

Parents' Guide to Girl Scouting

G.



GO-GETTER

She's bold, honest, and determined to succeed. In her mind failure is no reason not to get back up and try again, and again, and again. That explains why *half of all U.S. businesswomen were Girl Scouts.*

I.



INNOVATOR

Thinking outside the box is her specialty, so she's always looking for a creative way to take action. A clear correlation: *75% of current female senators were Girl Scouts.*

R.



RISK-TAKER

Courageous and strong, she's keen to try new things and embrace the unfamiliar. It's no wonder that nearly all of the *40 women who have flown in space were Girl Scouts.*

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LEADER

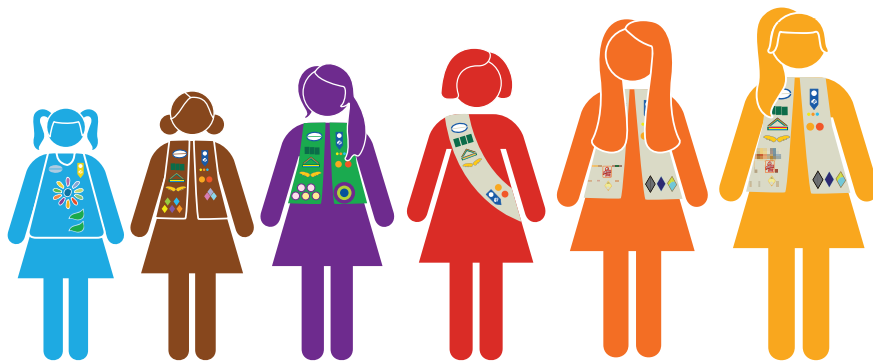
She's confident, responsible, and committed to changing the world. Here's proof: Every year, *Girl Scouts collectively spend more than 75 million hours improving their communities.*

GET SOCIAL WITH US - GSHNC!



www.hngirlscouts.org

Girl Scout level	Grade in school
Daisy	K-1
Brownie	2-3
Junior	4-5
Cadette	6-8
Senior	9-10
Ambassador	11-12



Girl Scouts is the preeminent leadership development organization for girls, helping to build girls of **courage, confidence, and character** who make the world a better place. We are building leaders and greater communities for our future! Girl Scouts are **Go-getters, Innovators, Risk-takers, and Leaders!**

HOW YOUR GIRL BENEFITS: LEADERSHIP, THE GIRL SCOUT WAY



Girl Scouts, Hornets' Nest Council (GSHNC) serves 15,000 girls and adults in eight counties across North and South Carolina including Anson, Cabarrus, Mecklenburg, Montgomery, Rowan, Stanly, Union and York (SC).

WAYS TO PARTICIPATE:

TROOP:
Traditional troop meetings are the most well-known ways girls participate in the Girl Scout Leadership Program.

INDIES:
A girl can participate in many programs and activities individually, without being a part of a traditional troop.

PROGRAMS AND EVENTS:
Participate in our numerous events and activities presented by our council or community partners as an individual Girl Scout or as a Girl Scout troop. Sign up at <https://www.hngirlscouts.org/calendar>.

CAMP:
Join us under the stars in cabins or tents and learn new skills with our Outdoor Program. Camp opportunities include day camps, weekend or week-long overnight camps. We have 3 campsites available to our Girl Scouts! Participate as an individual Girl Scout or as a Girl Scout troop.

Started a new troop today or found an existing troop?

- Go to www.hngirlscouts.org and click on the “Join” button on the top right hand corner. Click on “Join Us” to start registration process!
- Complete membership information and find troop or recruitment campaign (if starting a new troop)
 - Pay for membership online. During the registration process, you can choose to make a donation to GSHNC’s Sister to Sister program.
- YOU ARE FINISHED!
- If you are joining a new troop, give your new leaders time to complete training and GSHNC Staff will contact you if there are any delays.



Sister to Sister is a campaign that encourages Girl Scouts and their families to participate in philanthropy by providing the Girl Scout Experience through programs, events and supplies to girls who need it most.

Didn't find a troop or need more time?

- Go to www.hngirlscouts.org and click on the “Join” button on the top right hand corner. Click on “Girl Scouts Interest Form” from the left navigation panel to complete the interest form.
- If you are interested in volunteering, please leave a message in the Comments/Questions area of the form.
- A GSHNC staff member will email you within 2-3 business days with more information and next steps.

Interested in volunteering?

Whether you're helping with an event, facilitating a girl leadership program, or starting a troop, you can make a difference in a Girl Scout's life. As a volunteer, you'll be a role model for G.I.R.L.s. You'll help girls discover their values, develop skills, connect with others and explore the world around them.

WAYS TO VOLUNTEER

Co-Leader: Work directly with girls, sharing your passion through fun activities!

Troop Fall Product or Cookie Chairs: Coordinate council-sponsored product sales for troop.

Troop Parent Helpers: Assist the Co-Leaders with troop activities, events and meetings.

Volunteer Today! Visit hngirlscouts.org and click “VOLUNTEER” to get started!

Financial help is available!

Every girl should have the opportunity to be a Girl Scout. If you need help, our financial assistance can cover costs of:

- Membership fees (girls and volunteers)
- Starter uniform pieces (vest, tunic or sash with starting insignia - Council ID, WAGGGS pin, American Flag and troop numbers.
- Books (Girl's Guide to Girl Scouting or Journey Books)

Contact our Customer Care team at (704)731-6500 or customercare@hngirlscouts.org for more information.

GSHNC PROGRAMS

Once you have completed the registration process, your Girl Scout has access to ALL GSHNC programs! Check out our activities calendar on www.hngirlscouts.org to start her Girl Scout Leadership Experience!



STEM



Outdoor Adventure



Life Skills



Entrepreneurship

HIGHEST AWARDS



Bronze. Silver. Gold. These represent the highest honors a Girl Scout can earn. Girl Scouts earn these awards by giving back to the community and making an impact in the world around them. As you earn one of Girl Scouts' highest awards, you'll change your corner of the world—and maybe even beyond. The possibilities are endless.

THERE'S MORE TO COOKIES THAN WHAT'S IN THE BOX!

The Girl Scout Product Programs are the largest girl-led entrepreneurial programs in the world and are such important parts of the overall Girl Scout experience! Girls learn to work as a team to accomplish common goals and solve problems, while building the confidence they need to shine as girls, as young women, and as future leaders. The Fall Treats and Reads Program begins in September and the Cookie Program begins in December. 100% of the proceeds stay here locally to directly support the Girl Scout Leadership Experience for girls in your community.



Business Ethics



People Skills



Money Management



Goal Setting



Decision Making

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE



From s'mores by the campfire to conquering their fears at the Phoenix Tower (our high adventure course), testing their aim at archery and cooling off by the lakefront in kayaks and canoes, Girl Scouts do it all at our THREE camp properties! Don't let your Girl Scout miss her chance at outdoor adventure!



GIRL SCOUT LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE STARTER KIT

Every Girl Deserves Her Own!



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