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Senior

Grades 9 - 10





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 Senior Fun!

Girl Scout Seniors are ready to take the world by storm—and at Girl Scouts, there are millions of ways to do it!

Make the best of your years as a Girl Scout.

Go on an adventure and **TRAVEL** amazing places like Costa Rica, Japan, India, and more!

Be a positive **ROLE MODEL**, mentor younger girls, develop strong friendships, and fight bullying.

Join with other girls to tackle an important international issue and **EARN** a Global Action award.

EXPLORE exciting careers in a variety of fields—from science to the arts, to education to government.

And, of course, Seniors can earn their **GOLD AWARD**, which adds that “little something extra” to college and scholarship applications!

Mentoring Awards

You can gain leadership experience by sharing skills, testing knowledge, and trying out new roles by mentoring younger girls. For the girls being mentored, it means a chance to be with and learn from teens—some of their favorite people. You can find complete descriptions and requirements for these awards in your Girl's Guide to Girl Scouting.

CIT

Counselor-in-Training I (CIT)

Love Camp? Help create those same memories for a new generation of Girl Scouts by earning your Counselor-in-Training (CIT) award at Resident Camp or Day Camp.

VIT

Volunteer-in-Training (VIT)

By earning this award, you'll be able to lead activities in any Girl Scout setting except for at camp. If you've completed ninth grade, you're eligible to earn this award. A VIT project needs to span a three-to-six month period.

Leadership Awards

Earning these awards allows you to learn about yourself and your style and build upon your leadership skills.



Senior Torch Pin

The Torch Pin recognizes girls who act as leaders in their communities. To earn the award, complete one journey at your current grade level and serve one full term in a leadership role at your school, church, library, town council, or in any other community leadership role.



Community Service Bars

The Community Service Bars recognize girls who make a difference within their community, both within and outside of Girl Scouts. You can earn the Community Service bar by providing 20 hours of service to a single organization or earn the Community Service to Girl Scouting bar by providing 20 hours of service to Girl Scouts.



Trainings Open to Older Girls

Ambassadors have the opportunity to participate in trainings to build skills and assist with the earning of mentoring and leadership awards. Trainings are offered virtually and in-person when possible. Most classes are offered at least once a month, we can also set up trainings by request.

Volunteer-in-Training (VIT)

Required to earn the VIT Award prior to developing your VIT project.

First Aid & CPR

Girls who are 12 and older can participate in our certification courses, girls 16 and older can also participate in Wilderness First Aid.

Prepare 2B Ready

This course focuses on risk management and event planning for girls interested in planning their own events.

Take Action Gold Award

This course reviews the steps to earn the Girl Scout Gold Award.



GSHCC Rose Award

This award was created by Girl Scout Seniors in our council with the intent to recognize and promote leadership and learning in several different areas including, but not limited to: values and ethics, service to others, career exploration and independent living skills.



10 Year Pin

Girls who have been a member of Girl Scouts for ten years are eligible to receive their 10 year pin from GSHCC.



Girl Scout Gold Award

The Gold Award is the highest award a Girl Scout can earn. Each girl plans and carries out her own Take Action project focused on an issue that they care about. Girls who earn their Gold Award can apply for council scholarship opportunities.



Join Girl Scouts from across the Movement for weekly episodes that focus on issues girls care about most as well as interviews with incredible Girl Scouts and special guests. Join in on the conversations every week on Thursdays at 7 :00pm ET on Girl Scouts' IGTV! At G-Team TV you will find a show packed with ideas, conversations, and influencers that matter to middle and high school girls like you. Find past episodes and discussion guides to share with your troop or friends on the GSUSA YouTube playlist or at [girlscouts.org](https://www.girlscouts.org) under the Girl Scouts at Home tab.

Local Opportunities

You will find that as a Senior there are more opportunities for you to choose to participate as an individual or with a troop. Check out these sections on the website to start with:

Virtual

Check out all the upcoming virtual opportunities for the upcoming week and special virtual events and resources.

Activities List

Review upcoming events, we try to post events about three months in advance but new events are added all the time so we recommend checking regularly to see what new events may have been added to the list.

Program Partners

Additional info about badge and journey work offered by community partners, that troops schedule independently.

Approved Outfitters

Looking for adventure, but stuck on finding approved vendors? Check our approved outfitters list of organizations already approved by GSHCC for Girl Scouts.

Expediciones

Travel Camps to sites around Northern California.

Camp Menzies

Resident Camp in Calaveras County programs around a variety of themes and badges.

Day Camps

Opportunities to Program Aide and/or earn other higher awards.

Girl Advisory Board

Group of Seniors and Ambassadors that provide a girl voice and perspective to the GSHCC staff and board.



National Opportunities

forgirls.girlscouts.org

Girl Scouts at Home

Check out on-demand videos as well as national virtual event opportunities you can participate in.

Activities List

Girl Scout Destinations are the ultimate adventure for individual girls ages 11 and older! With different trips every year, there's something amazing for everyone. Pack your bags full of life-changing experiences and make friends from all over the country as you travel with Girl Scouts from different states.

Program Partners

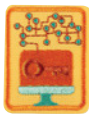
Participate in research studies and surveys. Serve on National Committees.

Senior Badges, Awards and Pins†

All badges on this page \$3.50 each

STEM

Cybersecurity



Cybersecurity Basics
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Safeguards Investigator
61674



Investigator
61675

Coding For Good



Coding Basics
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61664

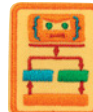


Digital Game App Design
61665 61666



Development
61666

Robotics



Programming Robots
61638



Designing Robots
61639



Showcasing Robots
61640



Digital Leadership
61169



Science of Style
61521



Space Science Expert
61692



STEM Career Exploration
61189



Truth Seeker
61516



Voice for Animals
61522



Website Designer
61519

Outdoors



Adventure Camper
61620 61647 61533 Adventure
61689



Adventure Explorer
61512



Eco Outdoor Art
61512



Paddling Expert
61532



Senior Snow or Climbing
61532



Senior Trail Adventure
61532



Sky Climbing
61511



Traveler
61524



Traveler
61524

Life Skills



Behind the Ballot
61507



Business Etiquette
61523



Car Care
61513



Collage Artist
61506



Cross Training for Seniors
61510 61128 61525



Democracy Game
61510 61128 61525



Locavore
61508



Novelist
61520



Room Makeover
61514



Senior First Aid
61509



Senior Girl Scout Way
61505



Textile Artist
61515



Troupe Performer
61517



Women's Health
61518

Senior Badges, Awards and Pins†

Entrepreneurship

Entrepreneurship Badges \$3.50 each



Business
Startup**
61134



Cookie
Boss*
61168



My Cookie
Network**
61167



My Financial
Power
61188



Savvy Saver
61187

Journey Awards

It's Your World — Change It!



GIRLtopia Patch
Imported
69501
\$3.50



GIRLtopia Pin
Imported
69500
\$10.00

It's Your Planet — Love It!



Sow What? Patch
Imported
69503
\$3.50



Sow What? Pin
Imported
69502
\$10.00

It's Your Story — Tell It!



Mission: Sisterhood!
Patch
Imported
69505
\$3.50



Mission: Sisterhood!
Pin
Imported
69504
\$10.00

Journey Awards \$3.50 each

Engineering



Think Like
an Engineer
69512



Take Action
69510



Think Like a
Programmer
69511



Take Action
69510



Think Like a
Citizen
Scientist*
69513



Take Action*
69510



Adventurer*Senior
61512First Aid
61509



Adventure Take Action
Camper 69510
61620



Additional Awards



My Promise, My Faith Pin
Year 1Year 2
61530 61531
\$5.00 \$5.00



Safety
Award Pin
61725
\$5.00



Senior Journey
Summit
Award Pin
69509
\$5.00



Gold/Silver Cookie Entrepreneur Family Pin
Award0912009149 61731
61707 \$3.50 \$3.50 \$5.50 \$5.50



Service to
Girl Scouting Bar
61716
\$4.50



Community
Service Bar
61702
\$4.50

CIT

VIT



Girl Scout
Trailblazer Pin
09157
\$10.50



Girl Scout
Mariner Pin
09852
\$10.50



Gold-Filled Gold Award Pin
Made in USA
09902 \$55.00
Gold-Plated Gold Award Pin
09926 \$20.00



Gold Award
Emblem
09907
\$3.50



World Thinking Day
2024 Award*
61830
\$3.50



Global Action Award
Year 1 Year 2**
61170 61171
\$3.50 \$3.50

Made in USA

† 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 and emblem are Imported unless otherwise noted

Girl Scout Senior Vest



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 Senior Sash



Place your
Journey awards
above your
badges.

Girl Scout Senior Cargo Vest



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 Senior Pocket 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!



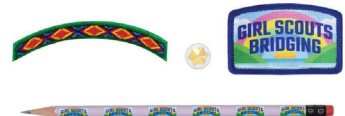
Bridge to Brownie Kit
\$8.00



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 #:



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Name:					
Address:		City:	State:	Zip:	
Phone #:		Troop #:	Email:		
Item #	Item Description	Size/Color	Quantity	Price	Total Price
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<input type="checkbox"/> Pick-up Sacramento [Date:] Modesto [Date:]			Tax (8.75%)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Route to Service Unit [SU#:]			Shipping		
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Card #:		Exp Date:	CVC #:	Council Credit	
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Thank you for your order!

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