

My Family Supports Girl Scouts

Girl Scouting is the largest voluntary organization for girls in the world. Nationwide, Girl Scouts number over two million. Over the years, the lives of millions of women have been enriched by their participation in Girl Scout activities.

Girl Scouting offers informal educational, cultural and social programs designed to help girls:

Develop skills and feelings of self-worth to achieve their full individual potential.

Relate to others with increasing understanding, skill, and respect.

Develop values to guide their actions and provide the foundation for sound decision making.

Contribute to the improvement of society through the use of their abilities and leadership skills working in cooperation with others.

Although traditional activities such as badge work, arts and crafts, games, camping, community service projects and trips remain popular, contemporary issues such as drug abuse and internet safety are now important parts of the Girl Scout program. But, if you ask a girl about Girl Scouting, she'll tell you the best part is the **FUN!**

The Girl Scout organization recognizes that children are our country's most important natural resource; therefore, the Girl Scout program provides a wide variety of program activities and a support system for girls and their families to help girls develop into well-rounded, knowledgeable, resourceful and responsible young women.

We encourage family members to participate in Girl Scout activities, regardless of whether girls are in a troop, working as an independently registered Girl Scout, or attending occasional events or camp programs. Family participation enhances the Girl Scout program as well as offers an unusual and rewarding chance for parents or family members to have fun and spend quality time with their daughters.

Complete the following requirements.

1. The requirements of the program may be completed by family members of any Girl Scout Daisy, Brownie, Junior, Cadette, Senior or Ambassador, including Leaders with daughters in their troop or another troop.
2. Participating family members may be a parent, grandparent, older sibling over 16 years old, guardian, aunt, uncle or any other adult that a girl considers as "family."
3. Activities may be completed by one or more members of a girl's family.
4. Family members are to work with the girl to complete four Discover, four Connect, and one Take Action activities from Part One, and work with her to complete any 15 out of 25 questions from Part Two.
5. Participation in an activity may only count towards one requirement.
6. This program may be repeated year after year for a maximum of four years. However, Part Two should be completed **ONLY the first time**.
7. Fill in the activity and/or answers to questions and the date completed. When the required number of activities are completed, the booklet should be forwarded to the girl's troop leader who will verify the information. Patches will be presented by the troop leader to the family. If the girl is not in a troop, mail the completed form and Patch Order Form with patch fee to The Mountain Top Shop, Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains, 1 Commerce Drive, Bedford, NH 03110.

Girls will receive year strips to add to their patch if their family completes the patch program for a second, third or fourth year.

Part One

Family member(s) works with the girl and/or her troop to complete at least four Discover activities, four Connect activities and one Take Action activity:

Discover: Girls understand themselves and their values and use their knowledge and skills to explore the world.

1. Help her with requirements for at least two petals or badges.

_____ Date _____
Petal, Badge

_____ Date _____
Petal, Badge

2. Accompany her on at least two field trips with her troop, community or GSGWM.

_____ Date _____
Field Trip

_____ Date _____
Field Trip

3. Assist your Girl Scout in completing two Journey Activities.

_____ Name of Award

4. Teach her a song, game, craft or other activity that she could teach to other Girl Scouts.

_____ Date _____
Activity Taught

5. Assist her in preparing the snack for a troop meeting, community or GSGWM activity.

_____ Date _____
Snack Prepared

6. Help her in planning for a dinner, party, ceremony or other special occasion for her troop, community or GSGWM.

_____ Date _____
Event

Connect: Girls care about, inspire, and team with others locally and globally.

1. Participate with her in a troop, community or GSGWM Girl Scout activity.

_____ Date _____
Activity

2. Share a skill or talent with her troop, community or GSGWM.

Activity Taught

Date

3. Provide transportation for at least two Girl Scout activities (*all drivers must be registered, have completed the volunteer intake process, GS101 and position specific training).

Activity

Date

Activity

Date

4. Be an active member of her troop Girl Scout committee, community or GSGWM. Name the specific job that you do.

Name of Job

5. Attend at least one of her troop, community or GSGWM ceremonies.

Ceremony

Date

6. Join her on an overnight Girl Scout camping experience.

Camp Out (Location)

Date

7. Attend at least one troop parent meeting this year.

Date

8. Support her in a Girl Scout money-earning activity such as Fall Product Sales Program or Cookie Program.

Money-Earning Activity

9. Plan and carry out a way to thank your Girl Scout leader for all she/he does for your Girl Scout.

Name of Job

Take Action: Girls act to make the world a better place.

Support her in an activity or project that will help address a need in her community. Sample ideas: Identify a need, then write letters to local, state and federal officials persuading them to help; help with a community project; or create a public display or presentation to inform others of the problem and possible solutions. This may be done with her troop, community, GSGWM or on her own:

Activity

Date

Part Two

Family member(s) and girl complete at least 15 of the following questions.

1. What is the name of the Girl Scout council that serves her?

2. What is WAGGGS?

3. Ask her to recite the Girl Scout Promise.

Date: _____

4. Ask her what the Girl Scout Promise means to her.

5. Who founded Girl Scouting in the United States? _____

When: _____

Where: _____

6. What is the JLWFF?

List two things it does:

7. What are the six grade levels of Girl Scouting?

Level: _____ Grades: _____

8. What level will she "fly-up" or "bridge" to next? _____

9. What is the Girl Scout motto?

10. What is the Girl Scout Slogan?

11. Ask her to show you the Girl Scout Handshake: _____ Date: _____

12. What is one community service project that her troop, community or council is doing this year?

13. Where are the four World Centers of WAGGGS located?

14. What is Thinking Day?

15. When is Girl Scouts' Birthday? _____

16. What is Leader's Day?

When is it? _____

17. Ask her to recite the Girl Scout Law. _____ Date: _____

18. Ask her to show you the Girl Scout Quiet Sign, and ask her what it means:

19. What is her troop's goal for their cookie money?

20. What is the highest award in Girl Scouting?

21. List five petals or badges that she may earn at her grade level:

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22. List two items that she made this year in Girl Scouting.

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23. Ask her what she likes and dislikes about Girl Scouting.

Girl Scout's Name: _____

Name of family members who worked on program

Relation to Girl Scout

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My Family Supports Girl Scouts Evaluation

*Troop Age Level(s): **Daisy**__**Brownie**__**Junior**__**Cadette**__**Senior**__**Ambassador**__

*Please write the number of girls per level

Troop Leader: _____
Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Day Phone #: _____ Night Phone: _____ Cell: _____

1. Which activities did your family enjoy the most?
2. What is something new you discovered while doing this with your Girl Scout?
3. How did this patch program help you connect to your local Girl Scout troop/community?
4. What did you learn about how your family can Take Action to make a difference through Girl Scouting?
5. What other family programs would you like to see offered in the future?
6. Would you suggest any changes to this patch program?
7. Comments:

MY FAMILY SUPPORTS GIRL SCOUTS PATCH ORDER FORM

Please return your My Family Supports Girl Scouts patch order form AND evaluation forms together!

Troop Age Level(s): Daisy _____ Brownie _____ Junior _____
 Cadette _____ Senior _____ Ambassador _____

Troop Leader: _____

Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Day Phone #: _____ Night Phone: _____ Cell: _____

_____ # of **First Year** patches @ **\$2.50 each:** \$ _____

_____ # of **Additional Year** arc patches @ **\$1.25 each:** \$ _____

*Shipping/handling: \$ _____

Total enclosed: \$ _____

VISA and MasterCard are also accepted.

Please charge my (circle one): **VISA** or **MasterCard**

Card #: _____ Expiration Date: _____ / _____ CVC _____

Signature: _____
(A signature is required on all Credit Card orders)

*For shipping and handling rates, please go to <https://www.girlscoutsgwm.org/en/our-council/shop.html>.

If you have any questions, please contact Customer Care at 1-888-474-9686. You may also email Customer Care at customercare@girlscoutsgwm.org.

Please mail this order form **AND** your evaluation to:

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