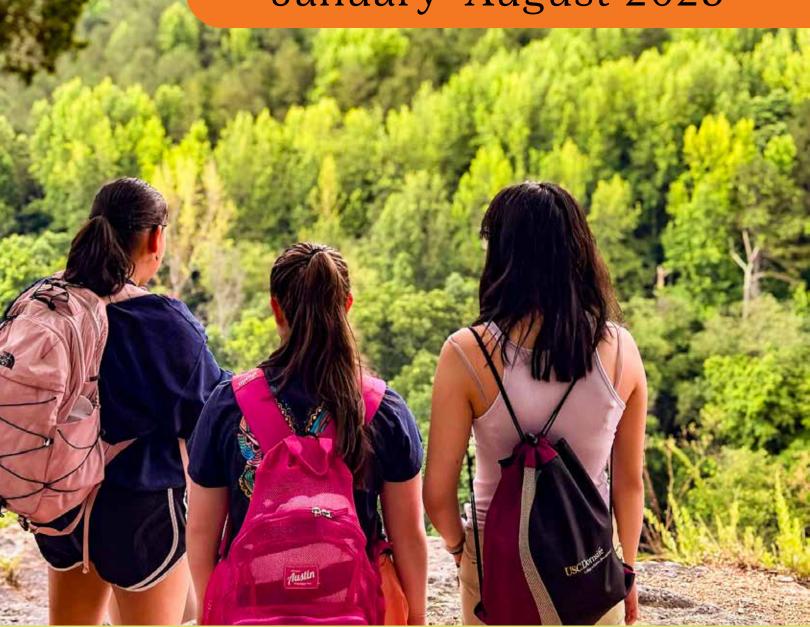


Diamonds Program Guide

January-August 2025





Save the Date!

Cadette Campout

January 24-26 | Lake Fort Smith State Park

Girl Scout Night at The Amazeum

March 7 | Bentonville

Older Girl Spring Break Retreat

March 22-24 | Camp NOARK

Magic Springs

Summer 2025 | Hot Springs

Summer Camp

June 8-July 11 | Camp NOARK

STEAM Center Day Camp

June 15-20 | Hot Springs • July July 21-25 | STEAM Center

Highest Awards and Graduating Senior Ceremony

July 19 | Central

High Adventure Mountain Biking (And More!)

June 1-8 | Destinations at Camp NOARK

Cardboard Boat Regatta

October 11-12 | Lake Dardanelle State Park



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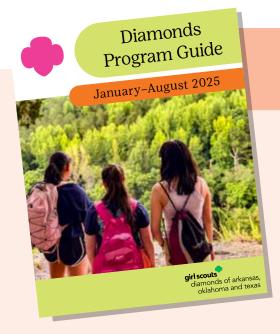


Welcome to Your January-August 2025 Program Guide!

Prepare for an adventure like no other! Our upcoming programs are packed with opportunities to learn, explore and grow. Whether you're earning badges or trying something new, every event is crafted with excitement and discovery in mind. **Starting January 2025, all badge- and patch-earning events will include the cost of badges or patches in the registration fee**. Please note that events requiring payment at the door or registration directly with a program partner will not include the badge or patch—but you can visit our retail shop to purchase yours. We hope you dive in and create lifelong memories along the way!



Girl Scouts – Diamonds Program Team



How to Use This Guide in Three Easy Steps ...

- 1. Read through new programs starting on page 24.
- 2. Go to GirlScoutsDiamonds.org for more program details.
- 3. Register online to reserve your spot.

We are adding programs all the time! Want monthly updates on the new programs? Opt in to emails! Questions? Email info@girlscoutsdiamonds.org or call 800-632-6894



Girl Scouts

Read through this guide and pick events, trips, and camps you'll love!



Troop Leaders

Use this guide along with the spring guide to plan your 2025-2026 Girl Scout year!



Caregivers

Find adventures in this guide with your Girl Scout!

Meet Our Program Team

Ever wondered who works behind the scenes to bring all the life-changing programming to your Girl Scout? Girl Scouts — Diamonds has an amazing team who works year-round to bring quality Girl Scout programs and experiences to girls in Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas.



Bianca "Wizard" Holmes

Bianca is the older girl program specialist. She oversees highest awards, Program Aide and Volunteer in Training (VIT) programs, along with any council-sponsored CSA programs. She has been with Girl Scouts since 2021 and loves fitness, reading and spending time with her family.



Cassandra "Vegas" Funes

Cassandra is a program coordinator who oversees Destinations and Program Partners programs. Cassandra loves traveling, cooking and spending time with her family.



Kayla "Sunflower" Thompson

Kayla is our STEAM Center manager based in Fort Smith at the STEAM Center at Burnham Woods. Kayla loves reading, art, chatting with new and old friends, and spending time with her family on road trips.



Meg "Gem" Sneed

Meg is our STEAM activity leader. Meg is a lifelong Girl Scout, loves reading, going on family adventures, and discovering new foods.



Teri "Hummingbird" Dyer

Teri is the outdoor program manager and oversees outdoor programming and training across the council. She is based at Camp NOARK in Huntsville. Teri loves quality time with her kids, her music turned up loud, chatting with everyone, and being outside.

Community Programs

We have community program troops based in schools, after school programs, or other easy-to-access community spaces for girls and their families. Our staff work with their leaders to provide an enriching curriculum and connect them to events and camping opportunities! We also offer Girl Scouts Rise, an alternative pathway in the juvenile justice system that provides opportunity for personal growth, development, and community service.

Questions about Community Programs?

Reach out to program@girlscoutsdiamonds.org



Meet our Community Program Team

Katie "Sparkle" Vansell



Katie is a community program specialist. She is also a Girl Scout mom and volunteer! Becoming a Girl Scout volunteer opened her eyes to the important work Girl Scouts is doing in the lives of local girls. She encourages everyone to get involved. Katie loves reading non-fiction, hiking, swimming, traveling, campfire songs and spending time with her family.





Who Can Become a Girl Scout?

Any girl, kindergarten through 12th grade, and any adult can join Girl Scouts. You can join a troop or attend events as an Individually Registered Member.

Annual national membership dues are for October 1, 2024–September 30, 2025. Register your Girl Scout membership online at <u>GirlScoutsDiamonds.org</u>.

Girl Scout Mission

Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

Girl Scout Law

I will do my best to be honest and fair, friendly and helpful, considerate and caring, courageous and strong, and responsible for what I say and do, and to respect myself and others, respect authority, use resources wisely, make the world a better place, and be a sister to every Girl Scout.

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.

*Members may substitute for the word God in accordance with their own spiritual beliefs.



Benefits of Girl Scouts

Try new things. Make new friends. Go on more adventures than you can count. There's a whole world of opportunities waiting for you when you become a Girl Scout!

In Girl Scouting, girls enjoy the fun, friendship, and power of girls together. Through enriching experiences and activities, girls discover their values, connect with those who share their vision, and take action to make the world a better place.



The Girl Scout Difference

We all know the Girl Scout mission: building girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place. But how exactly does that happen? Our success comes from focusing on the **Girl Scout Leadership Experience** (GSLE).

The GSLE is designed to help girls everywhere develop as leaders and build confidence by learning new skills. It also ensures that Girl Scouts at every level are sharing a powerful, national experience—girls together changing the world!

Four Pillars of the GSLE

Everything in Girl Scouts centers around our four pillars, designed to meet her where she is now and to grow along with her. Whether she's building a robotic arm, coding her first app, packing for her first hike, or advocating for change in her community, a Girl Scout has an exciting array of choices to suit her interests at every age.



Five Outcomes of the GSLE

Our Girl Scout Leadership Experience is a one-of-a-kind leadership development program for girls, with proven results.

When girls participate in Girl Scouts, they thrive in five key ways:

- 1. Strong Sense of Self
- 2. Positive Values
- 3. Challenge Seeking
- 4. Healthy Relationships
- 5. Problem Solving

Supervision



Some of the programs listed in this guide are open to girls only, with council staff or volunteers providing the necessary supervision. Other programs require that adults register and attend with girls. For those programs, adults must register for and attend the program (and be a current Girl Scout member) with girls using the below recommended volunteer-to-girl ratios.

Volunteer-to-girl ratios show the minimum number of volunteers needed to supervise a specific number of girls to ensure their safety and health. Your group must have at least two unrelated, approved volunteers present at all times, plus additional volunteers as necessary for the group's size. Any adult who supervises girls must be at least 18 years old, a registered Girl Scout member, and background screened before volunteering. One troop co-leader in every group must be female.

	Volunteer-to-Girl Ratio	D	В	J	C	S	A
Troop or Group Meetings	Two unrelated volunteers (at least one of whom is female) for this number of girls:	12	20	25	25	30	30
	Plus one additional volunteer for each additional number of this many girls:	1-6	1-8	1-10	1-12	1-15	1-15
Events, Travel, Camp	Two unrelated volunteers (at least one of whom is female) for this number of girls:	6	12	16	20	24	24
	Plus one additional volunteer for each additional number of this many girls:	1-4	1-6	1-8	1-10	1-12	1-12

Program Symbols

Each Girl Scouts — Diamonds program is designed for different grade levels, and may include a specific theme or activity. This key will help you understand grade levels and the corresponding symbols to pick the events that are just right for you or your troop/group:

- D Daisy (K-1)
- **C** Cadette (6-8)
- **F** Family Guest

- **B** Brownie (2-3)
- **S** Senior (9-10)
- **V** Volunteers

- **J** Junior (4-5)
- A Ambassador (11-12)

Safety First!

For safety guidelines, search NEW Safety Activity Checkpoints on our website.



Grade Levels



DAISIES
(Grades K-1)
Learn to care for themselves, animals, and protect Earth's treasures.



BROWNIES
(Grades 2-3)
Go on a quest to find the keys to leadership and learn their place in the world.



JUNIORS
(Grades 4-5)
Learn types of skills leaders need to succeed, and earn their Bronze Award.



CADETTES
(Grades 6-8)
Develop relationship skills needed to be leaders, and earn their Silver Award.



SENIORS
(Grades 9-10)
Have a vision, lead the world closer to it, and earn their Gold Award.



AMBASSADORS
(Grades 11-12)
Advocate for issues they care about, aim for justice, and earn their Gold Award.

Troop or Individual?

Girl Scouting is for every girl! Whether you belong to a troop or venture solo as an individual member, there is a place for you in Girl Scouts. Either way, you can do all of the activities in this program book! Read on to see which is best for you.

There are two great ways to be a Girl Scout! How will you participate?

As a Troop Member

You will be part of a group that meets regularly and plans activities together.

You will work together as a team to set goals, brainstorm ideas, complete service projects, earn Girl Scout awards, participate in programs (including the Cookie Program), and more!

You will be guided by two or more Girl Scoutqualified volunteers, your activities will be girl-led, and you will develop leadership skills and friendships that will last a lifetime.

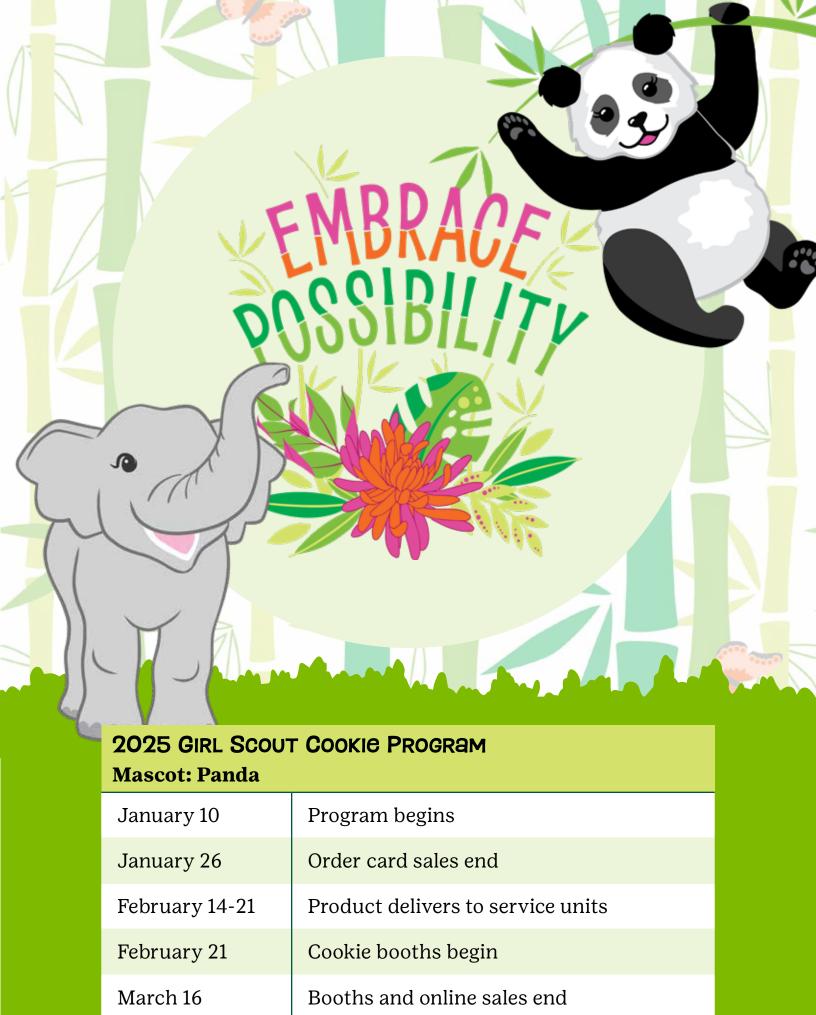
As an Individually Registered Member (IRM)

You will customize your Girl Scout experience with the support of the adult mentor of your choosing.

You can mix and match your interests and participate in EVERY aspect of Girl Scouting, including special events, programs, service projects, travel opportunities, camp, and product programs like selling Girl Scout Cookies!

With no troop meetings, you can arrange your Girl Scout activities around your busy schedule.

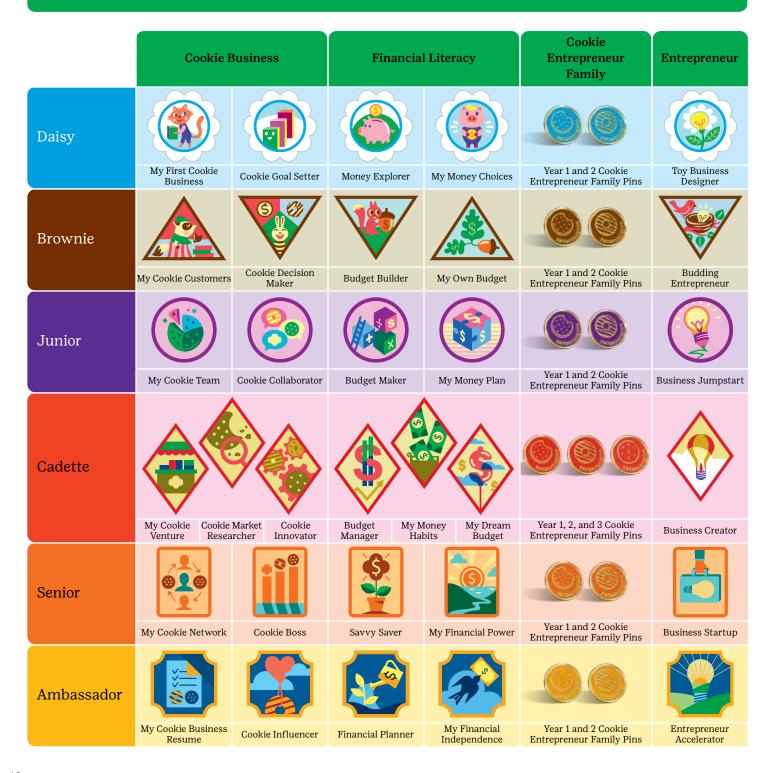
You can earn recognitions and awards, including the Gold Award when you are a Girl Scout Senior or Ambassador!





Entrepreneurship Badges and Pins

When you sell Girl Scout Cookies, you practice-goal setting, decision making, money management, people skills, and business ethics—as you learn to think like an entrepreneur. You can earn badges and pins each year you run your own Girl Scout Cookie business. Then explore your own business idea by earning an Entrepreneur badge.





Rentals

Experience the great outdoors while developing teamwork and self-sufficiency. No matter which adventure you choose, it will be unforgettable.

Equine

Build your own horse activity!

Plan anything from individual lessons to service unit encampments. The barn wants to be your one-stop shop for scheduling and building your experience.

Equine programming is available year-round to all groups. Contact barn@girlscoutsdiamonds.org to book your ground, mounted, or trail ride experience!

Activities

Troops can reserve activities like archery, bb guns, hatchet throwing, outdoor cooking and challenge course activities around the council by emailing camp@girlscoutsdiamonds.org



Property Rentals



Visit a Girl Scout property any time during the year! We welcome all types of groups, Girl Scout members, private parties, and family groups for:

- Troop camping
- Service unit camping and events
- Meeting space (free for Girl Scout members) at all locations, including our regional offices in Fort Smith, Jonesboro, Little Rock and Rogers.
- Family reunions
- Weddings
- Parties and other events

Important



Girl Scout members and their families receive a 50% discount on all overnight rentals! To view availability, rental fees, and to book a reservation, visit our

website or call us at 800-632-6894



CAMP NOARK | HUNTSVILLE

Camp NOARK's 300 acres have been home to Girl Scouts since 1967. This property is located north of the intersection of highway 23 and 412 near Huntsville. Camp NOARK offers horseback riding, target sports, a low ropes course, hiking, hammocking and a sisterhood in song to all. Camp NOARK also offers lodges and cabins with heat/AC and electricity, primitive cabin units, a platform tent unit with canvas tents and platforms for tents.

BURNHAM WOODS | FORT SMITH

Burnham Woods is located in Fort Smith and also serves as one of our regional offices. It is located in the River Valley of Arkansas between the Ouachita Mountains in the south and the Boston and Ozark Mountains of the north and is a gateway city to the Ozarks. This 13.5-acre property offers hiking, outdoor cooking, and hammocking. The housing includes lodges and cabins with heat/AC and electricity, a primitive cabins unit and platforms for tents.





RADFORD HOUSE | HOT SPRINGS

Radford House is a 14-acre property nestled in a wooded oasis in a rapidly developing area of Hot Springs. Radford House offers a spacious meeting room, full kitchen, modern bathroom facilities, cabins, fire pits, hiking trails and a tent area. Radford House is great for groups interested in sightseeing in Historic Hot Springs or enjoying a back-to-basics camping adventure.



Pravel

Pack your bags and get ready to experience the world you live in! Whether you decide to travel near home or far away, these adventures will stay with you forever.

Travel Overview

Girl Scouts love to travel—from the field trips they take as Brownies to the global adventures they go on as teens. If you love exploring different places and cultures, then Girl Scouts is the place for you. How far will your Girl Scout experience take you? That's up to you!

Visit Our Website for ...

- Troop travel information
- GSUSA Destinations Trips
- Important travel forms
- Troop Travel Form

Check with us about age requirements.



Girl Scouts should have experience at every level of the progression before moving on to the next level. For regional travel, girls must be Juniors or older. For national and international trips, girls must be Cadettes or older.

When moving up to each level of the progression, consider girls' independence, flexibility, decision making, group skills, and crosscultural skills.

GSUSA Destinations



Girl Scout Destinations are the ultimate adventure for individual Cadette, Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts. Push past your comfort zone by applying for a trip on your own, and make friends from all over the country as you travel. There's a unique, life-changing experience for everyone.

For more information and additional trips visit: Girl Scouts Destinations.

TRIP NAME	TRIP DATES	GRADES	PROGRAM FEE	
Mountain Biking and More: High Adventure in the Ozarks	June 1-8, 2025	9-12	\$1,350	
New Mexico True	October 9-13, 2025	9-12	\$900	
Desert Dreams	April 1-30, 2026	7-12	\$2,200	
Dublin, London & Paris	June 15-27, 2026	9-12	\$6,094	

Travel Progression



Overnights

Start with one night, maybe at a camp or museum. Progress to a weekend trip in a nearby city or state park

plan the activity and meals, create travel games, and pack their own overnight

Regional Trips

Spend three to four nights away somewhere a few hours from home.

Keep it girl-led: girls plan key details of the trip, such as the activities, the budget, the route. and lodging.

insurance required.

National

Trips

Travel the country!

Trips often last

a week or more.

Girls should think

beyond a typical

vacation location

and consider

museums or

historical sites,

national parks!

Keep it girl-led:

girls lead the entire

community service

insurance required.)

planning process

and might add a

or Take Action

(Extended trip

project.

Travel the world! These life-changing trips usually take one to three years to prepare. Consider visiting a WAGGGS World Centre! Keep it girl-led:

girls download the Global Travel Toolkit and plan their entire trip (including learning about the language, culture, passports and visas, exchange rates, etc.).

(Extended trip insurance required.)

Independent Travel

Cadette, Senior and Ambassador girls with travel experience can travel nationally or internationally independently through council offered travel opportunities program. Check with your council, or visit the Girl Scout Destinations website!

Local Field Trips

Get your travel feet wet! Walk to a nearby garden, or take a short ride to a firehouse or other local spot.

Keep it girl-led: girls choose the location.

Day

Trips

Take an all-day trip!

Keep it girl-led:

girls choose the

activity (perhaps

working toward a

badge) and make

plans for lunch.

location and

Keep it girl-led: girls

(Extended trip

International Trips

or GSUSA's Destinations





Celebrate World Thinking Day!

Start Thinking, Start Changing!



Did you know that each year GSUSA releases a new guide to earning the World Thinking Day badges? There are four steps with three activity choices and a guide for <u>DBJ</u> and a guide for <u>CSA</u>.

The program team finds this is an affordable, educational and fun way to earn the WTD badges each year with their own troops.

Have questions on how to make it work for your troop or a service unit event?

Email <u>program@girlscoutsdiamonds.org</u> and we would be happy to email or chat on the phone about the program.

"We have got to make the world a better and happier place and each of you can do that." -Olave Baden-Powell (1889-1997) World Chief Guide

Download the FREE Girl Scouts World Thinking Day activity guide and see how your thoughts are more powerful than you think!



Girl Scout Week | March 9-15, 2025

Share your pictures of celebrating Girl Scout week with us! online@girlscoutsdiamonds.org



How to Celebrate Girl Scout Week:

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Celebrate your Faith Sunday

Celebrate your faith this day or any day during Girl Scout week. 10

Make New Friends

Make a friendship bracelet and share with a new friend. 11

Wear Your Uniform

Wear your uniform out and about!

12

Girl Scout Birthday

Wear your favorite Girl Scout shirt to celebrate! 13

Get Outdoors

Head to the park, your backyard, or hiking trails with your family or Girl Scout friends. 14

STEAM Day

Create or build a unique creation using your STEAM skills.

15

Serve Your Community

Participate in community service; plant a tree, donate canned goods, clean up litter, etc.

Plan a Girl Scouts Celebrate Faith Event

Girl Scout Week is a time when many troops celebrate the connections between Girl Scouting and their faith, learn more about other faiths, and thank faith partners for their support throughout the year. Girls can join in the festivities on three specially designated dates or a day of your choosing.

Girl Scout Sunday: Sunday, March 9, 2025 Girl Scout Jummah: Friday, March 14, 2025

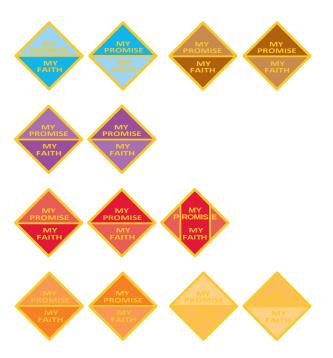
Girl Scout Sabbath/Shabbat: Friday, March 14-Saturday, March 15, 2025

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My Promise, My Faith

The Girl Scout My Promise, My Faith pin invites girls in grades K-12 to experience a faith journey through exploration of the Girl Scout Law and teachings of their faith. The My Promise, My Faith award complements existing religious recognitions and allows all girls to further strengthen the connection between their faith and Girl Scouts. Specific requirements for this award can be found in the Volunteer Toolkit or by reaching out to program@girlscoutsdiamonds.org.



Girls can also earn religious recognitions through the "To Serve God" program. This program was developed to encourage members to grow stronger in their faith. These programs have been approved by GSUSA and awards can be worn on front of vest or sash.



How to Get Started:

- 1. Girls must obtain specific booklet for their religion by contacting religious organization.
 - More information can be found here www.praypub.org/gsusa.
- 2. Caregivers should review program guidelines.
- 3. Caregivers should talk to their religious leaders and show them the booklet before beginning any program.
- 4. Girls must complete requirements, obtain proper signatures and follow the instructions to order the recognition or pin



Discover your potential, meet new friends and adult mentors, share your experiences, and be a role model for younger girls! These awesome opportunities for older Girl Scouts will help you focus on a successful future.

Older Girl Scout Chats

Older Girl Scout Chats is a new way for Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors from all over our council to connect with each other once a month. This virtual, staff-led chat will cover upcoming events, highest awards opportunities, adulting 101, and more.

January 19, 2025

Time: 4-4:45pm Register By: Jan. 9

February 9, 2025

Time: 4-4:45pm Register By: Jan. 30

March 9, 2025

Time: 4-4:45pm Register By: Feb. 27

April 24, 2025

Time: 6-6:45pm Register By: Apr. 10

May 18, 2025

Time: 4-4:45pm Register By: May 8

Older Girl Spring Break Retreat

March 22-24 | Camp NOARK

Cadette Camp Out

January 24-26 | Lake Fort Smith



Council Advisory Team - CAT

The Council Advisory Team (CAT) is a select group of volunteers and girls who will be the voice for their regional areas, sharing/discussing information and issues with the Girl Scouts – Diamonds president and CEO and the 2nd vice-chair of the board of directors, and will be responsible for taking information back to their respective service units and sharing with other members.

For more detailed information about the Council Advisory Team selection process, member requirements and duties, or to request a copy of the Council Advisory Team application, please email: exeassist@girlscoutsdiamonds.org

Program Aide Training

Program Aide training gives Cadette Girl Scouts an opportunity to deepen their understanding of what leadership means to them while also learning how to work with younger Girl Scouts. This training is a prerequisite for any Girl Scout wishing to earn her Program Aide Pin. Program Aides may put their skills into practice by working with younger Girl Scouts at council programs, camps, and troop and service unit events.

Volunteer in Training

Volunteer in Training Program is for Senior or Ambassador Girl Scouts who'd like to mentor a Girl Scout Daisy, Brownie, Junior or Cadette group outside of the camp experience. This training is completely virtual and is one part of the requirements to earn the VIT pin. Once a Girl Scout has completed this training, she should find a volunteer mentor and create and implement a thoughtful Journey or badge program over four or more meetings/sessions. Email program@girlscoutsdiamonds.org to request VIT training today!

Girl Scout Highest Awards

Bronze. Silver. Gold. These represent the highest honors a Girl Scout can earn. All three awards give you the chance to do big things while working on an issue you care about.



Girl Scout Bronze Award

GIRL SCOUT JUNIORS (GRADES 4-5)

The Bronze Award is a leadership adventure and the highest honor a Girl Scout Junior can achieve. As you and your team plan and complete your project, you'll develop more confidence, meet new people, and have the kind of fun that happens when you work together to make a difference.

- 1. Submit a Bronze Award Project Proposal Form (one per group/troop).
- 2. Complete project.
- 3. Submit *Bronze Award Final Report (one final report per award project).*



Girl Scout Silver Award

GIRL SCOUT CADETTES (GRADES 6-8)

The Bronze Award is a leadership adventure and the highest honor a Girl Scout Junior can achieve. As you and your team plan and complete your project, you'll develop more confidence, meet new people, and have the kind of fun that happens when you work together to make a difference.

- 1. Submit a Silver Award Project Proposal Form (one per group/troop).
- 2. Complete project.
- 3. Submit Silver Award Final Report (one per award project).

Bronze and Silver Award Deadlines

SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2025

Deadline for girls to complete their project and submit the final report for recognition at a 2025 Girl Awards ceremony.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

Deadline for Girl Scouts bridging to the next level to complete their project and submit the final report.

Do You Want to Earn a Highest Award?

Have additional questions about Highest Awards? We're here to help. Email us at:

- bronze@girlscoutsdiamonds.org
- silver@girlscoutsdiamonds.org
- gold@girlscoutsdiamonds.org

Or you can visit <u>www.GirlScoutsDiamonds.org</u> and search Bronze, Silver or Gold Awards to find guidelines and other forms.



Highest Award Training

Jump start your Bronze, Silver or Gold Award by attending a Girl Award workshop! These workshops will help you understand each step of the award process so you can change the world with confidence!

Highest Awards training is designed to support adult volunteers who are advising girls earning the highest awards and Girl Scouts earning their highest awards. This training will help both Girl Scouts and volunteers understand how to keep the project aligned with Girl Scout standards and provide an understanding of the process from project proposal to final report submission.

You may request a Highest Awards training for your troop by emailing silver@girlscoutsdiamonds.org or gold@girlscoutsdiamonds.org

January Training

When: January 14, 2025

Register By: Jan 10

Where: Virtual

See more information on pg. 21

Highest Awards and Graduating Senior Ceremony

July 19 | Central



Girl Scout Gold Award

GIRL SCOUT SENIORS AND AMBASSADORS (GRADES 9-12)

The Girl Scout Gold Award represents the highest achievement in Girl Scouting. It recognizes girls in grades 9-12 who demonstrate extraordinary leadership through Take Action projects that have sustainable impact in their communities and beyond.

The Gold Award is viewed by admissions counselors with great regard; you will be eligible for additional college scholarships; and every young woman who earns Gold is eligible to move up one military rank.

SEVEN STEPS ARE REQUIRED TO EARN THE GOLD AWARD:

Highest award training is required for Gold Award

- 1. Choose an issue you care about.
- 2. Investigate your issue.
- 3. Get help and build a team.
- 4. Create a plan.
- 5. Present your plan and get feedback.
- 6. Take action.
- 7. Educate and inspire.

Additional Scholarships and Recognition

There are additional scholarship opportunities available for Ambassador Girl Scouts and Gold Award Girl Scouts.

Go to <u>GirlScoutsDiamonds.org</u> and <u>GirlScouts.org</u> and search "scholarship" for deadlines, requirements, and application processes.

For more information about awards and scholarships, email <u>info@</u> girlscoutsdiamonds.org.



Have more than one passion? Want to try something new? Choose from these amazing activities and have fun while you expand your world!

Camp Q & A

Grades K-12 January 7, 2025 **DBJCSAVF**

Join the Outdoor Program Manager for a Camp Q & A and get all of your camp questions answered!

Time: 6:30-7:30pm Register by: Jan. 7 Where: Virtual Girl Cost: Free

Older Girl Event

Highest Awards Training

Grades 6-12 January 14, 2025

Highest Awards Training is for any Girl Scout who would like to earn their Silver or Gold Award, and for any supporting volunteers. This is an online training that is required to start the Gold Award process. We will review Silver and Gold Award steps and processes.

Time: 6-6:45pm Register by: Jan. 7 Where: Virtual Girl Cost: Free

Creative Quest: Tinker, Create, Innovate!

Grades K-3 January 18, 2025 DB

Join us for a day of imagination and inspiration, where Girl Scouts will earn their Craft and Tinker, Art and Design, and Create and Innovate badges! Come ready to explore, imagine, and innovate as we create art from recycled materials and more.

Time: 10am-3:00pm Register by: Jan. 9 Where: Southwest Center,

Texarkana Girl Cost: \$10

Democracy in Action: Girls Take the Lead

Grades K-5

DBJ

January 18, 2025

Join us for "Democracy in Action," a workshop empowering Girl Scouts to understand civic engagement. Learn how to express your voice, participate in community decisions, and make a positive impact. This interactive experience will inspire you to be an active citizen in your community!

Time: 9:30-11:30am Register by: Jan. 9

Where: William J. Clinton Library and Museum, Little Rock

Girl Cost: \$2

Older Girl Event

Democracy in Action: Girls Take the Lead

Grades 6-12 January 18, 2025 **CSA**

Join us for "Democracy in Action," a workshop empowering Girl Scouts to understand civic engagement. Learn how to express your voice, participate in community decisions, and make a positive impact. This interactive experience will inspire you to be an active citizen in your community!

Time: 1–3pm Register by: Jan. 9 Where: William J. Clinton Library and Museum, Little

Rock Girl Cost: \$2

Donutology

Grades K-5 January 19, 2025

Dive into the world of donuts. discovering the process behind making them from scratch and learning creative decorating techniques. Participants take home their delicious. custom-decorated donuts!

Time: 1–3pm Register by: Jan. 9

Where: Red Barn Donuts, Rogers

Girl Cost: \$15

Older Girl Event

Cadette Camp Out

Grades 6-8 January 24-26, 2025

Join us for an enriching weekend camping trip designed just for Cadettes. This immersive experience combines outdoor adventure with creative and mental wellness activities, allowing Girl Scouts to develop new skills in a supportive and inspiring environment. By participating in this program, participants will earn the new Mental Wellness Patch, Finding My Voice, and the Book Artist Badge, showcasing their commitment to personal wellbeing and artistic expression.

Time: Friday, 5pm-Sunday,

11am

Register by: Jan. 9

Where: Lake Fort Smith, Fort

Smith

Girl Cost: \$50

Older Girl Event

Donutology

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Grades 6-12 January 26, 2025

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Dive into the world of donuts, discovering the process behind making them from scratch and learning creative decorating techniques. Participants take home their delicious, custom-decorated donuts!

Time: 1–3pm Register by: Jan. 16 Where: Red Barn Donuts,

Rogers Girl Cost: \$15

Jeweler Badge Workshop

Grades 4-5 January 27, 2025 J

It's time to shine! Earn your Jeweler badge in this workshop with expert tips from Amazeum jewelry masters. Create unique, funky jewelry inspired by the world around you.

Time: 6-8pm Register by: Jan. 16

Where: Amazeum, Bentonville



STEAM Day at the Jones Center

Grades 2-5 February 1, 2025 BJ

Participants can explore health and wellness through fun activities, dive into engineering and technology with hands-on challenges, and unleash their creativity in fine arts workshops. This is a fantastic opportunity to engage in teamwork, discover new skills, and earn badges in a vibrant and supportive environment.

Time: 10am-5pm Register by: Jan. 20

Where: Jones Center, Springdale

Girl Cost: \$25

Older Girl Event

Cadette Program Aide Training

Grades 6-8 February 8, 2025 C

Program Aide Training allows
Cadette Girl Scouts to deepen
their understanding of what
leadership means to them
while also learning how to
work with younger Girl Scouts.
This training is a prerequisite
for all Cadettes wishing to
earn the Program Aide Pin.
Program Aides may put their
skills into practice working
with younger Girl Scouts at
council programs, camps, and
troop and service unit events.

Time: 10am-3pm Register by: Jan. 30

Where: Jonesboro Girl Scout

Office

Girl Cost: \$30

Use Resources Wisely Badge

Grades K-1 February 8, 2025 D

Learn how to make eco-friendly choices, explore sustainable practices, and discover ways to reduce waste while shopping. This fun, hands-on experience will inspire smarter choices for a greener future!

Time: 2-3pm Register by: Jan. 23

Where: Natural Grocers, Little Rock

Girl Cost: \$2

Inventor Badge Workshop

Grades 2-3 February 8, 2025 В

Today's forecast: brainstorms! To earn your Inventor badge, learn how to bring your wild and crazy ideas to life and make them the best they can be.

Time: 10am-12pm Register by: Jan. 30

Where: Amazeum, Bentonville

Girl Cost: \$20

Hunger Heroes

Grades 2-12 February 15, 2025 **BJCSAV**

Join us for an impactful day at the Arkansas Food Bank, where Girl Scouts will have the opportunity to earn their Hunger Relief patch while making a real difference in the fight against hunger. Participants will volunteer in various hands-on activities, such as sorting and packaging food donations, and organizing supplies for families in need.

Time: 9am-12pm Register by: Feb. 6

Where: Arkansas Food Bank, Little

Rock

Girl Cost: Free

Older Girl Event

Engineering Event with ASMSA

Grades 6-12 February 22, 2025 **CSA**

Dive into the fascinating world of engineering with ASMSA as we explore how creativity, problem-solving, and teamwork come together to shape the future.

Time: 10am-4pm Register by: Feb. 13

Where: Arkansas School for Mathematics, Science and the

Arts, Hot Springs **Girl Cost:** \$10

My Best Self

Grades 2-3 February 22, 2025 В

Earn the My Best Self badge by learning about balanced nutrition in a fun, hands-on workshop! Explore healthy eating, make smart food choices, and discover how to take care of your body—all while having fun and staying active.

Time: 2-3:30pm Register by: Feb. 13

Where: Natural Grocers, Little Rock

Girl Cost: \$2

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Time: 2-3:30pm Register by: Feb. 13

Where: Natural Grocers, Fayetteville

Older Girl Event

Sudsy Creations - Craft Your Own Soap

Grades 6-12 February 22, 2025 **CSA**

In this hands-on soap-making class, Girl Scouts will mix ingredients, choose colors, and add scents to create unique soaps. This fun blend of creativity and science is perfect for all ages, Each Girl Scout will take home 6-8 bars of soap!

Time: 10am-12pm Register by: Feb. 13 Where: Magnolia Soap.

Jonesboro Girl Cost: \$35

Texarkana Aviation

Grades K-12 February 22, 2025 **DBJCSAV**

Hello future aviators! Earn your wings during this day of hands-on learning and adventure in aviation and aerospace. By the end, you'll have gained skills, knowledge, and your Aviation badge.

Time: 10am-12pm Register by: Feb. 13

Where: Texarkana College of

Aviation Texarkana

Girl Cost: \$2

Women's History Month

Grades K-12 March 1-31, 2025 **DBJCSAVF**

Celebrate Women's History Month by earning your Women's History badge at the museum! Explore inspiring stories of women trailblazers, discover their impact on history, and take part in engaging activities that highlight women's achievements across various fields. Entrance is free during Women's History Month for all Girl Scouts!

Where: William J. Clinton Library and Museum, Little Rock

Girl Cost: Free

Art Journaling

Grades 4-12 March 1, 2025

JCSA

Participants will explore selfexpression through a variety of art techniques, including painting, collage, and writing. This hands-on workshop encourages girls to express their thoughts and feelings while building confidence and artistic skills. Join us for a fun, inspiring day of creativity and connection!

Time: 9:30am-12pm Register by: Feb. 20

Where: Radford House, Hot Springs

Girl Cost: \$10

Textile Artists: Sewing Machine Edition

Grades 4-8 March 3, 2025

Come explore the sewing machine. Learn the basics and start making! It's time to create, test, and tweak

your one of a kind sewn creation!

Time: 6-8pm Register by: Feb. 20

Where: Amazeum, Bentonville

Girl Cost: \$20



Amazeum Fun Patch Night

Grades K-12 March 7, 2025 **DBJCSAVF**

After the Amazeum closes, Girl Scouts take over for an exclusive STEAM event! Enjoy exhibits, hands-on challenges, and earn a unique Amazeum Fun Patch.

Time: 6-8pm Register by: Feb. 27

Where: Amazeum, Bentonville

Girl Cost: \$15 Adult Cost: \$8



Simple Meals

Grades 4-5 March 8, 2025

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Discover delicious recipes and cooking techniques that make healthy eating fun. This handson workshop is perfect for young chefs ready to gain skills and confidence in the kitchen while creating tasty meals!

Time: 2-3:30pm Register by: Feb. 27

Where: Natural Grocers, Little Rock

Girl Cost: \$2

Camp Q & A

Grades K-12 March 11, 2025 **DBJCSAVF**

Join the Outdoor Program Manager for a Camp Q & A and get all of your camp questions answered!

Time: 6:30-7:30pm Register by: Mar. 11 Where: Virtual Girl Cost: Free

Girl Scouts Archery

Grades 2-5 March 15, 2025 \mathbf{BJ}

Take aim and discover the basics of archery. Learn how to safely handle a bow, practice proper form, and shoot for the target. Build confidence and have fun as you challenge yourself with this exciting skill!

Time: 10am-12pm Register by: Mar. 6

Where: Witt Stephens Jr. Nature

Center, Little Rock



Girl Scout Week: Back to Basics

Grades K-12 March 13, 2025 **DBJCSAVF**

Celebrate Girl Scout Week by going Back to Basics! This fun and interactive event will focus on classic Girl Scout skills like knot tying, fire building, outdoor cooking, first aid, and more. Girls will have the chance to work together, learn essential life skills, and connect with their Girl Scout heritage through hands-on activities and teamwork challenges.

Time: 5:30-8pm Register by: Mar. 11

Where: Burnham Woods, Fort Smith

Girl Cost: \$5

DIY - Bath Salt Bash

Grades 2-5 March 15, 2025 BJ

Craft your own unique bath salts by selecting soothing scents and fun add-ins, perfect for a spa-like experience at home. Experiment with different combinations to create something truly special for self-care.

Time: 2–3pm Register by: Mar. 6

Where: Milk & Sugar Bath Co.,

Springdale Girl Cost: \$15

Girl Scouts Archery

Grades 2-12 March 15, 2025 **BJCSA**

Take aim and discover the basics of archery. Learn how to safely handle a bow, practice proper form, and shoot for the target. Build confidence and have fun as you challenge yourself with this exciting skill!

Time: 10am-12pm Register by: Mar. 6

Where: Delta Rivers Nature Center,

Pine Bluff Girl Cost: \$2

Older Girl Event

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Woodworker

Grades 6-8 March 15, 2025

Learn how to safely use tools, measure, cut, and assemble your own project. With expert guidance, you'll bring a project to life and build confidence in your skills.

Time: 1–3pm Register by: Mar. 6 Where: Home Depot,

Fayetteville Girl Cost: \$5

Woodworker

Grades 6-8

March 22, 2025

Time: 1–3pm Register by: Mar. 13

Where: Home Depot, Batesville

Girl Cost: \$5

Woodworker

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Time: 1-3pm

Register by: Mar. 13

Where: Home Depot, Cabot

Girl Cost: \$5

Woodworker

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Register by: Mar. 13 Where: Home Depot,

Texarkana Girl Cost: \$5

Woodworker

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March 22, 2025

Time: 1–3pm

Register by: Mar. 13

Where: Home Depot, Harrison

Girl Cost: \$5

Discover Aviation

Grades K-12 March 25, 2025 **DBJCSA**

What causes the plane or helicopter to fly? Learn this and more! Tour the airport and meet aviation professionals.

Time: 10am-12pm Register by: Mar. 20 Where: Russellville Airport,

Russellville

Girl Cost: \$2





Girl Scout Night at Mid-America Museum

Grades K-12 March 29, 2025 **DBJCSAVF**

Join us for Girl Scout Night at Mid-America Museum. Enjoy exclusive access to exhibits, fun activities, and learning experiences. This exciting evening is perfect for building friendships and creating lasting memories while exploring the wonders of science and art together!.

Time: 5-9pm

Register by: Mid-America Museum, Hot Springs

Where: Mar. 27 Girl Cost: \$15 Adult Cost: \$8

Batesville Aviation

Grades K-12 March 29, 2025 **BJCSAV**

Hello future aviators! Earn your wings during this day of hands-on learning and adventure in aviation and aerospace. By the end, you'll have gained skills, knowledge, and your Aviation badge.

Time: 9–11am Register by: Mar. 20

Where: Batesville Airport, Batesville

Girl Cost: \$2

Girl Scout Day at Queen Wilhelmina State Park

Grades K-12 March 29, 2025 **DBJCSA**

Explore the wonders of wildlife and nature! Get up close with native animals through hands-on discovery and learn the art of tracking their movements. Hike scenic trails, identify animal habitats, and uncover the secrets of the natural world. Along the way, you'll build essential outdoor skills and earn your animal and trail badges in an adventure-packed day!

Time: 9:30am-3:30pm Register by: Mar. 20

Where: Queen Wilhelmina State

Park, Mena **Girl Cost:** \$15

Let's Talk Automotive

Grades K-12 April 5, 2025 **DBJCSAVF**

Join us for an exciting workshop where Daisies, Brownies, and Juniors can earn their Automotive badge! Families are welcome to participate in hands-on activities, learn about vehicle safety, and explore basic car maintenance. This fun-filled event is a great opportunity to bond while gaining valuable skills!

Time: 10am-12pm Register by: Mar. 27 Where: The Museum of Automobiles, Morrilton

Girl Cost: \$5 Adult Cost: \$5

Pomeroy Planitarium

Grades K-12 April 5, 2025

DBJCSAVF

Visit the Pomeroy Planetarium to explore the wonders of the universe through an engaging presentation. This exciting activity will inspire curiosity about astronomy and encourage a love for science among our Girl Scouts!

Time: 11am-12pm Register by: Mar. 27

Where: Pomeroy Planitarium,

Monticello Girl Cost: \$2

5th Annual SOWACO Service Unit Fishing Derby

Grades K-12 April 5, 2025

DBJCSAVF

Girl Scouts will fish in 45-minute timed heats. Girls only need to attend their assigned heat, not the entire morning. This is a wonderful chance for girls of all ages to try their hand at fishing. No experience necessary. Volunteers will be available to help girls who have never fished before. Parents and guardians are welcome to attend and help girls as needed.

Time: 8am-12pm Register by: Mar. 27

Where: Elks Lodge, Fayetteville

Girl Cost: \$5



Older Girl Event

Float the Illinois River

Grades 6-12 April 5, 2025 CSA

Paddle along the scenic Illinois River with this adventure just for Girl Scouts! Girls will learn basic paddling skills, explore the river's natural beauty, and enjoy the peaceful surroundings. With opportunities to spot wildlife and relax on the water, this float trip promises fun and unforgettable outdoor memories!

Time: 9am-3pm Register by: Mar. 27

Where: Illinois River, Siloam

Springs **Girl Cost:** \$5

Discover Aviation

Grades K-12 April 12, 2025 **DBJCSAVF**

What causes the plane or helicopter to fly? Learn this and more! Tour the airport and meet aviation professionals.

Time: 10am-12pm Register by: Apr. 3

Where: South Arkansas Regional

Airport, El Dorado Girl Cost: \$2

Code Quest

Grades K-3 April 12, 2025 DB

Girls will explore the exciting world of programming through fun, hands-on activities that build problem-solving skills, creativity, and teamwork!

Time: 1–4pm Register by: Apr. 3 Where: TBD, Fayetteville



Older Girl Event

DIY - Bath Salt Bash

Grades 6-12

CSA April 12, 2025 Craft your own unique bath salts by selecting soothing

scents and fun add-ins, perfect for a spa-like experience at home. Experiment with different combinations to create something truly special for self-care.

Time: 10am-12pm Register by: Apr. 3

Where: Milk & Sugar Bath Co,

Springdale Girl Cost: \$15

Living on the White River

Grades K-12 April 12, 2025 **DBJCSAF**

Step back in time and explore history like never before! At the museum, Girl Scouts can dive into interactive exhibits like the Smithsonian Food Exhibit, stroll through the outdoor garden, decorate cookies, create crafts, and plant a takehome daisy. Interpreters will share stories and demonstrate life along the White River 200 years ago, making history come alive!

Time: 10am-4pm Register by: Apr. 3

Where: Old Independence Regional

Museum, Batesville

Girl Cost: \$6 Adult Cost: \$3

Let's Paint Ceramics!

Grades K-12 April 12, 2025 **DBJCSAVF**

Girl Scouts, friends, and family can unleash their creativity by painting beautiful ceramic pieces. This fun, hands-on event is perfect for all skill levels and offers a chance to bond while creating unique masterpieces to take home!

Time: 9–11am Register by: Apr. 11 Where: Fired Up, Cabot **Girl Cost:** \$10-\$35 **Adult Cost:** \$10-\$35

Girl Scouts Kayaking

Grades 2-5 April 19, 2025 \mathbf{BJ}

Experience the joy of being on the water while fostering a love for the outdoors! Learn basic paddling skills and discover how to roll your kayak in this exciting adventure. With plenty of fun and new friends, every moment will inspire a sense of adventure!

Register by: Apr. 10

Where: Crowley's Ridge State Park,

Paragould Girl Cost: \$10

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Time: 2-4pm Register by: Apr. 10

Where: Crowley's Ridge State Park,

Paragould Girl Cost: \$10

Girl Scouts Archery

Grades 2-5 April 19, 2025 \mathbf{BJ}

Take aim and discover the basics of archery. Learn how to safely handle a bow, practice proper form, and shoot for the target. Build confidence and have fun as you challenge yourself with this exciting skill!

Time: 10am-12pm Register by: Apr. 10

Where: Witt Stephens Jr. Nature

Center, Little Rock Girl Cost: \$2

Older Girl Event

Eating for You

Grades 6-8 April 26, 2025 C

Discover the importance of balanced nutrition, learn how to make healthier food choices, and explore how different foods fuel your body. This interactive workshop is perfect for Girl Scouts looking to develop lifelong healthy eating habits!

Time: 2-3:30pm Register by: Apr. 17

Where: Natural Grocers, Little

Rock

Girl Cost: \$2

Time: 10am-12pm

Scent and Fizz: Bath Bombs

Grades K-5 April 26, 2025 **DBJ**

In this class, Girl Scouts will learn to make their very own bath bombs by mixing together colorful, fragrant ingredients to design unique bath bombs they will get to take home.

Time: 10am-12pm Register by: Apr. 17

Where: Magnolia Soap, Jonesboro

Girl Cost: \$20

Wild N' Wonderful

Grades K-12 April 26, 2025 **DBJCSAV**

Experience the outdoors at SoWaCo Service Unit's Wild N' Wonderful event without the planning!
Girls create their own schedules with choices like 3D Archery,
Creative Critters Art, Goat Yoga,
Insane Insects, and Smokey the
Bear's Forestry Fun. Activities
offer something for everyone,
from adventure to creativity.

Time: 9am-5pm Register by: Apr. 17

Where: Camp NOARK, Huntsville

Girl Cost: \$10 Adult Cost: \$10

Older Girl Event

Eating for You

Grades 6-8 April 26, 2025

Discover the importance of balanced nutrition, learn how to make healthier food choices, and explore how different foods fuel your body. This interactive workshop is perfect for Girl Scouts looking to develop lifelong healthy eating habits!

Time: 2-3:30pm Register by: Apr. 17 Where: Natural Grocers,

Fayetteville Girl Cost: \$2



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Girl Scouts Kayaking

Grades 6-12 April 26, 2025

Experience the joy of being on the water while fostering a love for the outdoors! Hone your paddling skills and practice rolling your kayak in this exciting adventure. With plenty of fun and new friends, every moment will inspire a sense of adventure!

Time: 10am-12pm Register by: Apr. 17

Where: Crowley's Ridge State

Park Paragould **Girl Cost:** \$10

Venture Out II

Volunteers April 26, 2025

Completing this hybrid activity will allow you to enhance your outdoor skills and learn about troop outdoor and overnight progression.

Time: 9am-1pm Register by: Apr. 17

Where: Radford House, Hot Springs

Adult Cost: \$20

Older Girl Event

Girl Scouts Kayaking

Grades 6-12 April 26, 2025 CSA

Experience the joy of being on the water while fostering a love for the outdoors! Hone your paddling skills and practice rolling your kayak in this exciting adventure. With plenty of fun and new friends, every moment will inspire a sense of adventure!

Time: 2–4pm Register by: Apr. 17

Where: Crowley's Ridge State

Park, Paragould **Girl Cost:** \$10

Venture Out III - Outdoor Cooking

Grades 9-12, Volunteer April 26, 2025 SAV

Dutch ovens, box ovens, propane stoves and more! Learn all about outdoor cooking and create at least six dishes during this training.

Time: 1–6pm Register by: Apr. 17

Where: Radford House, Hot Springs

Girl Cost: \$25 Adult Cost: \$25

Older Girl Event

Digital Movie Maker Workhop

Grades 6-8 April 28, 2025 C

Explore the science behind movie-making! You've probably spent countless hours watching movies, here is your chance to see what it takes to create a movie from start to finish.

Time: 6-8pm Register by: Apr. 17

Where: Amazeum, Bentonville

Girl Cost: \$20

Basic Kayaking

Grades 4-5 May 3, 2025 J

Experience the joy of being on the water while fostering a love for the outdoors! Learn basic paddling skills and discover how to roll your kayak in this exciting adventure. With plenty of fun and new friends, every moment will inspire a sense of adventure!

Time: 10am-12pm Register by: Apr. 24

Where: Lake Siloam Springs, Siloam

Springs **Girl Cost:** \$2

Discover Aviation

Grades K-5 May 10, 2025 **DBJ**

What causes the plane or helicopter to fly? Learn this and more! Tour the airport and meet aviation professionals.

Time: 10am-12pm Register by: May 1

Where: Thaden Field, Bentonville

Girl Cost: \$2

Fluttering Wings: Butterfly Gardening

Grades 4-5 May 10, 2025

Come join us at Crystal Bridges for a fun morning as we dive into the magical world of butterflies! You'll learn how to make your own backyard a colorful home for these beautiful creatures. Get ready to flutter with excitement as you discover how to create a special garden just for butterflies!

Time: 9:30-11am Register by: May 1

Where: Crystral Bridges, Museum

Bentonville **Girl Cost:** \$2

Older Girl Event

Discover Aviation

Grades 6-12 May 10, 2025

What causes the plane or helicopter to fly? Learn this and more! Tour the airport and meet aviation professionals.

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Time: 1–3pm Register by: May 1 Where: Thaden Field,

Bentonville Girl Cost: \$2



Camp Q & A

Grades 12 May 13, 2025

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Join the Outdoor Program Manager for a Camp Q & A and get all of your camp questions answered!

Time: 6:30–7:30pm Register by: May 13 Where: Virtual Girl Cost: Free

STEM with Molex

Grades 4-12 May 17, 2025 **JCSA**

Explore the exciting world of engineering with a tour of the Molex working lab! Participants will learn about innovative technologies and the engineering process while engaging in hands-on activities. This unique opportunity offers insight into real-world applications and inspiration for future engineers.

Time: 9:30am-12pm Register by: May 8 Where: Molex, Conway

Girl Cost: \$2

Older Girl Event

Cadette Archery

Grades 6-8 May 17, 2025

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Ready, aim, and refine your archery skills! Learn proper form, improve your accuracy, and challenge yourself with new techniques. With expert guidance, you'll gain confidence and develop the focus needed to hit your target.

Time: 10am-12pm Register by: May 8 Where: Witt Stephens Jr. Nature Center, Little Rock



Girl Scouts at Moro Bay State Park

Grades 4-12 May 18, 2025 **JCSA**

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Adventure awaits at Moro Bay State Park! Girl Scouts will learn basic kayaking skills, meet a live bird ambassador and an animal educator, and enjoy a scenic hike. With handson crafts and plenty of outdoor fun, this is the perfect day to connect with nature and explore new skills!

Time: 9am-3:30pm Register by: May 8

Where: Moro Bay State Park, Jersey

Girl Cost: \$15

Older Girl Event

Cadette Safe Sitter Training

Grades 6-8 May 31, 2025

Safe Sitter Training gives
Cadettes the opportunity to
earn their Babysitter Badge.
This in-depth training will
give Girl Scouts the confidence
and knowledge to babysit.
The program will cover

CPR and first aid, business practices, characteristics of children and how to care for them, diapering, and more.

Time: 10am-4pm Register by: May 15

Where: Jonesboro Girl Scout

Office

Girl Cost: \$35



Wonder Women of Science

Grades 1-8 June 16-20, 2025 DBJC

Get ready for the Wonder Women of Science Day Camp, where girls can step into the shoes of trailblazing women in STEM! Girls will experiment like chemists with colorful reactions, engineer innovative solutions through building challenges, code with beginner-friendly programming games and robotics, and explore nature's mysteries by learning about environmental science.

Time: Monday, 9am-Friday,

5pm

Register by: June 10

Where: Radford House, Hot

Springs

Girl Cost: \$130



Signature Event

Summer Camp at Camp NOARK

Grades 1-12 June 8-Juy 11, 2025

DBJCSA

At Camp NOARK, nestled in the heart of the Ozarks, we honor the Girl Scout tradition of fostering growth, creativity, and a love for the outdoors. Every girl who steps foot on camp will find a space where she belongs, a place to unplug, discover her strengths, and create memories that will last a lifetime.

Summer Camp registration opens January 8!

Check out our 2025 Camp Guide for more information

Signature Event

Camp Imagination

Grades 1-8 July 21-25, 2025 **DBJC**

Experience a vibrant day camp focused on all things art! Participants will explore a variety of creative activities, including painting, drawing, crafting, and mixed media. Each day will feature handson projects that encourage self-expression and inspire imagination. With expert guidance and a fun, supportive environment, campers will develop their artistic skills and build confidence while making new friends. Whether a budding artist or just looking to have fun, this camp promises a colorful and engaging experience!

Time: Monday, 9am-Friday,

5pm

Register by: July 8

Where: STEAM Center, Fort

Smith







Are you ready to change the world? No matter how much time you have to give to Girl Scouts, you can make an impact. Whether you are interested in being a co-leader, adult support, cookie mom or dad, trainer, mentor, or friend, we will find a role that suits your skills and interests.

Our Structure

To help us manage 8,000 members each year, our council is split into 44 service units. Service units and service unit volunteers play an important role in delivering the GSLE throughout our state. Troops and members are organized into their local service unit by their county and ZIP code.



1. NATIONAL ORGANIZATION

Girl Scouts of the USA is the national organization supporting local Girl Scout councils.

2. LOCAL COUNCILS

Girl Scouts — Diamonds is an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit that fundraises to operate programs and camps for Girl Scouts in Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas.

3. SERVICE UNITS

Within our council are service units, entities governed by our council policies and managed by adult volunteers who support the day-to-day operations of troops.

4. TROOPS

Troops are groups of girls matched with adult volunteers who have successfully completed a background screen.

Ways to Volunteer

Be one of the nearly 3 million enthusiastic Girl Scout members who are discovering what it takes to make a difference in their community! Experience the fun, friendship, and power of girls together. Become a Girl Scout volunteer. Here are just a few of the many volunteer roles from which you can choose:

- **TROOP LEADER/CO-LEADER** Work with a group of girls and mentor them as they make new friends and develop connections that will last a lifetime.
- **TROOP SUPPORT VOLUNTEER** Assist the leadership team with driving, activity planning, snacks, money management, or other tasks necessary to keep the troop running oh-so-smoothly from week to week.
- TROOP FAMILY AND FRIENDS Troop Family and Friends volunteers are parents/guardians or family friends who want to support their Girl Scout by attending troop meetings and Girl Scout events. These adult members also support the troop by occasionally helping at meetings or activities.
- **COOKIE VOLUNTEERS** Coordinate the annual cookie program at the troop level. Set up cookie booths, manage inventory and money, and then watch the girls light up when they earn the rewards for being the best cookie entrepreneurs ever!
- **SERVICE UNIT VOLUNTEER** Mentor adult volunteers as they work with Girl Scouts to create memories they will never forget.

Service Unit Roles

Interested in volunteering, but not in a troop role? Volunteering with your local service unit may be for you! Our service units have roles that impact our girls, but you do not work directly with them. Work with other adults to provide a better experience for girls—help plan an event in your area, recruit girls at your local schools, or keep track of finances. We always need new ideas to help grow Girl Scouting in your area!

Volunteering does not require a long-term commitment—volunteer for one event, one meeting, or one year in one of the service unit positions. Visit our website for more complete information about volunteering with Girl Scouts.

Volunteer Service Hour Awards

DID YOU KNOW?

The President of the United States of America wants to recognize you for your volunteer hours? Girl Scouts – Diamonds wants to help Girl Scout adult volunteers receive this recognition. The submission deadline for the Volunteer Service Hour Awards is February 1. Visit the Volunteer Awards and Recognitions web page to learn more.

Do you know a volunteer who deserves to be recognized?

We do and we're sure you do too! Each year the volunteer experience team hosts an Adult Recognition Ceremony where volunteers at every level are highlighted and appreciated for their dedicated service. Visit the <u>Volunteer Awards and Recognitions</u> web page for award descriptions and to learn about the

nomination process. The submission deadline is April 15.

Volunteer Events



First Aid/CPR

Adults and girls (age 11 or older) who are Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors can attend this training and receive their Adult & Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED certification. This is a hybrid training with online coursework and an in-person skills test. This training meets First-Aider criteria for adult members and leaders needing certification for troop travel. Please keep on eye on out for information on spring training dates in each region. We also offer this training on request for a minimum of 10 participants. If you have 10 participants in your troop or service unit, please contact training@girlscoutsdiamonds.org

Youth Mental Health First Aid

Youth Mental Health First Aid is a free training designed to teach parents, family members, caregivers, teachers, school staff, peers, neighbors, health and human services workers, and other caring citizens how to help an adolescent (age 12-18) who is experiencing a mental health or addiction challenge or is in crisis. The course introduces common mental health challenges for youth, reviews typical adolescent development, and teaches a 5-step action plan for how to help young people in both crisis and non-crisis situations. We offer this training on request for a minimum of 10 participants. If you have 10 participants in your troop or service unit, please contact training@girlscoutsdiamonds.org.



LEAF Retreat

May 3-4 | Camp NOARK

Answer the call to help adventurer Ozark Jones in her hunt for the Lost Diamond at LEAF Retreat 2025!

LEAF Retreat (Leadership, Education and Fun) is a weekend full of workshops to help volunteers with their troops plus workshops that are "just for fun." We are currently putting together our schedule for the event, but past offerings have covered topics such as outdoor skills, mental health, First Aid/CPR, conflict resolution, team building, ceremonies and traditions, and lots of crafts! Enjoy camp as you spend time with other volunteers and work together to solve the mystery of the Lost Diamond.

Event Registration and Information

ACCOMMODATIONS

Please list all accommodations needed (allergies, accessibility needs, etc.) on the online event registration form.

EVENT CANCELLATIONS

If an event is canceled, the person listed on the registration form as the troop or parent contact will be notified by phone or email. For troop registrations, it will be the responsibility of the troop contact person to notify all girls registered for the event. Cancellations initiated by the council or program partner will result in full refund of fees paid.

FEES

Event fees are charged to cover the costs of events and are due at the time of registration. Fees can be paid through troop funds, individually or with Diamonds Dollars. Scholarships are not available for event fees.

EVENT FEE REFUND/SUBSTITUTIONS

Event fee refunds will be given if the registrar is notified in writing 10 business days PRIOR to the event. No shows will be refunded only in the case of serious illness or family death. For serious illness, a doctor's written note is required and should be submitted within 7 days after the event. Events that are \$5 and under are ineligible for a refund. Substitutions are welcome, but please notify staff during check in if you are substituting one Girl Scout for another.

EVENT MINIMUMS

Each event has a minimum number of attendees necessary for the event to occur. Event minimums will be stated in the event description on the registration page. If the minimum is not reached, it will be canceled and registrants will receive a refund.

REGISTRATION

Registration for programs is through gsEvents, which can be accessed from the MyGS tab on our website. All families have a MyGS account (please use the forgot password option if you do not know your password). Registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. We cannot hold space without payment.

REGISTRATION DEADLINES

Please be mindful of event registration deadlines! Early registration is encouraged, as many events fill quickly. Fees may increase past the registration deadline or spots may not be available. Late registrations for events is not accepted. This includes switching registrations between people. All changes to registrations should be made before event registration closes. The Program Registration Information document answers your questions about deadlines, fees, refunds, cancellations and more!

TAGALONGS AND FAMILY GUESTS

A "tagalong" is any family member 4 and under. Unless otherwise noted in event descriptions, tagalongs are not allowed at events due to liability issues and limited space. Leaders must check with program staff or the program partner to see if it is okay to bring tagalongs and inform their troop parents of this regulation.

A "family guest" is any child or adult other than the specific agelevel being served at the event. Family guests are only allowed if the event specifies. Family guests must be registered for events as a family guest to attend.

Event Etiquette

All adults and girls are expected to follow all components of the Girl Scout Law. Please adhere to the Safety Activity Checkpoints to ensure safety of Girl Scouts, families, leaders, and staff. It's important to have directions to the event venue and plan on their arriving with enough time to walk to checkin before the start time. Please be sure to check the weather and dress appropriately for the type of event you are attending. Let girls take the lead! While adults should be nearby to supervise, allow girls to do activities with minimal adult intervention. Sometimes event leaders need extra help to manage activities. If you have extra adults or self-sufficient girls, consider asking how you can help. Be sure to thank your event leaders for sharing their time and skills with you!

How to Register for a Program Online

Registering online is the quickest way to reserve your spot in the program you want to attend Here are some tips to help you get started!

- You can view programs you are registered for and past events you attended in the My Events tab of your MY GS account. You can also easily see if you still owe a balance on any program registration fees.
- Troop co-leaders can register family members and troop members for programs.
- You can let us know if you want to pay via program credit (Diamonds Dollars) though more action is still required:
 - **NOTE:** Your spot won't be saved until the program registration fee is paid in full, or the deposit is paid (on applicable programs).
 - To process payments using Diamonds Dollars, please call the retail shop.
- Some programs have required documents and additional information for registrants. To check if this applies to you, return to the program in the My Events tab and see "Additional Documents."

We're Here for You!

Our Customer Care Team makes it easy to get your Girl Scout questions answered. We are focused on providing helpful information quickly and efficiently.

REACH OUT TO US:

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The Girl Scout Shop and More

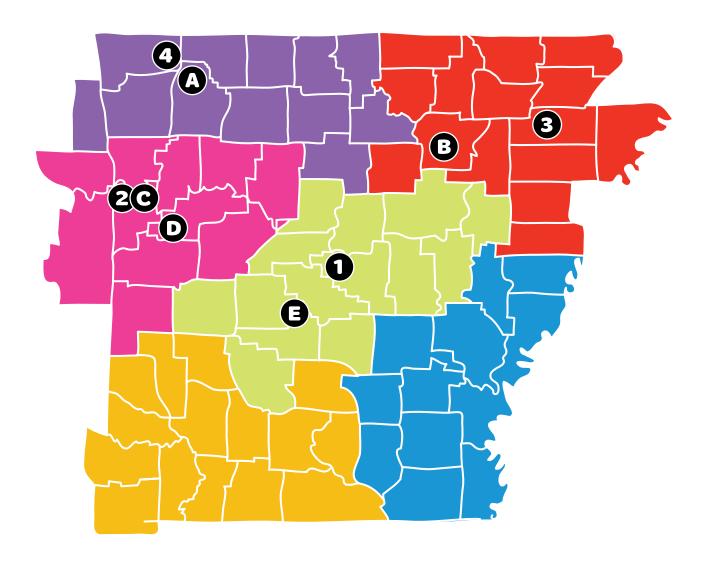
Need the badge you earned at that fun workshop you just attended? New to Girl Scouts and need a uniform? You can shop in person at our Little Rock location, shop online, and catch us at Pop-Up Shops and other retail shopping events for all your essential and just-for-fun needs.

Little Rock location open every Tuesday and Thursday. Little Rock and Rogers location open every second Saturday of the month from 10-2pm!

Find more details at <u>www.girlscoutsdiamonds.org/shop</u> and follow us on Facebook for shop promotions and more.



Service Areas and Properties



- 1. Central Office | Little Rock
- 2. Midwest Office | Fort Smith
- 3. Northeast Office | Jonesboro
- 4. Northwest Office | Rogers
- Southeast Region Served by Central office
- **Southwest Region**Served by Midwest office

- A. Camp NOARK | Huntsville
- **B. Camp Crossed Arrows** | Floral *Currently not available*
- C. The STEAM Center | Fort Smith
- **D. Camp Cahinnio** | Booneville *Currently not available*
- E. Radford House | Hot Springs



Notes from the

Communications Team

We know how important volunteers are to the Girl Scout organization. You are key in bringing the best experiences to the girls you serve, and sharing the Girl Scout story to bring awareness to those outside our organization.

How You Can Help Us

SHARE YOUR PHOTOS AND STORIES

We rely on volunteers and caregivers to send us photos that document all the great things girls and volunteers are doing. Please keep those photos coming to online@girlscoutsdiamonds.org. We are always looking for Girl Scout stories!

SEND US PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL OR OTHER BRANDED ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

Before sharing flyers or buying shirts, please send your art to us for approval! This helps us keep your designs and the Girl Scout brand looking as good as possible.

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Keep up with what Girl Scouts in your community are doing by following us on Facebook and Instagram! Sharing our posts on your troop or service unit pages helps spread the word about events and activities to those who may not follow us, and sharing to your personal accounts helps others learn more about today's Girl Scouts.

SHARING YOUR STORIES WITH THE MEDIA

We're excited to have you tell the Girl Scout story and are here to help you along the way! Before reaching out or responding to local media, please touch base with the communications team to review your materials and ensure your content and branding is correct. We can also give you tips and tricks for pitching your story, interview etiquette, and more to give your story the impact it deserves.

How We Can Help You

EVENTS AND TRAINING CALENDAR

Found on our website, this easy-to-use resource helps you search for upcoming events (including girl and adult programming) by age level and type of activity.

THE DIAMONDS INSIDER EMAIL

Sent to all registered volunteers once a month and contains news such as deadline reminders, shop updates and volunteer resources.

THE DIAMONDS PROGRAM UPDATE EMAIL

Sent to all registered Girl Scout caregivers and volunteers, this email includes a highlight of upcoming events and other event-related news and opportunities.

REVIEW YOUR MATERIALS/CONSULT ABOUT PROMOTING GIRL SCOUTS

The communications team can review your flyers, press releases and t-shirts to ensure branding compliance. We can help you locate information on the website and consult with you on how to get the most from your social media posts. Additionally, we can talk to you about opportunities to promote your troop's community service and highest awards projects, your troop travel and other girl highlights. Email us at online@girlscoutsdiamonds.org.

IMPORTANT!
USE PROPER LOGOS!

All Girl Scout and Girl Scouts – Diamonds logos were updated in 2020, but we still see old ones being used often. Our new logos can be found on the website by searching for Brand Center or you can request by email online@girlscoutsdiamonds.org



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