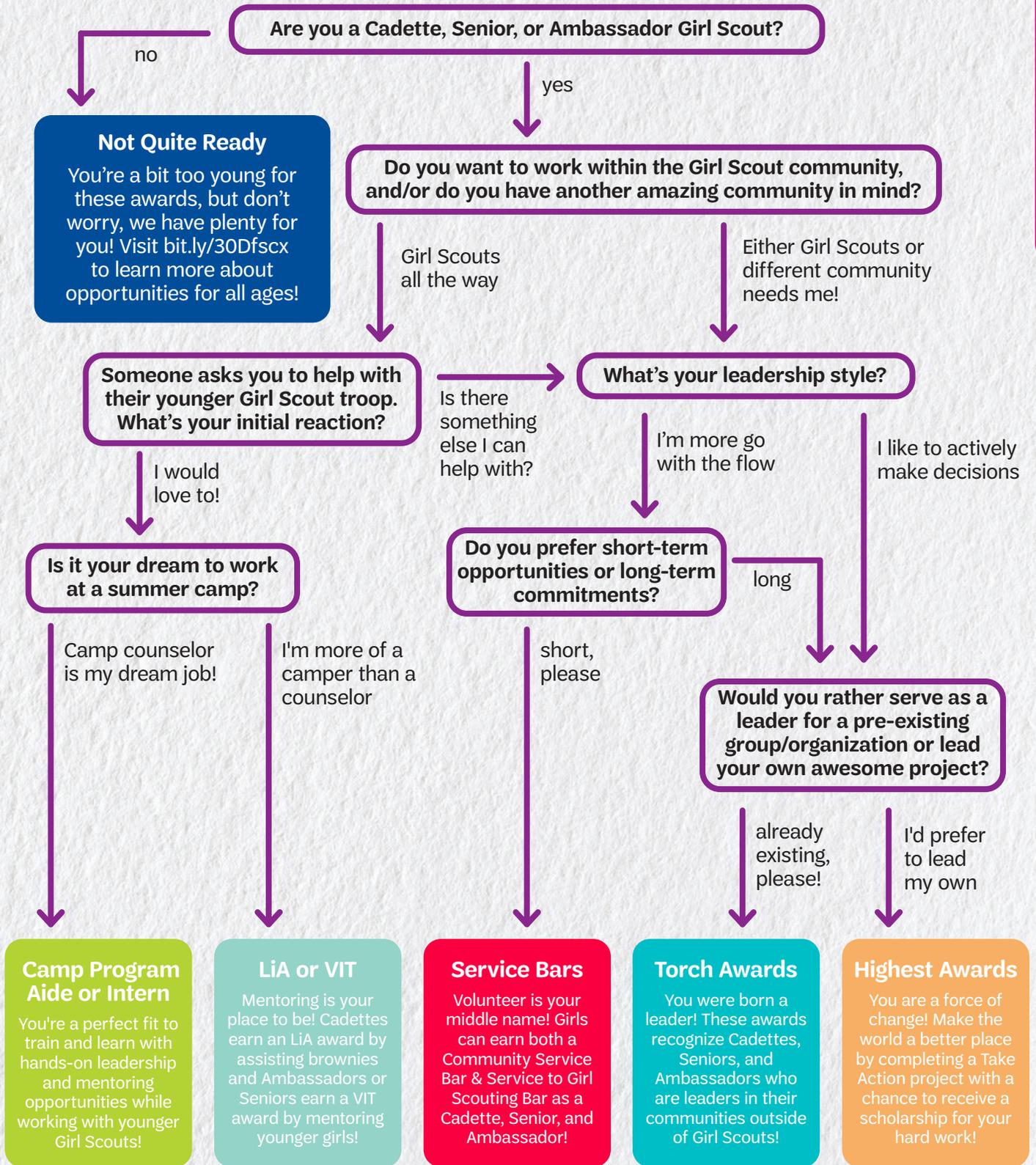
My advice for younger Girl Scouts is start your Gold Award early, as in freshman or sophomore year. Juggling a Gold Award, AP classes, and the college application process is not something you want to be doing at the same time. This also gives you so much more time to grow your project to something bigger than you ever imagined. Have confidence in yourself and your project because you can do so much more with this than you know.



“ It is amazing what can happen if you just put yourself out there... ”

Which Girl Scout Award are You?

One of the most amazing things about Girl Scouts is all the incredible opportunities available to Older Girl Scouts! There are so many awards made for G.I.R.L.s like you! Wondering which of these awards you're most suited to earn? Use our quiz below to find out!



A Day in the Life of a Girl Scout



Brianna D.

Cookie Boss, MY20 Girl Advisor to the Board, 2020 National Council Session Delegate, Past TTL Presenter, Trifecta Award, TTL Girl Co-Chair

Favorite Activities:

Dance, Soccer, Track & Yoga

A lot of her time after school is filled with practices & rehearsals

Passions:

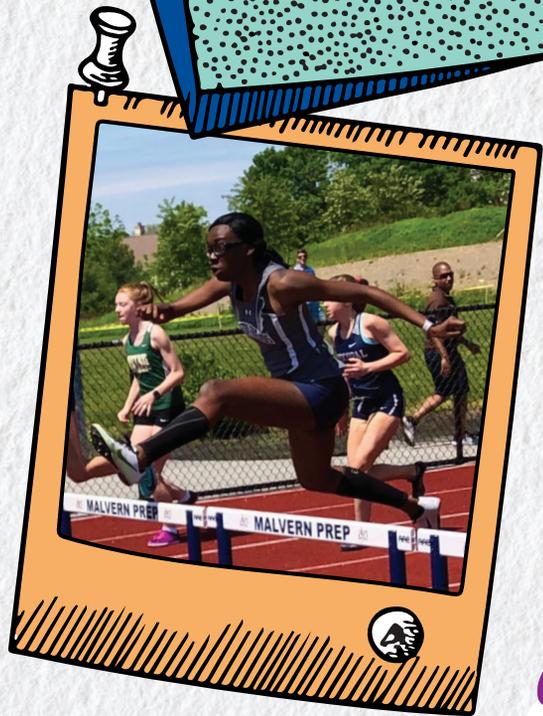
Engineering Activities

Enjoys attending the Engineering Program at Villanova University on the weekends

Helping Younger Girls

Her troop meets on Mondays to help younger girls in the dance studio she attends

They have project days and help the girls earn badges



“Being a leader in the Girl Scout world is my proudest accomplishment”



Advice for Girls

Balancing Multiple Activities

"Learn to reach out to adults, communication is key!"

"It's okay to take a break from activities and try new things or cut down on how many hours you spend each week on an activity or hobby"

Girls entering High School

"Take advantage of trips your school offers"

"Don't feel pressured to know what you want to do right away"

Girl Scouts Participation:

Girl Advisor & Delegate

Attend Board Meetings and sometimes Delegate Meetings right afterwards

TROOP TRAVEL

MELANIE T. AND PARIS G. – TROOP 9696

There are so many ways to travel with Girl Scouts! Whether you attend a GSUSA Destination, plan a trip with your Girl Scout troop, or travel on a GSEP Sponsored Trip, it'll be an experience of a lifetime! Girl Scouts Melanie T. and Paris G. have taken advantage of many Girl Scout travel experiences – let's hear more about their adventures!

My name is Melanie T. and I am a rising Junior at J.W. Hallahan Catholic Girls' High School in Philadelphia. I have been in Girl Scouts since I was a Daisy. I am currently a member of Troop 9696. I have been able to use my cookie sale proceeds and the Older Girl Travel Plan to travel internationally to South Africa in 2019 and I'm looking forward to traveling to Canada next! I have also gone to Beach Jam and Great Wolf Lodge thanks to the Girl Scout Cookie Program. This year, I sold about 2,400 packages of cookies at more than a dozen cookie booths which will help fund future travel!



Boulders Beach, Cape Peninsula, Cape Town: This was one of my favorite stops during our trip to South Africa. While here, I learned that Boulders Beach is home to a colony of African penguins that settled there in 1982. African penguins are only found on the coastlines of South Africa and Namibia.

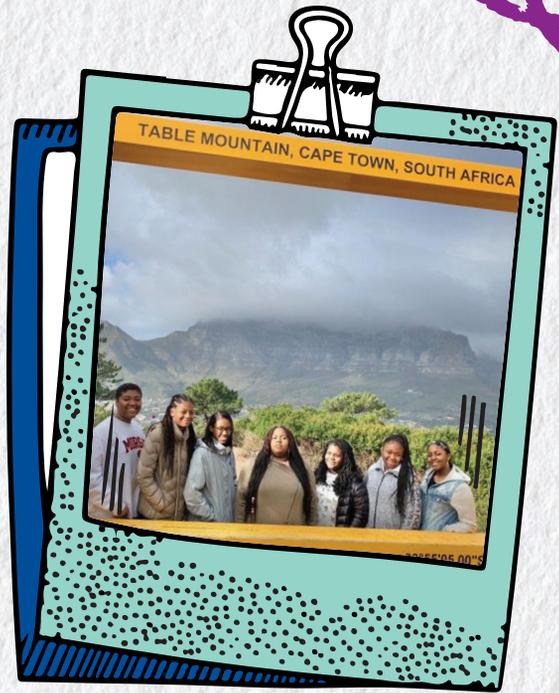


Table Mountain with troop: It was cool to travel all the way up to the top of Table Mountain's Signal Hill. Once we reached the top, we were able to look down and see the city of Cape Town.



A very fun part of our trip to South Africa was visiting Pilanesberg National Park, which is a game reserve with the Big Five—lions, leopards, rhinoceroses, elephants, and buffalos. Here's an up-close shot of an elephant from our safari.



Pax Lodge, London: During our trip to London, we visited Pax Lodge, which is the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts World Centre in Hampstead, London, England. I am proud to get to know how girls in other countries serve their communities.



Tea with the troop: If you're in London, you need to try the famous English tea, of course. My troop and I had a tea party just like the queen, and my favorite part was the dessert.



Windsor Castle with guard: I was amazed that I had the chance to see where the royal family stays. The best part of visiting Windsor Castle was meeting the guards. I spent most of my time trying to make them laugh, but it didn't work!

My name is Paris G. and I attend Abington Junior High School. I am a new advisor to the Board and a member of Troop 9696 in the Three Leaves Service Unit in the Mount Airy section of Philadelphia. My troop has been on many travel experiences. As you would think, these trips cost a lot of money, but due to the couple of thousands of packages of Girl Scout Cookies I work hard to sell, I am able to travel the world. I have been to Africa, London, and Wildwood through the years. Cookie Bosses rule!

“I love that being a Cookie Boss has allowed me to travel with my troop!”

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GSEP proudly presents the 63 incredible Gold Award Girl Scouts that joined the ranks of the most prestigious Girl Scouts and were celebrated at the 2019 Gold Award Ceremony!

Ready to Go Gold?

Visit gsep.org/highest-awards for more information and requirements.



Rebecca A.*



Angelena A.*



Rachel A.



Rebekah A.*



Riley B.



Elise B.



Purvi B.*



Colleen B.



Corinne C.*



Abigail C.



Natalie C.*



Calin C.*



Brianna D.*



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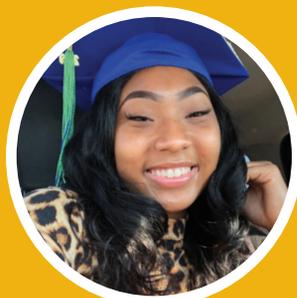
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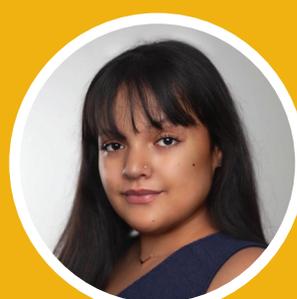
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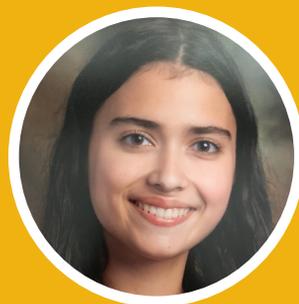
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Emily W.



Nia W.



Mary W.*



Emma W.*

Trifecta Award



Bronze. Silver. Gold. These represent the highest awards a Girl Scout can earn.

The Trifecta Award honors girls who have earned all three of these awards. Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania is proud to present 37 Girl Scouts who earned the Trifecta Award in 2019. These incredible girls have spent years taking action to solve community issues, developing leadership skills, and making the world a better place. Earning all three of Girl Scout's highest awards to become a Trifecta Award Girl Scout is just the cherry on top. Trifecta Award Girl Scouts are denoted in the previous pages. Way to go, girls!



Earn your very own Trifecta Award! Visit www.gsep.org/highest-awards to learn more!

Congratulations Girl Scout Scholarship Recipients!

Being a Girl Scout literally pays off!

GSEP awards over 25 scholarships to Girl Scouts like you each year! What's more? You can also secure scholarships from Girl Scouts of the United States of America (GSUSA), local colleges/universities, and other organizations that Girl Scouts partners with – just for being the amazing G.I.R.L. that you've always been! Whether you've earned your Girl Scout Gold Award, hope to attend a GSUSA Destination, have found awesome ways to be a leader in your community, or are even just a graduating senior, we've got something for you!

Applications for GSEP scholarships open on November 1, 2020 and close on January 31, 2021. See the full list of GSEP scholarships, plus additional opportunities, on our website: www.gsep.org

Congratulations Girl Scouts!

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| Sabrina A. | Jalynn J. |
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| Rebekah A. | Lena K. |
| Alexandra A. | Rebecca L. |
| Purvi B. | Sydney M. |
| Corinne C. | Elizabeth M. |
| Nya C. | Bridget S. |
| Brianna D. | Catherine S. |
| Tatiana D. | Cecilia W. |
| Jamie H. | |
| Molly H. | |

Promise & Law

Fill in the blanks using your imagination and create your own Girl Scout Promise and Law!

THE GIRL SCOUT PROMISE

On my honor, I will _____:
(verb)

To serve _____ and my _____,
(person/being) (noun)

To help _____ at all times,
(noun)

And to live by the Girl Scout Law.

THE GIRL SCOUT LAW

I will do my best to be

honest and _____,
(adjective)

_____ and helpful,
(adjective)

considerate and _____,
(adjective)

courageous and _____, and
(adjective)

_____ for what I say and do,
(adjective)

and to

respect myself and _____,
(person/being)

respect _____,
(person/being)

use _____ wisely,
(noun-thing)

make the world a _____ place, and
(adjective)

be a sister to every Girl Scout.

Get Outdoors Challenge

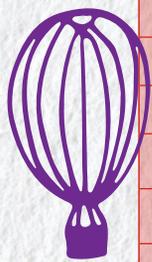
| Daisy: | |
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| Go for a walk | |
| Watch the clouds | |
| Have a picnic | |
| Visit a zoo | |
| Watch ants | |
| Sing a song on a walk | |
| Make up a game outside | |
| Jump rope outside | |
| Blow bubbles in your yard/park | |
| Meet a park ranger | |
| Make a leaf rubbing | |
| Explore your backyard | |
| Play on a playground outside | |
| Hug a tree | |



| Brownie: | |
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| Hike 1/2 mile | |
| Make a birdfeeder | |
| Pitch a tent | |
| Go on a pony ride | |
| Go on a bug hunt | |
| Learn your trail markers | |
| Build a fort | |
| Swim in an outdoor pool | |
| Watch fireflies at night | |
| Create a letterbox | |
| Play your favorite sport outside | |
| Measure the rainfall of a storm | |
| Learn how to identify a bird call | |
| Draw and play hopscotch | |

| Junior: | |
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| Hike 1 mile | |
| Make a slip and slide | |
| Tie-dye clothing outside | |
| Go geocaching | |
| Go horseback riding | |
| Host a backyard campout | |
| Climb a tree/explore a treehouse | |
| Sing songs around a campfire | |
| Show someone your favorite outdoor space | |
| Complete a National Park Service Junior Ranger badge | |
| Have a water balloon toss and/or play in a sprinkler | |
| Create a sidewalk chalk artwork | |
| Write a poem about outside | |
| Swing on an outdoor swing-set | |

| Cadettes | |
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| Hike 2-3 miles | |
| Make a flower crown | |
| Learn about archery | |
| Complete a challenge course | |
| Go stand-up paddle boarding | |
| Go backpacking for a night | |
| Ride your bike on a rail trail | |
| Help clean up a trail | |
| Learn pocket knife safety and how to whittle | |
| Spend some time meditating | |
| Beautify a garden | |
| Take a night hike with friends | |
| Draw a map of your favorite outdoor space | |
| Read a book outside | |



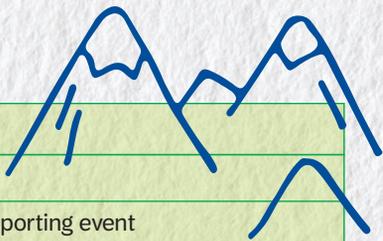
| Seniors: | |
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| Hike 3-4 miles | |
| Mountain bike on a trail | |
| Go on a zipline | |
| Hike to see a sunrise or sunset | |
| Become a CIT | |
| Take photos of the outdoors | |
| Go primitive camping | |
| Go kayaking/canoeing | |
| Learn the stories behind three constellations | |
| Play a game outside with younger girls | |
| Go for a walk/run in a park | |
| Take a "nature selfie" | |
| Create a journal to track the changes of the seasons (plants, animals, weather, etc.) | |
| Pick fruit/vegetables from a local farm | |

| Ambassadors: | |
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| Hike 5-6 miles | |
| Hike a trail with at least 1000 feet elevation change | |
| Take a wilderness first aid class | |
| Make a video/song about Leave No Trace | |
| Go rock climbing | |
| Explore a cave or cavern | |
| Help clean-up a water way | |
| Ride a bicycle 10+ miles | |
| Read the writings of a famous environmentalist | |
| Take a friend/sibling to your favorite park | |
| Learn how to use a camping stove and cook a meal or snack | |
| Volunteer/work at a GSEP camp/outdoor program | |
| Go to an amusement park | |



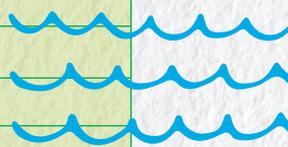
All Ages:

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| Watch the sunset |
| Attend an outdoor sporting event |
| Build a fire (with an adult) |
| Visit a nature center |
| Play in the rain |
| Visit a farm |
| Put your toes in the sand at a beach |
| Attend a ranger talk/hike |
| Swim in a creek or lake |
| Volunteer to take a shelter pet for a walk |
| Learn how to use a compass |
| Send GSEP pictures/videos of your outdoor adventures to memberservices@gsep.org |
| Ride on a boat |
| Learn about your home watershed |
| Visit a state park |
| Visit a national park |
| Cook over a fire |
| Create art inspired by nature |
| Hike to an overlook/vista |
| Stay overnight at a GSEP camp |
| Go to a GSEP resident camp |
| Learn about the trees that grow in your neighborhood |
| Go whitewater rafting |
| Volunteer at a park clean-up day |
| Learn about wildlife rehabilitation |



All Ages Continued:

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| Tag #GSEPGetOutdoors on your social media posts about these challenge activities |
| Go fishing |
| Play disc golf |
| Go on a walk/hike with your whole family |
| Make s'mores over a campfire |
| See a waterfall |
| Tour a botanical garden |
| Visit a state forest |
| Visit a state park from another state |
| Play mini-golf |
| Hike a portion of a National Scenic Trail (North Country Trail, Appalachian Trail, etc.) |
| Attend a GSEP outdoor program |
| Complete a Journey activity outside |
| Observe a wild animal (from a safe distance) |
| Plant some herbs to keep in your kitchen |
| Talk to a family member about their favorite childhood memories of the outdoors |
| Find out about careers that involve outdoor recreation, restoration, etc. |
| Swim in an ocean |
| Camp at a campground |
| Learn about spiders |
| Ride a skateboard, bike, or rollerblades outside |
| Play outside with a pet |
| Earn the Naturalist badge for your GS level |
| Plan and/or complete a scavenger hunt |
| Play an instrument outside |



From October 1 to June 1, complete as many activities as possible from the list above.

Complete at least 10 activities from your grade level (two can be from a younger grade level) and 30 activities from the all ages list, and you'll earn the Get Outdoors Challenge patch for your age level! Patches can be purchased at any GSEP retail shop!

Many activities can be completed at the same time. For example, a Brownie can hike a half-mile (grade-level activity) to an overlook (all ages activity) to watch the sunset (all ages activity), and she's completed three activities at once and can check off all three. See, this is easier than you think!

Girls can also substitute two activities from a younger grade level to count toward their grade level activity requirements. For example, an Ambassador can go stand up paddle-boarding, even though that activity is listed under a younger grade levels (Cadette). Or, she can help some younger girls work on an activity for their grade level, and the Ambassador can still count it towards her checklist.

CAMP AT HOME

This year, Camp looked a little different due to COVID-19. The camp experience used to give us a break from a world of screens— smartphones, laptops, TVs, and tablets, but this summer, to keep all of our campers and their families safe we introduced Camp @ Home virtual camp. Girls still had the opportunity to build community, play games, get messy and participate in all the camp activities just like in traditional camps, but from the safety of their homes.

GSEP sourced and assembled Camp Kits for every camper, including the supplies and directions for each grade level and theme for the week, and shipped the kits or made them available for curb-side pickup.

Each week, campers opened their Camp Kits and discovered surprises and a mix of live fun-filled interactive sessions, on-their-own activities, recorded materials, and supplemental activities that provided that extra Girl Scout fun!

Here are just a few examples of the many Camp @ Home sessions from each grade level:

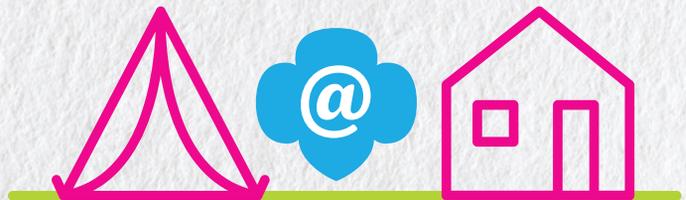
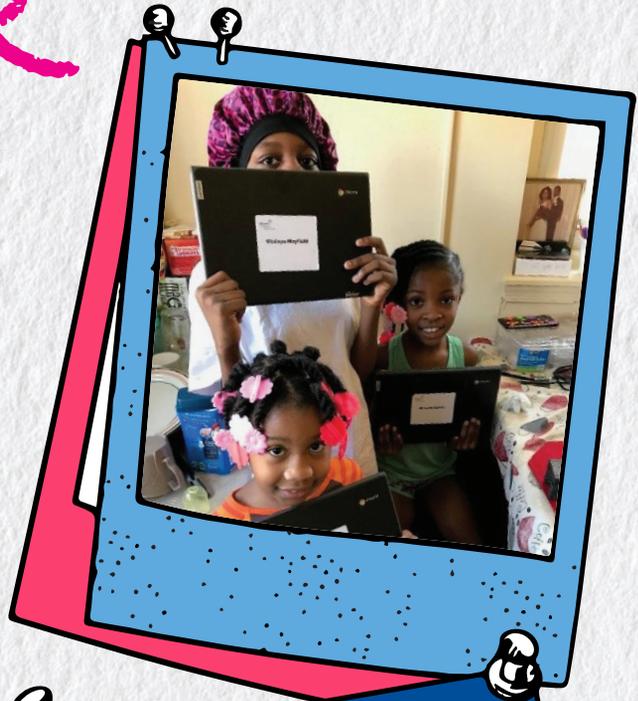
Disney Magic – Daisies and Brownies dressed up like their favorite princesses, took a virtual trip to Disney Parks, and shared their Disney knowledge during a game of trivia! Daisies earned their Good Neighbor badge and Brownies earned their Celebrating Community badge.

Mother Nature Loves Her Artists - Juniors and Cadettes explored drawing, sculpture, music and more through the inspiration of nature. They created art to help their community, explored science, and learned how others use nature as an inspiration for art. Juniors earned their Outdoor Art Explorer Badge and Cadettes earned their Outdoor Art Apprentice Badge.

If You Build It, They Will Come - Seniors and Ambassadors worked within a group to engineer prototypes of a device to enrich the life of an animal, zip line course, and mobility equipment for an elephant. The girls built an art project with a hammer and nails, learned the basics of coding, and earned their Ambassador Think Like an Engineer Journey and Coding for Good badges.

Although we don't know what the future will bring, we look forward to returning to traditional camp in 2021 and reconnecting with the outdoors!





CAMP AT HOME

with Girl Scouts of Eastern PA

Girl Scouts @ Home

Apart but always together.

This Spring, the world as we knew it turned upside down for all of us. Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania was determined to overcome the challenges of the new virtual world we found ourselves in and continue to provide every girl in our nine county footprint access to programming, activities, and fun!

Girl Scouts at Home brings the Girl Scout Leadership Experience to the girl. Through this program girls can attend virtual troop meetings to complete steps towards earning badges, come together in informal gatherings to connect with sister Girl Scouts through Zoom meetings, join us for fun and interactive Facebook Live sessions, and so much more!



Beyond the girls, Girl Scouts at Home is also a resource for volunteers, parents, and guardians alike, offering chances for volunteers to complete training virtually or connect with other volunteers to exchange ideas and advice. Girl Scouts at Home also offers parents a place to find safe and fun activities for their children that they can do outdoors or in the comfort of their own home.

Including:

- **Social & Emotional Resources**
- **Activities at Home**
- **Virtual Troop Meetings**
- **Camp Corner**
- **Facebook Live**
- **Service & Awards**
- **Volunteer Online Training**
- **Zoom Gatherings**



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NEW Badge Programs!

Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania is announcing **24 new badges** designed to help girls practice ambitious leadership in the crucial areas of **automotive engineering, STEM career exploration, entrepreneurship, and civics**, many of which remain male-dominated. In a year of unprecedented global change, our country's need for strong, broad-minded, and decisive leadership has never been greater. Girl Scouts are our leaders of today and the future: our programming equips female change-makers with the skills and experiences they need to take charge and do good for the world.

The new Girl Scout badges include:

Entrepreneurship (grades K-12)

Girls develop an entrepreneurial mindset as they engage in age-appropriate exercises that help them create and pitch a product or service that solves a problem.



STEM Career Exploration (grades 2-8)

Girls explore their career interests and connect them to STEM fields—particularly computer science, nature/environmental science, engineering, design, health, and agriculture—that can help them address the pressing issues of our time and change the world.



Automotive Engineering (grades K-5)

Girls learn about designing, engineering, and manufacturing vehicles, as well as the future of mobility.



Civics (grades K-12)

Girls gain an in-depth understanding of how local, state, and federal government works, preparing them to be voters, activists, and even political leaders.



Check out all the new badges on our website!: www.gsep.org/newbadges

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NEW UNIFORM OPTIONS!

Check out the newly designed uniform option styles for Membership Year 2021!



A. Skater Dress

It's cozy. It's cute. It's here—your new favorite dress has arrived and, yes, those are pockets! Forest green dress features an embroidered purple trefoil detail on front. Designed for comfort, this super-soft dress is a fun and functional wardrobe staple.

B. Official Pocket Sash

Introducing a sash designed for hands-free convenience! This sash was created with an interior pocket sized perfectly for a cell phone and necessities like an ID or money. Make an entrance at your next troop meeting by pairing it with our side-tie tee or chambray shirt dress. Khaki sash features Girl Scout Servicemark label and plenty of room to add your awesome insignia, awards, and badges.



C. Official Cargo Vest

Need more pockets? We've got you covered! Add your Girl Scout insignia and all those hard-earned badges, or simply wear this vest as a lightweight layer. Designed for utility and style, it features two zipper pockets, two cargo pockets with snap closures, and an elastic cinched waist. Embroidered Girl Scout Servicemark on back at neck.

D. Charcoal Zip-Up Hoodie

Casual coziness has arrived. With a classic fit and a super soft lining, this hoodie will quickly become your go-to for all seasons. Suit up in comfort with our matching charcoal joggers or pair with your favorite jeans. Want to free up some pocket space? Add our gray belt bag as a finishing touch.



E. Charcoal Drawstring Joggers

These joggers run laps around other sweatpants! Equal parts comfort and sporty style, they're designed with structured details, like a fuller cut at the hip and thigh with a relaxed fit in the leg that tapers to the ankles. Layer up before practice, stay cozy at home, or take a hike with friends.

F. Heather Gray V-Neck Raglan Baseball Shirt

This tee hits a home run! Comfy enough to catch the game at home but cute enough to wear out. Show you're on Team Girl Scouts with this heather gray tee.

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Take the Lead is the Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania's signature fundraising event honoring our community's most distinguished women whose leadership and professional achievements make the world a better place. Girl Scouts of all ages produce this unique leadership program and develop the skills necessary to become the future leaders of tomorrow. A true highlight of the Girl Scout Leadership Experience, *Take the Lead* enables girls to forge long-lasting, valuable mentorships with honorees, develop public speaking and networking skills, and advocate for the Girl Scouts with the community.



TAKE THE LEAD 2020 SHADOW DAY SPOTLIGHT: SOPHIA LEE & RACHAEL

Rachael is a go-getter Girl Scout who has traveled the world on many Girl Scout destinations. She has been a top cookie seller almost every year and is a very driven individual. This year she applied for the Presenter role at Take the Lead, one of GSEP's leadership programs and signature fundraisers.

Selected Presenters are paired with one of the four Take the Lead Honorees, who are honored for their leadership and achievement. Rachael was selected and paired with Sophia Lee (Partner & Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer, Blank Rome), who she shadowed during their day together. While Rachael is interested in becoming a doctor, she felt that her day with Sophia taught her so much about what it means to be a leader and how to give back to community.

During their day together they traveled across the city of Philadelphia, from City Hall to the University of Pennsylvania Law School. Rachael had the opportunity to see Sophia in action by watching her in litigation and while witnessing her teach a law class on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. She was inspired by her kindness and passion to help others. Through Take the Lead, Rachael gained a valuable mentor in Sophia and was able to share her story in front of over 500 guests on Take the Lead event night.



Sophia Lee and presenter Rachael

FIND YOUR INNER G.I.R.L. (Go-getter, Innovator, Risk-Taker, Leader)

Register today to participate in Take the Lead 2021, or apply for a lead role using our Program/Event registration system – www.gsep.org. Fee: \$6



JOIN THE FUN, SIGN UP TODAY! AVAILABLE ROLES INCLUDE:

Chorus, Raffle Rover, Photographer, Social Media, Color Guard, Networking + Public Relations



APPLY FOR A LEAD ROLE!

Lead roles are available for girls in high school and require an interview.

Presenter: Just like Rachael (previous page), you can have the opportunity to spend the day with a woman leader in YOUR community! Plus, build a lifelong mentorship!

Emcee: Be a leader by grabbing the mic and taking the stage! Narrate the event and get the crowd on its feet.

Campership Lead: Share your camp experience and inspire the crowd to donate camperships and send sister Girl Scouts to camp!

Chorus Lead: Use your talents to direct the Girl Scout Chorus in songs through the night!

Get involved with Take the Lead!

Sign up using the Program/Event Registration page at gsep.org. Or, contact us at 267.422.2533 | takethelead@gsep.org

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

**TAKE THE LEAD 2021
GREATER PHILADELPHIA***
Tuesday, March 2

**TAKE THE LEAD 2021
BERKS COUNTY**
Tuesday, April 6

**TAKE THE LEAD 2021
LEHIGH VALLEY**
Wednesday, April 28

New for 2021!

Take the Lead events will be brought to you virtually. Each unique program will honor exceptional women in leadership, and feature Girl Scouts from within our council as they learning leadership qualities. Please stay tuned for more details.

**Includes Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia counties.*



THANK YOU TO OUR TAKE THE LEAD 2020 SPONSORS!

Your support enables GSEP to provide more leadership opportunities to Girl Scouts in Eastern Pennsylvania and to empower them to unleash their inner **G.I.R.L.** (**Go-getter, Innovator, Risk-Taker, Leader**).

Thank you for investing in, inspiring, and empowering our Girl Scouts.



For information on Take the Lead 2021 sponsorship opportunities, please contact us at 215.948.5123 or takethelead@gsep.org



TAKE THE LEAD

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TAKE THE LEAD

QUOTES FROM BERKS COUNTY & LEHIGH VALLEY

Due to COVID-19 Take the Lead Berks and Lehigh Valley 2020 in person events had to be canceled.

This didn't stop our amazing honorees and Girl Scouts from meeting up and speaking with each other albeit, virtually! Three videos were created for each event, one of which took an in-depth look at our shadow day program, which pairs honorees with Girl Scouts to mentor them for a day. The purpose of the videos was to raise awareness about the event, our sponsors and most importantly the honorees and girls. While the event was canceled, all our honorees had the opportunity to connect with girls and teach them about their careers and leadership.



In the 8 years that I have been involved with the organization, I can tell you first-hand that I have seen girls grow and develop. I think it's an outstanding leadership program for girls.

Carol Obando-Derstine

TTL 2020 Lehigh Valley Honoree



When you see these young girls who are so involved with Girl Scouts, they're good students, they have these dreams, they want to go to college, they know what they want to do. I find it heartwarming to see that and to see a younger generation that's really amazing.

The women that have been honored over the years are so incredible. It made me feel good to be counted among them.

Marilee Falco

TTL 2020 Lehigh Valley Honoree

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Being part of an organization that supports women is motivating. I see what the women in my community have become through hard work and the support of others. It feels empowering to be part of a community of women who encourage me to be a successful adult.

Madison K.

TTL 2020 Lehigh Valley Girl Presenter

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Dr. Vinti Shah taught me that the true meaning of leadership was to build up others.

Kendra M.

TTL 2020 Berks Girl Presenter

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TTL has allowed us to learn from each other.

I believe in the Girl Scout mission that builds girls of courage, confidence, and character.

Carolyn Bazik

TTL 2020 Berks Honoree

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Susan taught me that respect is a two-way street.

Dasani A.

TTL 2020 Berks Girl Presenter



TAKE THE LEAD

QUOTES FROM BERKS COUNTY & LEHIGH VALLEY

All girls had the opportunity to shadow their honorees for a day, two of which were virtual shadow days. Our girls were also given the opportunity to interview their honorees for Zooming Into Careers, which gave other Girl Scouts the opportunity to learn from these incredible women leaders (4 honorees were featured on Zooming into Careers). Enjoy these snapshots and quotes from our esteemed honorees and Girl Scout presenters. We also enlisted the help of the Girl Co-Chairs and some of our other lead girls to make a thank you video for our Take the Lead Committees.

You can watch all of the videos in their entirety on our website at www.gsep.org/en/give/take-the-lead.html



These very young girls are embracing the fact of giving back and providing service to others and to the communities. It is an important thing to have ingrained at an early age.

Susan Looney

TTL 2020 Berks Honoree



For somebody like me, it's a wonderful opportunity to revitalize my sense of enthusiasm and excitement about the upcoming generation of female leaders.

Teri Haddad

TTL 2020 Lehigh Valley Honoree



The afternoon I got to spend with Mrs. Obando is one I will always remember.

Christian R.

TTL 2020 Lehigh Valley Girl Presenter

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When you step back and realize that younger people are looking to you to determine their path, it makes you want to do the very best that you can.

I think girls need to know that they can be girls who become women who can become successful. I think that's what's so important about Girl Scouting. Girls supporting other girls.

Judge Kelly Banach

TTL 2020 Lehigh Valley Honoree

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Judge Banach makes the world a better place, one case at a time. I left feeling inspired.

Megan H.

TTL 2020 Lehigh Valley Girl Presenter

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To be able to mold somebody of the next generation was an enlightening moment for me.

What I love about Girl Scouts is the definition of how women can contribute to society has changed and Girl Scouts really supports that modern definition.

Girls can be who they want to be.

Dr. Vinti Shah

TTL 2020 Berks Honoree

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I hope that the time that Dasani and I spent together showed her different ways that she can give back to her community.

Susan Fromm

TTL 2020 Berks Honoree

Alum Spotlight



This year we are featuring stories from our incredible alumni to help us commemorate the 100th anniversary of the 19th amendment, granting women the right to vote. These women shared with us how the Girl Scout Promise and Law has impacted their lives. Read their stories and learn how Girl Scouts can help you become courageous and strong, considerate and caring and to help make the world a better place.



Erin M.

Years as a Girl Scout: 13
Gold Award Girl Scout

What are you up to now?

I just graduated from NJIT with a degree in chemistry!

How do you practice being “friendly and helpful”? Do you give back to your community, help younger Girl Scouts, spearhead movements your community, or something else entirely?

I give back to my community by working with both the GSEP Robotics Patrol and other FIRST robotics team to help both girl scouts and other children in my community become better leaders, scientists, engineers and teachers.

How did Girl Scouts teach you to be considerate and caring?

My service unit was very focused on older girls reaching out to younger girls to bring them up with us through scouting. This taught us how to care for and work with girls of different abilities and care for their needs.

Alexis J.

Years as a Girl Scout: 13
Troop Leader

What are you up to now?

I am a Special Education teacher and a Cadette Troop Leader!

We promise to “help people at all times”. How have you continued this promise into adulthood?

I have continued to "help people at all times" by becoming a teacher and a Girl Scout leader. I like being able to change the lives of children and being an inspiration to other young adults. As a teacher, I play a role in shaping future generations. As a Girl Scout leader, I show young women how to be confident, how to be helpful to others, and how to become leaders.

How has Girl Scouts impacted your self-esteem and helped you to be “respectful of yourself and others”?

As a Girl Scout, my leaders have always taught me to be confident and not be afraid to try new things. They taught me to be respectful of myself and others. I always listen and try to feel what others are feeling. I always try to keep a positive attitude about life.





Emily T.

Years as a Girl Scout: 13

Lifetime member • Gold Award Girl Scout • GSEP Board of Directors

What are you up to now?

I am a career investment advisor and on the Board of Directors for Girl Scouts!

How did Girl Scouts teach you to be considerate and caring?

The most wonderful thing about Girl Scouts is its inclusive environment. All are welcome, respected and empowered. It is important to bring that into every room, from my household to the board room. I learned that from a very young age in the Girl Scouts.

How has Girl Scouts impacted your self-esteem and helped you to be “respectful of yourself and others”?

Girl Scouts brings together people from many different backgrounds. It was different than other groups I was a part of growing up. From those rooms I learned several things: Embrace people’s differences, friends come from unexpected places. Everyone deserves respect and to be heard, The best solutions come from a diverse team, not one individual opinion.

“ All are welcome... ”

Alison S.

Years as a Girl Scout: 5

Member • GSEP Board of Directors

What are you up to now?

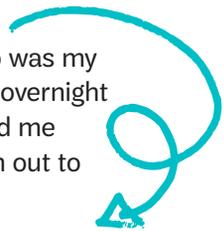
I am employed by East Penn Manufacturing. For the past 7 years, I have worked on the Berks County Girl Scouts Take the Lead Dinner Committee and served as Chairperson for 2 years.

We promise to “help people at all times”. How have you continued this promise into adulthood?

Helping other people has been the backbone of my career working in Human Resources. I am fortunate to be aligned with a company that puts a tremendous emphasis on people being the most important part of the business. Taking thoughtful care of other people has always been a core value for me.

Being “courageous and strong” is a very important part of the Girl Scout Law. When did Girl Scouts push you out of your comfort zone to do something new and exciting?

As a young girl, I did not have any camping experience until Girl Scouts. Going to camp was my first experience being away from my family overnight at an unfamiliar setting. I believe this helped me gain confidence later as a student to branch out to study as an exchange student in England.





Kayla A.

Years as a Girl Scout: 12
Lifetime Member • Silver Award

What are you up to now?

Right now, I'm focusing my energy on my career!

My proudest moment:

My proudest moment was earning my Silver Award!

The Girl Scout Promise starts with "I will try". Tell us about an experience you've had where you had to try many times before you succeeded. What did you learn and how did it make you better?

During my Silver Award process, it was so much hard work, with many trial and errors. It made me better because it taught me that I can do anything if I put my mind to it.



Beth G.

Years as a Girl Scout: 5
Lifetime Member • Troop Leader

What are you up to now?

I teach Pre-K, have three daughters and love to volunteer. I am also leader for three troops.

If you could spend the day with any historical Girl Scout sister or female figure, who would it be and why?

I would love to spend a day with Juliette Gordon Low in Savannah. Having visited there recently, I am in love with that town and love that the power of one woman started such an amazing movement.

We promise to "help people at all times". How have you continued this promise into adulthood?

I have volunteered in many ways in my adulthood. I love to help at the girls' schools, spend many hours a week volunteering on Girl Scouts and most of all enjoy random acts of kindness. There is nothing better than helping someone knowing they aren't expecting it, and makes their day better.



Kathy D.

Years as a Girl Scout: 7

What are you up to now?

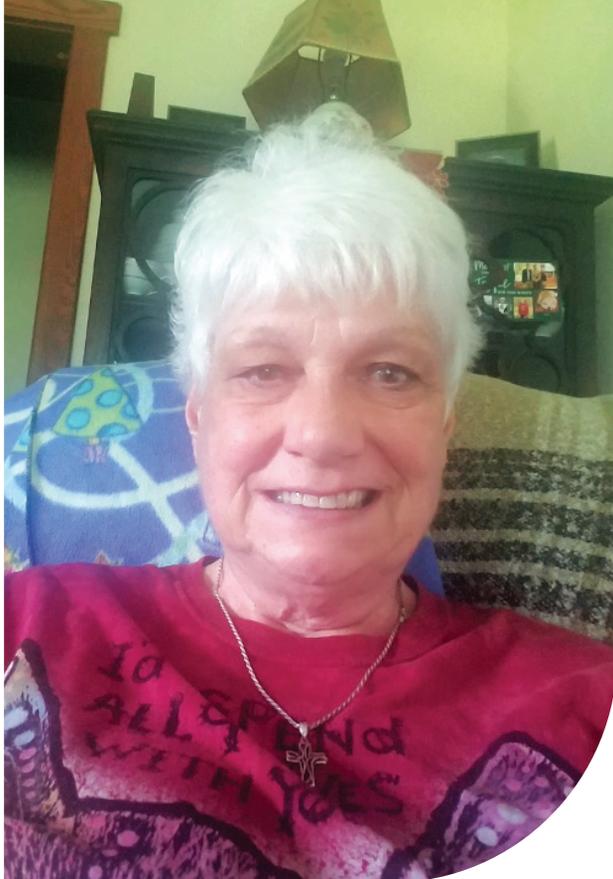
I am working full-time, but with a side business as well. I spend my time volunteering with local food programs.

How do you practice being "friendly and helpful"? Do you give back to your community, help younger Girl Scouts, spearhead movements your community, or something else entirely?

I enjoy spending time talking to those who can't get out and have a lot of history. I love to listen and learn about how things were done and appreciate how people lived their lives, both in the good and bad times.

How did Girl Scouts teach you to be considerate and caring?

It taught me that there are so many opportunities available to be considerate and caring. I just found several that were near and dear to my heart. I love helping with young children and senior members of the community.



Mary Beth B.

Years as a Girl Scout: 15

Member • GSEP Board Development Committee

What are you up to now?

I'm a mechanical engineer and volunteer as a troop leader!

We promise to “help people at all times”. How have you continued this promise into adulthood?

Aside from helping anyone in obvious need from day to day, one thing that excites me a lot is helping the next generation of engineers. From running engineering activities for Girl Scouts to mentoring college students, I strive to empower future engineers and dedicate time to providing the support and mentorship needed to work through tough classes, navigate team projects, and find their passions.

If you could spend the day with any historical Girl Scout sister or female figure, who would it be and why?

I'd love to spend time with Sally Ride and Mae Jemison; they paved the way for women in space exploration. While the percentage of women in STEM fields, particularly engineering, is still low, these women faced even more challenges! I'd love to hear about what motivated them personally, what obstacles they faced, and how they proved they belong.



Joyce T.

Years as a Girl Scout: 10

Troop Leader

What are you up to now?

I'm a retired nurse. I spend my days volunteering and being a grandmother of 6!

The Girl Scout Promise starts with “I will try”. Tell us about an experience you've had where you had to try many times before you succeeded. What did you learn and how did it make you better?

I always wanted to be a Registered Nurse. When I was 30, I decided to apply again to a RN program, was accepted, now with a long commute, a husband, 2 children, and many other things filling my plate. I accomplished my dream, and hopefully enabled me to help many others along life's way.

How do you practice being “friendly and helpful”? Do you give back to your community, help younger Girl Scouts, spearhead movements your community, or something else entirely?

I engage in conversation, frequently with strangers, volunteer at a soup kitchen, volunteer at an animal rescue, and care for the colony of feral cats on my property. I did become a co leader of my oldest granddaughter's troop. The girls were teenagers, and eventually bridged to adult Girl Scouting.

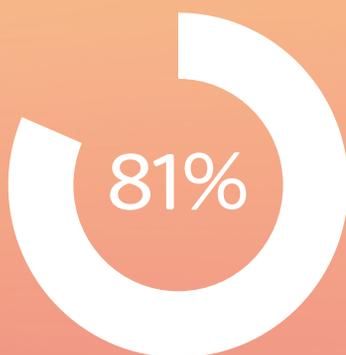


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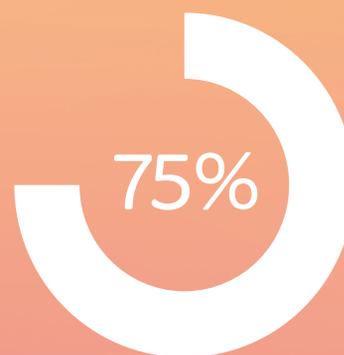
Girl Adventure Place



Calling all girls to leadership and life in the outdoors.



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say camp gave them the ability to
persevere in the face of challenges

The Girl Adventure Place (G.A.P.) campaign is centered on the idea that every girl deserves a safe, all-girl environment where she feels free to try something she has never experienced before. For many girls, camp is their first opportunity to experience true independence, the freedom to discover who they want to be by trying new things, and the opportunity to explore nature. Many girls in our Council are from urban communities without direct access to nature and outdoor experiences, which is why our organization is striving to address this crucial need.

GSEP is looking to expand its program offerings and camp structure in order to serve more girls across our nine-county footprint and to provide girls with more options to have novel outdoor experiences.

GSEP knows the opportunity to learn and play in nature is important now more than ever, which is why we are working to meet that need through the following facility improvements:

Camp Shelly Ridge

- ◆ Commercial kitchen – Smith Lodge
- ◆ Sun Shade device – Smith Lodge
- ◆ High Ropes Challenge Course and Zipline
- ◆ Platform Tent Unit(s)

Camp Mountain House

- ◆ Multipurpose heated space for Girl Scout activities and overnight camping year round
- ◆ Trading Post with Girl Scout items
- ◆ Modern Bathrooms & Showers for campers and program participants

For more information on G.A.P., contact Lori Franzke at lfranzke@gsep.org

Girl Scouts of Eastern PA's Outdoor Recipes!

Look for the full recipe book in our retail and pop-up shops once we are able to safely open them again. For information on how to order the cookbook online visit the Shops page on GSEP.org.



Here are a few sample recipes to get you started!

mountain pie iron tacos

6 servings
10 min prep time
5-7 min cook time

ingredients

12 tortillas - buttered
4 cups ground beef or chicken - taco seasoning
2 cups Shredded Cheese
2 cups Shredded Lettuce
1 Onion
1 Large Tomato
1 cup of Salsa
1 cup Sour Cream

directions

1. Place one buttered tortilla on lower part of pie iron, butter side down.
2. Spoon ground beef on top, sprinkle with cheese and chopped onion.
3. Place second tortilla shell on top of cheese, butter side up.
4. Latch handle and trim off excess tortilla if necessary.
5. Cook on moderate coals for 5-7 minutes or until golden brown - flip halfway.
6. Let cool, and serve with lettuce, tomato, salsa and sour cream.

cinnamon rolls

8 servings
15 min prep time
25-30 min Cook time

ingredients

2 Tbsp. Butter
1 Tbsp. Cinnamon
3 Tbsp. Brown Sugar
1 cup Milk
2 cups Biscuit Mix
Shortening

directions

1. Preheat dutch oven on bed of hot coals with some coals on the lid.
2. Add the brown sugar, cinnamon, and butter (cut into small pieces) to the dry biscuit mix. Add milk and stir.
3. Put spoon-size scoops of dough in a greased cake pan or pie plate.
4. Put pan in dutch oven and cook for 25-30 minutes.
5. Let cool for 5 minutes and enjoy!

SAVE THE DATE

FALL LEADERSHIP WEEKEND 2020

When: October 10, 2020

Where: Virtual

GSEP's Fall Adult Learn and Lead (FALL) Leadership Weekend is an annual event that offers workshops to encourage, enhance, and enthuse our adult volunteers. Network with other volunteers and head home with inspirational ideas to share with your troop.

This year's event will look a little different due to the ongoing COVID-19 situation. We have condensed the event into a one day format on Saturday, October 10, 2020 and we will host the event virtually. We will contact registrants with further details.

FALL Leadership Weekend is open to all registered Girl Scout adult (female & male) volunteers.

Registration now open!
gsep.org/volunteerevents



New for 2020- receive a free event t-shirt with your event registration!

WANTED: Girls Ready to Make Change!

Have you ever dreamed of being an event planner?

Are you willing to reflect on your experiences and share ideas with other Girl Scouts?

Do you want to be a part of creating positive change at GSEP?

If you answered “yes” to one or more of the questions above, we’ve got the perfect opportunity for you! GSEP’s Girl Advisory Committee, Girl Scout Says, is seeking Cadette, Senior, and Ambassadors Girl Scouts to work together to make GSEP an even better place for girls! Help plan new programs and events, give feedback on existing programs, and share your ideas while bonding with other girls and building your resume!

Interested girls must be able to:

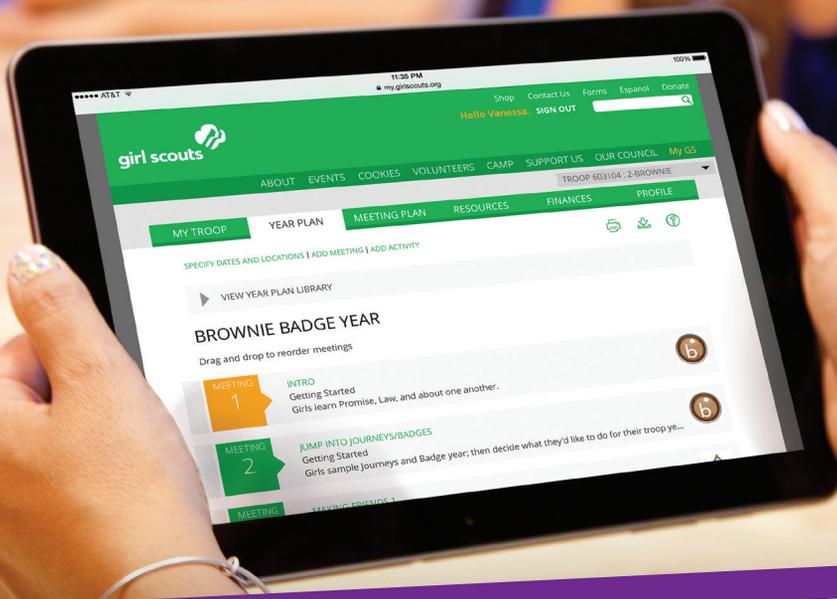
- Commit to one year of service (October 2020–September 2021).
- Attend a mandatory kick-off celebration on Sunday, November 8, 11 am–2 pm at Camp Shelly Ridge.
- Attend three additional in-person or virtual meetings (once per quarter).
- Participate virtually through email and other platforms.

To apply, visit <https://smr.to/p66948>.
The application deadline is **September 30, 2020**.



Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors are eligible to apply to join

GIRL SCOUT SAYS,
GSEP’s Girl Advisory Committee.



THE VOLUNTEER TOOLKIT: YOUR DIGITAL TROOP ASSISTANT

Are you excited to be a Girl Scout Leader, but concerned about the time commitment? The Volunteer Toolkit gives you meeting plans right at your fingertips!

What is it? The Girl Scout Volunteer Toolkit (VTK) is a comprehensive digital tool accessible on your computer, smartphone or tablet. For **all age levels**, the VTK has several years' worth of **meeting plans** already created! Once your troop picks their Journey or badges for the year, you can access all the content you will need for the entire year! Customize it to add your own activities or pull alternate activities from the **Resource Tab**.

With the VTK, you can:

- Manage troop contacts, track awards and badges, track attendance, and communicate with parents/guardians.
- Use the meeting plans directly from the VTK, or customize them by deleting activities your girls don't want to do, and replacing them with new ones.
- Help your troop (including older girls!) choose from many Journey Year Plans, a year plan for petals/badges, or a "Create Your Own" Year Plan. Multilevel troops will have a choice of all age levels to choose activities from.
- Search the Volunteer Toolkit for meeting aids and activities to customize your meeting plans

Visit gsep.org to find the VTK!

Continuing the Volunteer Journey

The Spring 2020 COVID-19 Stay at Home environment created a trying time for our GSEP families. Our Volunteer Experience team responded by creating a series of virtual enrichment sessions for our Troop Leaders and Service Unit volunteers.

GSEP's volunteers bring our mission to life and we value the strength and resilience they bring to the Girl Scout Leadership Experience. Realizing the wonderful support system volunteers continually provide to our girls beyond their immediate families, GSEP brainstormed to provide our Troop Leaders with that same exceptional level of support!

The Volunteer Experience (VE) team launched a series of informal "training" sessions to help our Troop Leaders stay connected with their troops. In our first meetings, we walked through the Zoom platform of virtual meetings, and gave participants the chance to try out some of the features of this resource. In our second session, we got creative! The VE team shared examples of possible troop

meetings ranging from informal chat sessions, to fun games, to badge workshops. Our message was "If you can think it, we can support you to make it happen."

Our Girl Scouts at Home Virtual enrichment sessions continued to be very successful at engaging many of our dedicated volunteers throughout the spring months. Even though we were physically apart, we were all on this virtual journey together. We heard many amazing things our Girl Scouts did to help others, maintain friendships, and stay strong. As we continued to embark on the new normal, we were heartened by the words of Juliette Gordon Low, "The work of today is the history of tomorrow, and we are the makers."



Keep the Girl Scout spirit strong, no matter where you are.

Planning virtual meetings can feel quite different from the in-person meetings we're used to: can you successfully engage your girls through their screens? Can you keep your troop's favorite traditions going virtually? The answer is yes!

Use this sample agenda to prepare for your virtual meeting wherever their "meeting spaces" may be.

Sample Virtual Meeting Agenda

Welcome (5 minutes)

- Give girls a few minutes to join the meeting and chat with each other before the official meeting begins.

Ground Rules (5 minutes)

- Review the ground rules or use this time to create list together.

Promise and Law (5 minutes)

- Recite the Promise and Law together. Ask girls to keep themselves muted as they follow your lead. Internet connectivity issues can cause a lag in audio.
- You can encourage girls to have their cameras on, but it shouldn't be required.

Icebreaker (10 minutes)

- Add an icebreaker activity to help everyone get comfortable.

Main Activity (20 minutes)

- Whether it's badge work or just something fun, the main activity should take up the bulk of your meeting time.

- Use **Volunteer Toolkit!** You can download pdfs of the badges or Journeys that your troop is working on and send them to your families.

Prep For Your Next meeting (5 Minutes)

- If the girls will complete an activity on their own, explain what they'll need to do.
- Looking for feedback on what to do next? This is a great time to poll the girls!

Make New Friends (5 minutes)

- Wind down your meeting by singing "Make New Friends."

Friendship Circle (5 minutes)

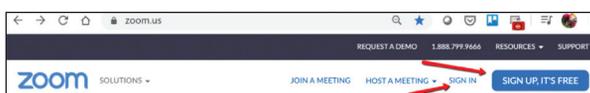
- Just as you would with an in-person meeting, ask them to cross their arms and give them a moment to squeeze their own hands to virtually pass on the squeeze.



Hosting your own 30 minute virtual Girl Scout meeting using Zoom

1. Create your free personal Zoom account by going to zoom.us.

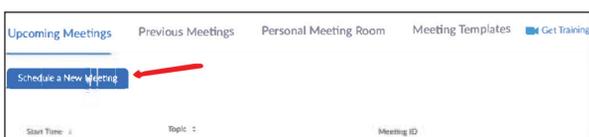
Interested in more options? GSUSA has created a partnership with Zoom to offer our volunteers a discounted rate. Check our website [GSEP.org/Girl Scouts @ Home](https://GSEP.org/GirlScouts@Home) for account details and rates.



2. Sign in to your account.

Your username should be your email.

3. You'll land on your page for scheduling and launching virtual meetings.



4. Schedule meeting using the schedule tool.

Name your meeting and add the date, time and duration. *(For your meeting to remain free, it needs to be 40 minutes or less. If you schedule your troop/group meeting time for 30 minutes, you can use 5 minutes before to get ready and 5 at the end for those few last minute comments before you close up.)*

5. Send the Zoom meeting link to your troop/group attendees.

They can join zoom with desktop, laptop, tablet, or smartphone. If they don't have audio/microphone capabilities, they can dial in via phone and watch on another device. Cameras are not a must, but they are great to have and make the experience more engaging and fun.

Zoom Tips

Set up your meeting with participants on mute and webcams off upon entry to let them settle in and prepare. They can turn them on when they are ready.

You can hand off hosting duties to anyone in the group to share their screen and reclaim your hosting duties as needed.

All participants can use the annotation and drawing tools to participate in the meeting at any time. You can clear your own drawings, their drawings or all drawings at anytime.

During your first meeting with your troop or group, don't plan too much content so girls have a chance to connect and catch up.

When possible try to have each person on their own device. This way each person can contribute fully.

You can upload fun zoom backgrounds (search online for free ones) if you don't want to show your own live background. Please note that photos don't work well with the green screen feature.

2020 Volunteer Awards Spotlight on awardees:

The GSEP Award, the highest council-level award, is presented to a volunteer who has served ten years or more with a commitment that is remarkable and of extraordinary service to the entire council community. Membership Year 2019's recipient was Bridget Davis. Bridget is the leader of six troops at Ms. Carol's School of Dance. She is also a Service Unit Delegate and a member of GSEP's Communications Focus Group. One of her nominators said it best:

"I have watched my daughter transform into an outgoing, bubbly personality because of Bridget telling her, 'I have confidence in her, she can do it!' Bridget has been right every time."

This year, we recognized Bethlehem Friendship Service Unit with the CEO Award. This award recognizes the efforts of Service Units achieving full engagement in the areas of service, learning and growth. Bethlehem

Friendship Service Unit achieved 114% of their girl membership goal, which is 90 girls over goal! Their commitment to service was demonstrated through various service unit-wide service projects, including sock collections, Meals on Wheels, and collecting donations for a local food bank.

Our incredible Keynote Speakers were Andrea Agnew and Giavanna Plaza. Andrea is the Executive Director of Change Management in Comcast Corporation's Total Rewards organization. Andrea has extensive experience in Diversity and Inclusion, and is a role model for unifying people and processes. Giavanna "Gia" is a former GSEP Girl Scout attending Pace University in Manhattan. She had been a Girl Scout for 9 years and has earned her Girl Scout Silver Award and completed her Girl Scout Gold Award.



Andrea Agnew | Keynote Speaker | Management in Comcast Corporation's Total Rewards organization.



Giavanna Plaza | Girl Scout Keynote | Silver and Gold Award Girl Scout



Presentation of national-level and council-level awards will occur at GSEP's annual Volunteer Awards Celebration this fall. Whether we see you in person or celebrate virtually, it will be a special occasion.



TROOP LIFE NOT YOUR LIFE?

There's Another Way to be a Girl Scout!

If you're looking to reap the rewards, recognition, and skills of being a Girl Scout, but being part of a troop isn't for you, become an individually registered girl (IRG), also known as a **"Juliette"**, and make your Girl Scout experience work for you!

As a Girl Scout IRG, you can customize your Girl Scout experience around your interests, goals, and schedule. We have so much to offer! Whether you have a few hours, a few weeks, or a few months, Girl Scouts is flexible and fun.

There are no limits to what you can do as an IRG. Participate in everything that is open to your grade level.

You can:

- Attend in-person or virtual council-sponsored programs, events, series opportunities, year-round camp experiences, and travel opportunities.
- Work on Journey awards and badges with a parent of another adult mentor.
- Earn the Bronze, Silver, and Gold Awards.
- Apply for governance and committee opportunities to be a change-maker and have your voice heard!

And, of course:

Participate in the Girl Scout Cookie Program to support your troop activities, earn cool recognitions and credits towards GSEP camps, Spark programs and travel opportunities!

The future is yours, and your journey starts here. Begin your new adventure by completing your Girl Scout membership registration at gsep.org/join and emailing Member Services (memberservices@gsep.org) with the Subject Line: IRG, and someone from our team will reach out to welcome you and help plan your year.





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