

GIRL SCOUT SIGN



Dear Girl Scout Juliette,

Whether you have chosen to register as a Girl Scout individually while waiting for a troop placement, or because this flexible membership pathway fits your lifestyle best, we want to ensure that you have every opportunity to enjoy Girl Scout membership to its fullest. There are no limits to what you can do as a Girl Scout.

No matter what you are interested in: learning new games, arts and crafts, song and dance, or visiting new places, in Girl Scouting, you can do it all! Now that you are a registered Girl Scout Juliette, here's a terrific "how to guide" made especially for you to begin exploring all that Girl Scouts has to offer.

Girl Scouts strives to build girls of courage, confidence and character, who make the world a better place. The New Girl Scout Leadership Experience engages girls in discovering themselves, connecting with others, and taking action to make the world a better place.

The Girl Scout program can change the way girls see the world and their place in it. Through Girl Scouting, girls learn the importance of personal responsibility, the value of goal setting, the spirit of teamwork, and the thrill of accomplishment. The Girl Scout program is based on the Girl Scout Promise, the Girl Scout Law and the three Girl Scout Leadership Keys and their outcomes.

Over the next months you will hear from us periodically regarding the many activities you have to choose from, however, do not hesitate to call or e-mail the Girl Scout Juliette program specialist should you have any questions, concerns, or requests. We look forward to talking to you.

Yours,

Girl Scouts Heart of Central California (GSHCC)



The 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

The 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

The Girl Scout Promise and Law are said by every member of the organization. The Girl Scout sign is made with the right hand when saying the Girl Scout Promise.

WELCOME

GIRL SCOUT CADETTE • GRADES 6-8

THE NEW GIRL SCOUT LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

KEY

OUTCOME

DISCOVER

- Girls develop a strong sense of self.
- Girls develop positive values.
- Girls gain practical life skills.
- Girls seek challenges in the world.
- Girls develop critical thinking.

CONNECT

- Girls develop healthy relationships
- Girls promote cooperation and team building
- Girls resolve conflicts
- Girls advance diversity in a multicultural world.
- Girls feel connected to their communities, locally and globally.

TAKE ACTION

- Girls can identify community needs.
- Girls are resourceful problem solvers.
- Girls advocate for themselves and others, locally and globally
- Girls educate and inspire others to act.
- Girls feel empowered to make a difference in the world.



OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL GIRL SCOUTS

All Girl Scouts can choose to participate in as many different Girl Scout activities as they wish. This list will give you an idea of the opportunities available and where to get more information.

PROGRAM EVENTS

These events are offered by the GSHCC program department to further a girl's experience in making new friends, gaining abilities, and enjoying learning outside of school. Girl Scout Juliettes can register to attend these events as long as an adult is available to attend with them. Event descriptions and details can be found on our Web site: www.girlscoutshcc.org. New events are added regularly. Registration may be done online or you may print a registration form from our Web site which can be mailed or faxed. You may also request a hard copy of the registration form. Be sure to register before the billing date since many programs fill rapidly. Financial aid is available and forms can be found online or you may request a copy.

HORSE PROGRAMS

Girl Scouts HCC owns our own horses and provides program in different parts of the council for Girl Scout Brownies and above. Additional information about these programs and specific dates may be found on our Web site.

SPECIAL EVENTS

During the year there are additional opportunities for special registration events hosted by collaborating organizations such as Raging Waters, Sacramento Kings, Modesto Nuts, Stockton Ports, and many more places.

Details and registration forms for these added events can be found in the Program & Events section of our Web site under Special Events.

PRODUCT PROGRAMS

Information will be mailed to Girl Scout Juliettes in September for the fall product program, which takes place during the month of October. This includes the sale of nuts,

chocolates, and magazine subscriptions. The Girl Scout Cookie program information will be mailed to Girl Scout Juliettes in early December. The Girl Scout Cookie program takes place January through March.

CAMPS

The Resident Camp Brochure listing all the "sleep away" camp opportunities at our council's Resident Camp, Camp Menzies, will be mailed in January. All Girl Scouts register individually for camp making it a great place to make new Girl Scout friends. Girl Scouts that will be entering second grade, or above, can choose to attend 3-10 day sessions at our resident camp. Resident Camp registration opens February 1st.

The Day Camp information listing the day camp, twilight camp and Service Unit run resident camp opportunities for the council will be posted on our Web site in February and an informational email will be sent. Girl Scouts can attend a day camp near their home for several days to a week in length. Day Camp registration opens on March 1st.

COLOR GUARD

Girl Scout Brownies and above are invited to join the Girl Scouts Heart of Central California Color Guard. Girls participate in Color Guard on an individual bases as their schedule allows. The first step to joining the GSHCC Color Guard is attending the Program Event, "Color Guard Attention." The program description, dates and locations can be found in the Girl Scouts Heart of Central California online Events Calendar.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Sharing with others and giving back to the community is an important part of the Girl

Scout program. Girls that are interested in finding out about local community service opportunities should check the council Web site for ideas.

SERVICE UNIT EVENTS

The council is organized into smaller local communities called service units. Each service unit has a monthly leaders meeting to inform leaders and other adults working with Girl Scouts of what is happening and as a place to get support from others. Service units sometimes hold special volunteer run events for girls in their area. To find out about local leader's meetings or special events in your area, mark the "Let Me Know" box on the enclosed reply card.

GIRL SCOUT WEB SITE JUST FOR GIRLS

Visit www.studio2B.org is a fun and exciting Web site for girls 11-17. Brought to you by Girl Scouts of the USA, the site is a safe place for girls to explore, take quizzes, ask questions, share their favorite stories, or send e-cards to friends and family. Updated regularly and designed with girls' interests in mind this site gives girls a chance to express themselves and explore new ideas in a secure environment.

JUST FOR GIRL SCOUT CADETTES

Girl Scout Cadettes can earn three different Journeys which are just for Girl Scout Cadettes. They can also earn a wide variety of Interest Projects and other awards available for Girl Scout Cadettes through Girl Scout Ambassadors. They may become Program Aides; earn the Girl Scout Silver Award and the Bridge to Seniors Award. Below is information on the resources available to guide advisors and girls through the Girl Scout Cadette program. For a full listing of all the awards Girl Scout Cadettes can earn visit: http://www.girlscouts.org/program/gc_central/insignia/list/11_17.asp

GIRL SCOUT 11-17 BASICS

This resource book helps you plan, connect and do. This "core" resource comes in a binder with plenty of room for additional resources and answers the questions, what activities can I do and how can I find out more?

INTEREST PROJECTS FOR GIRLS 11-17

This book presents 78 Interest Projects available for Girl Scout Cadettes, Girl Scout Seniors and Girl Scout Ambassadors to earn and the traditional requirements for earning an Interest Project. 10 additional Interest Projects and an alternative LEARN DO SHARE model for earning Interest Projects can be found on the GSUSA Web site for teens www.studio2B.org.

MEdia

In the newest Journey (premiering December, 2010) Girl Scout Cadettes look for the ME in media and learn how they can shape media—for themselves, their community and the world.

AMAZE: THE TWISTS AND TURNS OF GETTING ALONG

Life is a maze of relationships and this journey has Girl Scout Cadettes maneuvering through all its twists and turns to find true friendships, plenty of confidence, and maybe even peace. **Girl Scout Cadettes can earn three new awards over this journey.**

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PROGRAM AIDE AWARDS

A program aide is a girl 12-18, who has completed Program Aide Training who helps assist with Girl Scout activities and events. You can use your volunteer time toward program aide patch or community service hours. Program Aides can assist with program events and day camps. Visit the Program Aide section of the Girl Scouts Heart of Central California

Web site for a summary of program aide trainings, opportunities and events.

GIRL SCOUT CADETTE LIA (LEADERSHIP IN ACTION) AWARD

Girl Scout Cadettes can earn a LiA by mentoring Girl Scout Brownies through a Girl Scout Brownie Journey. There is a LiA for each journey series. Information on earning the LiA awards can be found in the Girl Scout Brownie Journey books and online at http://www.girlscouts.org/program/gc_central/insignia

GIRL SCOUT SILVER AWARD

The Girl Scout Silver Award is the highest achievement for girls in grades 6-8. To receive this award, you must meet requirements that help you prepare for, and complete, a special project. After the requirements are completed a project is planned and executed that fulfills a need within you community, creates change, and encompasses organizational, leadership and networking skills. This award recognizes a girl's accomplishments as she works to improve her life and the lives of others and becomes the best she can be.

Girl can learn more about the Girl Scout Silver and Girl Scout Gold award by attending Take Action Award training through the Older Girl Training Calendar. We are in the second year of the two year transition between the old and new award guidelines. If you are already working on your Girl Scout Silver under the previous guidelines you must complete all prerequisites by September 30, 2011. The most up to date project requirements can be found on the girl side of the council's Web site through the awards button on the left of the Cadette page.

GIRL SCOUTS HEART OF CENTRAL CALIFORNIA ROSE AWARD

Developed by girls, the Rose Award grew out of a desire for a well-rounded award, and can be earned by any Heart

of Central California Girl Scout, in grades 10-12. A notice of intent must be sent into the program department at the Program Center, Sacramento, 3 months prior to finishing the award. This award is presented annually at the Recognition of Excellence Ceremony. You can download the requirements from www.girlscoutshcc.org or contact the Program Center in Sacramento.

RELIGIOUS AWARDS

Various religious groups, to encourage girls to grow stronger in their faith, have created religious awards. There are 26 different religious awards. Girl Scouts of the USA has approved these programs; however, each religious organization develops and administers its own program. More information can be found at www.praypub.org.

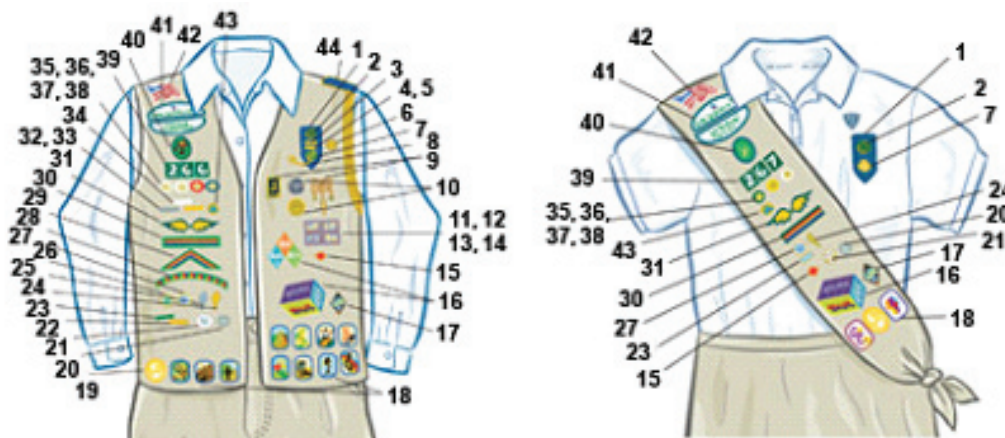
destinations

Time to Travel and explore, *destinations* fall into five categories: international, outdoors, science, people, and getaways. Facilitated by Girl Scouts of the USA and hosted by individual Girl Scout councils, GSUSA, and contracted organizations. Visit www.studio2b.org/escape/destinations/. You can also attend Travel Opportunities for Girl Scouts listed in the Girl Scouts Heart of Central California Event Calendar.



UNIFORMS

All Girl Scout members wear the membership pin when participating in Girl Scout activities. Girl Scout Cadettes wear the Girl Scout membership pin, showing they belong to Girl Scouts of the USA. This pin is worn on the left side of the Girl Scout Cadette sash or vest, or on other clothing, centered above the heart or it can be placed on an insignia tab and worn in the same location. There are two styles of membership pin to choose from. Girl Scout Cadette may also wear the World Trefoil Pin, signifying their membership in a worldwide movement. Girl Scout Cadettes can purchase uniforms with either a sash or vest to display Girl Scout Interest Projects, charms and other insignia. All Girl Scout members are entitled to wear the Girl Scout uniform; however, wearing the uniform is not required unless officially participating in ceremonies or officially representing the Girl Scout movement. Girl Scout Cadettes can wear the Girl Scout Cadette sash or vest over their clothes or purchase a variety of official Girl Scout Cadette uniform components. Girl Scout Interest Projects, patches, awards, and other insignia that are earned for the accomplishment of skill-building activities or any set requirements should be presented, worn, and/or displayed only after Girl Scouts have completed the requirements outlined in the appropriate program materials.



Girl Scout Juliettes wear the Juliettes Emblem. The Juliettes Emblem is worn on the sash or vest where troop numbers ordinarily would be. Information on how to wear official insignia can be found in the Girl Scout Catalog or at www.girlscouts.org/program/gc_central/insignia/.

WHERE TO GET GIRL SCOUT RESOURCES AND GIRL SCOUT GEAR

The resource books, uniform pieces and great Girl Scout gear can be purchased online at www.girlscoutshcc.org or at one of our Girl Scout Shops:

GIRL SCOUT SHOP

6601 Elvas Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95819
Hours: Monday - Saturday: 10AM - 6PM
Phone: (800) 578-0276 or (916) 452-9184
Fax: (916) 452-9185
E-mail: girlscoutshop@girlscoutshcc.org

MODESTO OFFICE AND ON-SITE SHOP

3621 Forest Glenn Drive
Modesto, CA 95355
Hours Monday - Friday: 10am - 5:30pm
First and Second Saturdays: 10am - 1pm
Phone: (209) 522-9001 or (800) 834-9899
Fax: (209) 522-9036

RECEIVING EARNED GIRL SCOUT AWARDS

The council provides earned awards to Juliettes just as troop leaders would provide awards to girls in their troop. In order to receive your earned awards send an e-mail to juliettes@girlscoutshcc.org or letter to Girl Scouts Heart of Central California-Program Center 6601 Elvas Avenue Sacramento, CA 95819 Attn: Juliette Program Specialist

Including:

- Your full name
- Your Girl Scout Grade Level
- The name of the award you earned
- A write up of what requirements, specific activities you did to complete the award.

All awards will be sent through the mail. We do not provide membership stars, participation or fun patches, uniform parts or Girl Scout books; you can apply for financial aid if purchasing them is a financial hardship for you. You can purchase these items at one of our Girl Scout Shops or online at <http://www.girlscoutshcc.org>.

A STAFF MEMBER, JUST FOR YOU

If you have questions, need help or have completed the requirements for an award, please contact the Girl Scout Juliette Program Specialist at:
916.452.9181 • 800.322.4475 • juliettes@girlscoutshcc.org.

To learn more about the Girl Scout program and upcoming events, visit our Web site at www.girlscoutshcc.org