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# Junior

Grades 4 - 5







## Welcome!

We are so excited your Girl Scout will bridge to a new program level this year. As a member of Girl Scouts Heart of Central California, there are many ways girls can take part in the Girl Scout Leadership Experience, from participating in local events and activities to attending resident camp. Each time your Girl Scout bridges to the next level, new awards and experiences open up to her. Below are some key resources for you, as well as additional information for your Girl Scout, so she can learn more about opportunities in her new program level.

### What is Bridging?

When girls graduate from one program level to another, it is referred to as "bridging." It's a great time to celebrate accomplishments and look forward to new opportunities. Girls can earn a Bridging Award each time they move to a new level by sharing what they have learned with younger Girl Scouts and connecting with older Girl Scouts to learn more about their new program level. Girls can participate in troop, service unit, and council bridging events.

### Renewal Information

We've kicked off our Early Renewal time! Your Girl Scout troop can get a head start on another great year by renewing your membership for the 2025-2026 Girl Scout year. Girls and adults can earn special incentives through Early Renewal registration. Why wait?

### Why Renew Early?

- Secure her spot! By renewing now, parents and caregivers ensure their girl(s) can return to the same troop in the fall. Plus, it's one less item on your very full to-do list during the back-to-school time this fall.
- It's much easier to do now! Our upgraded membership registration system makes it quick and easy to renew.
- Plan troop experiences with girls earlier! Renew now and start thinking about the adventures to come. We're planning lots of training and event opportunities for our 2025-2026 membership year, and we know you're going to love what we are planning!
- Cookie proceeds can cover the cost. Using the proceeds from the Girl Scout Cookie Program to renew the girls in your troop gives them the satisfaction of being self-sufficient. They worked hard to earn that money, and this is an immediate result.
- You can jump right into the Fall Product Program! Start your year off right by earning funds for girls to use toward even more fun.
- Did we mention more awesome incentives for girls and troops this Early Renewal season? Incentives and drawing opportunities are cumulative, so the earlier you renew, the more opportunity you get.

Ready to sign up for another amazing year with Girl Scouts and to receive some awesome perks? Renew your Girl Scout membership today so we can be stronger together!

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Confidence.

Character.

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## Girl Scout Resources



Rallyhood is the networking platform for Girl Scout members, volunteers, and council staff throughout GSHCC's 18 counties to connect, collaborate, and get things done. We recommend families join the "634 GSHCC Family Connection" rally and their local service unit rally to learn more about upcoming events, share photos, and chat with other Girl Scout families, volunteers, and staff members. Troops may also choose to set up a rally to connect, share meeting information, and send event reminders. The Rallyhood platform combines the functionality of tools like Eventbrite, SignUp Genius, Shutterfly, Facebook, Flickr, Google Calendar, Google Forms, and Survey Monkey all in one place. It seamlessly integrates so many of the functions troops need, including communication, calendars, file sharing, and surveys. Service units and troops can customize their sites with their own photos and information, creating their own space for volunteers and parents to communicate. To join, create an account on rallyhood.com. Then search "GSHCC" to join our council rallies.

## Financial Assistance

GSHCC wants every girl who wants to be a Girl Scout to have the opportunity to join us. Financial Assistance is available for membership dues, uniforms, books, and to participate in events and camp programs. Families asking for financial assistance must complete the online form appropriate to their request.

## Do you have questions? Please reach out!

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## Join in the Girl Scout Junior Fun!

Are you ready to create your adventures? Why do you want to be a Girl Scout? What new things do you want to try and learn? Where are the places you want to visit and explore? Who are the great role models you want to learn from? How are you going to make it happen?

**Discover** what you like to do and what you're especially good at doing.

**Connect** with other Girl Scouts and people in your communities.

**Take Action** to create solutions and change to make the world a better place.



## Earn Girl Scout Badges and Journeys

Do you like STEM, Outdoors, helping your community or running a business? We have a Badge for that. There are so many choices! Create an adventure by exploring a leadership Journey where you can do a project that makes a difference in your community.



Plan and go on an adventure **Outdoors** like trail blazing, camping, fishing, rock climbing, geocaching, canoeing, horseback riding and so much more!



Learn **Girl Scout Traditions**. Sing Camp Songs, make and share SWAPs, eat S'mores by a campfire, learn how to make a square knot or sew a sit-upon. There are so many fun traditions to try!



Become a cookie entrepreneur! Run your own business by selling delicious **Girl Scout Nuts and Candies**, and **Girl Scout Cookies**. Did you know the first Girl Scout cookie was sold in 1917? Be a part of the largest Girl-Led Business in the world!

## Earn Girl Scout Awards



Earn the **Girl Scout Bronze Award** The highest honor for a Girl Scout **Junior**.



Try the Girl Scout Junior Take Charge Challenge to build your leadership skills and learn about some of the special awards that only Juniors can earn.



Earn your **Junior Aide Award** when you teach and lead younger Girl Scouts in what you know, share in their experiences, and create great memories!

# GIRL SCOUT JUNIORS TAKE CHARGE CHALLENGE



**Easy Steps for Leading a Badge ~ 1 2 3 4 5...  
all it takes is a little drive.**

## **DISCOVER:**

Most all of the Girl Scout Program Badges have 5 steps. Each step of the badge provides you with three example activity options. Or, you may design each step for your specific activity in mind, staying within the spirit and purpose of that badge skill.

## **CHALLENGE:**

*Step 1~ Pick a Badge! Work with your Leader, sister girl scouts, parent or family member to explore our Girl Scout Shop, GSHCC Website, GSUSA Website, your Volunteer Tool Kit, and more! Find a Badge and brainstorm its 5 Steps. EXTRA Challenge~ Plan Step 1!*

**What's a Patrol? I'm a Leader, you're a Leader,  
we all take turns to be the Leader.**

## **CONNECT:**

Patrols are teams based on interests and may be on-going or short-term, such as a Badge, the History or Song Patrol, like the patrols that traveled to Juliette's birthplace in Savannah, Our Chalet and Our Cabana. Patrols are a favorite for large troops. Each Patrol elects a Patrol Leader who facilitates the group's activities and presents a report to the Troop Leaders or families. Share the Load! You can't do it alone, so it's time to recruit a team and delegate duties.

## **CHALLENGE:**

*Who else in your Girl Scout Troop or community has similar interests? Connect with others to build a Patrol for the badge(s) you and your sister girl scouts like most. Work with your Patrol to choose its leader and report to your Troop Leader what the Patrol is planning.*

# GIRL SCOUT JUNIORS TAKE CHARGE CHALLENGE



**Do you want to lead activities and be a role model for younger girls? Be a leader!**

Earn the Junior Aide Award when you work with troop adults to plan younger girl activities, and lead Daisy or Brownie level Girl Scouts in fun, hands-on activities designed by you.

## **CHALLENGE:**

*Connect with an Adult Volunteer or Troop Leader(s) of a Daisy or Brownie level troop to start your plan and complete Step One of the Junior Aide Award.*

## **Community Service vs. Take Action ~ Take it to the **Bronze** level!**

The Girl Scouts are always known to take action and make a difference in their community in their own way. When girls focus on an issue they care about, learn the facts, and take action to make a difference, they gain the confidence and skills that will catapult them to lifelong success. Do something to make the world a better place, take appropriate risks, and try things even if they might fail and learn from mistakes.

## **CHALLENGE:**

*Visit the GSHCC Website at [www.girlscoutshcc.org](http://www.girlscoutshcc.org) and find the Girl Scout Bronze Award Steps. Or, check out the Girl Scout Handbook and review the Bronze Award planning guide. Explore Steps 1 and 2 (Not necessarily in that order.)*



# Junior Badges, Awards and Pins<sup>†</sup>

All badges on this page \$3.50 each

## STEM

### Automotive Engineering



Automotive  
Design  
61118



Automotive  
Engineering  
61119



Automotive  
Manufacturing  
61120



Cybersecurity  
Basics  
61629



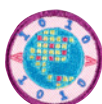
Cybersecurity  
Safeguards  
61630



Cybersecurity  
Investigator  
61631

### Cybersecurity

### Coding For Good



Coding  
Basics  
61658



Digital Game  
Design  
61659



App  
Development\*\*  
61660



Programming  
Robots  
61240



Designing  
Robots  
61241



Showcasing  
Robots  
61242

### Robotics

### Math In Nature



Shapes in  
Nature  
61154



Numbers  
in Nature  
61155



Design with  
Nature  
61156



Animal  
Habitats  
61322



Balloon Car  
Design  
Challenge  
61634



Crane  
Design  
Challenge  
61633



Detective  
61316



Digital  
Leadership\*  
61157



Digital  
Photographer  
61319



Entertainment  
Technology  
61321



Paddle Boat  
Design  
Challenge  
61632



Space  
Science  
Investigator\*  
61651



STEM Career  
Exploration  
61122

## Outdoors



Camper  
61312



Eco  
Camper  
61618



Flowers  
61311



Geocacher  
61324



Horseback  
Riding\*  
61329



Junior Snow  
or Climbing  
Adventure  
61687



Junior Trail  
Adventure\*  
61681



Outdoor  
Art  
Explorer\*\*  
61330

## Life Skills



Art and  
Design  
61824



Craft and  
Tinker  
61825



Create and  
Innovate  
61826



Democracy  
for Juniors  
61126



Gardener  
61314



Independence\*\*  
61313



Inside  
Government\*\*  
61307



Junior  
First Aid  
61309



Junior  
Girl Scout  
Way  
61305



Musician  
61317



Playing  
the Past  
61325



Practice  
with  
Purpose\*  
61310



Scribe  
61320



Simple  
Meals\*  
61308



Social  
Butterfly  
61323



Staying  
Fit  
61318

Troop Year Plans [Click Here](#) to learn more.

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## Entrepreneurship

### Entrepreneurship Badges \$3.50 each



Budget  
Maker  
61182



Business  
Jumpstart\*\*  
61132



Cookie  
Collaborator\*\*  
61153



My Cookie  
Team\*  
61152



My Money  
Plan  
61183

## Journey Awards

### Journey Awards \$8.00 each

It's Your World — Change It!



Agent of Change Set  
Imported  
69300

It's Your Planet — Love It!



GET MOVING! Set  
Imported  
69301

It's Your Story — Tell It!



aMUSE Set  
Imported  
69302

### Journey Awards \$3.50 each

#### Engineering



Think Like  
an Engineer  
69310



Take  
Action  
69313

#### Computer Science



Think Like a  
Programmer  
69311



Take  
Action  
69313

#### Outdoor STEM



Think Like a  
Citizen  
Scientist  
69312



Take  
Action  
69313

#### Outdoor



Camper  
61312



Eco  
Camper  
61618



Take  
Action  
69313

## Additional Awards



My Promise, My Faith Pin  
Year 1  
61327  
**\$5.00**



Year 2  
61328  
**\$5.00**



Safety  
Award Pin  
61723  
**\$5.00**



Junior Journey  
Summit  
Award Pin  
69309  
**\$5.00**



Cookie Entrepreneur  
Family Pin  
Year 1\*  
09118  
**\$3.50**



Year 2\*\*  
09119  
**\$3.50**



Bronze Award  
Pin  
09901  
**\$9.00**



Bronze Award  
Emblem  
09906  
**\$3.50**



World Thinking Day  
2024 Award\*  
61830  
**\$3.50**



Global Action Award  
Year 1  
61158  
**\$3.50**



Year 2  
61159  
**\$3.50**

<sup>†</sup> Earned Award

\* Troop Plan Year 1 \*\*Troop Plan Year 2

All badges and awards on these two pages are Iron-On and Made in USA unless otherwise noted. All pins are Imported



# Girl Scout Junior Vest



Place your first Journey awards at the bottom of your vest. As you earn additional Journey awards, work your way up.

If your awards and badges don't fit on the front of your vest or sash, you can wear them on the back.

# Girl Scout Junior Sash



Place your  
Journey awards  
above your  
badges.

# Bridging Kits are great for Girl Scouts flying up to the next level!



Each kit comes in a level specific presentation bag with cover sheet for girls name, along with a special pencil and bridging fun patch, along with a Bridging Certificate, Membership Star, Disc for Membership Star, and Bridging Arc. Kits for Junior and Cadette Girl Scouts include Brownie Wings. Select your level to show the world she's had another great year of Girl Scouting!



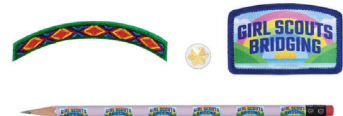
Bridge to Brownie Kit  
\$8.00



Bridge To Junior Kit  
\$9.75



Bridge to Cadette Kit  
\$9.75



Bridge to Senior or Ambassador Kit  
\$8.00

You may also want to add a Fun patch or a Journey book to add to the celebration!



Bridging Iron-On Patch  
\$1.75



Journey Books  
\$7.00



Virtual Bridging Sew-On Patch  
\$1.50



Transaction #:



**Submit your order to:**  
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 Mail: Attn Shop  
 6601 Elvas Avenue  
 Sacramento, CA 95819

**For pick-up or Service Unit order  
please submit 2-4 days in advance.**

Name:					
Address:		City:	State:	Zip:	
Phone #:		Troop #:	Email:		
Item #	Item Description	Size/Color	Quantity	Price	Total Price
<input type="checkbox"/> Mail [shipping: \$50&under = \$5.00 \$50.01 - \$100.00 = \$8.00 \$100.01&up = \$10.00]			Subtotal		
<input type="checkbox"/> Pick-up      Sacramento [Date:      ]      Modesto [Date:      ]			Tax (8.75%)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Route to Service Unit [SU#:      ]			Shipping		
<b>Payment Info:</b> Check <input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card <input type="checkbox"/> V <input type="checkbox"/> MC <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> Chipped <input type="checkbox"/>			Gift Card/ Troop Treasure		
Card #:		Exp Date:	CVC #:	Council Credit	
Gift/Troop Treasure Card #:			<b>Total</b>		

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