

Girl Scout Gold Award Rubric

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Girl is a registered Girl Scout Senior or Ambassador for the year(s) the project is planned, implemented and completed.	Girl is NOT a registered Girl Scout Senior or Ambassador for the duration of the specified timeframe.	Girl is a registered Girl Scout Senior or Ambassador for the duration of the specified timeframe.
Girl has completed 2 Girl Scout Senior or Ambassador Journeys OR has earned her Girl Scout Silver Award plus completed 1 Girl Scout Senior or Ambassador Journey and understands the leadership qualities outlined in the Journey.	Girl has not completed 2 Girl Scout Senior or Ambassador Journeys OR has earned her Girl Scout Silver Award plus completed 1 Girl Scout Senior or Ambassador Journey, or is unable to demonstrate the leadership qualities.	Girl has completed 2 Girl Scout Senior or Ambassador Journeys OR has earned her Girl Scout Silver Award plus completed 1 Girl Scout Senior or Ambassador Journey and can demonstrate the leadership qualities
Girl has taken council Gold Award training.	Girl has not taken council Gold Award training.	Girl has taken council Gold Award training, either in person or online. If online, knowledge checker must be completed to verify training.
Girl thinks about issues that she personally cares about.	Girl thinks about only 1 issue that matters to her OR adults suggest a project idea for the girl to carry out without any girl input.	Girl thinks about 2-3 issues that she cares about. She considers why those issues are important to her. She thinks about how those issues affect her community. She focuses on issues and communities outside of Girl Scouting.
Gold Award Project is an individual project.	Gold Award Project is not completed individually.	Gold Award Project is completed individually.
Proposal is completely and accurately filled out, including girl's name and grade and answers to all questions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposal is incomplete. • Proposal is not on the proper form. • Proposal does not describe in detail the full aspect of the project. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposal has been completed and checked for accuracy. • Proposal is on the proper form. • Proposal describes in great detail the full aspect of the project.
All paperwork and questions are typed.	Paperwork is illegible, in pencil or in cursive.	Paperwork is typed or legibly printed in blue or black ink.
Project title has correct spelling and is related to the project topic.	No title provided and/or does not relate to the project topic.	Title is spelled correctly and relates to the project topic.
Gold Award Project Advisor	Gold Award Project Advisor is parent or troop leader.	Gold Award Project Advisor is a subject matter expert and is not parent or troop leader.

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All questions on the proposal are answered in complete sentences and responses relate to the question.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questions are answered with incomplete sentences, without the appropriate minimum number of sentences, or do not relate to the question asked. • 15-second pitch does not explain what the project is and how it will benefit the community. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All questions are answered with complete sentences and with the appropriate minimum number of sentences that relate to the question asked. • 15-second pitch explains what the project is and how it will benefit the community.
Gold Award Budget	Girl does not have a firm plan for how to fund the project or has not had plans approved by Fund Development Department.	Girl has firm plans for how to fund the project and has had them approved by Fund Development Department.
Gold Award Project is considered a Take Action Project (has sustainability and is working with an organization, not for an organization).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gold Award Project is a collection (such as food drive, pet food drive, clothing drive) or “canned” project with no potential for sustainability • Project does not show leadership skills. • Project results cannot be measured. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gold Award Project is working together with an organization and has sustainability built in (ie: an ongoing resource/program for their community or providing a lasting solution to a problem or issue in their community). • Project shows leadership skills. • Project will produce measurable results.
Gold Award Committee	Gold Award Committee has not approved project.	Proposal has been approved by Gold Award Committee before work has begun on the project.
Gold Award Committee Mentor	Girl does not communicate with Gold Award Committee Mentor during the course of the project.	Girl communicates with Gold Award Committee Mentor during the course of the project, keeping mentor up to date on progress and issues.
Final Report is completely and accurately filled out, including girl's name and grade and answers to all questions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final Report is incomplete. • Final Report is not on the proper form. • Final Report does not describe in detail the full aspect of the project or lacks measurability. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final Report has been completed and checked for accuracy. • Final Report is on the proper form. • Final Report describes in great detail the full aspect of the project, including measurable information.
Final Report questions are answered in complete sentences and responses relate to the question.	Questions are answered with incomplete sentences, without the appropriate minimum number of sentences, or do not relate to the question asked.	All questions are answered with complete sentences and with the appropriate minimum number of sentences that relate to the question asked.
Girl has put in an appropriate amount of hours into the Gold Award Project (GSUSA suggests a minimum of 80 hours).	Girl has put less than 70 hours into her Gold Award Project.	Girl has put at least 70 hours (preferably 80 or more) into her Gold Award Project.
Leader has read through, approved and signed off on Final Report	Leader signature is missing or questions have not been checked for accuracy.	Leader signature is on Final Report and all questions have been checked for accuracy.