

Family Connections: Girl Scout Updates for Parents & Caregivers!



Tune in Saturday, October 9, for a FREE virtual celebration to discover how you and your friends can make the world a better place for girls everywhere. You'll meet some of the 2021 Gold Award Girl Scouts and see how you (yes, YOU) have what it takes to become a Bronze, Silver, or Gold Award Girl Scout. If you've already earned Gold, you can look forward to a special session honoring all you've achieved. It's a day of inspo, sisterhood, and global action. You won't want to miss it.

This FREE event—created for girls in 4th grade and up and their supporting adults—starts at 2pm ET, but for even more good times, join us at 1:30 for a special pre-show (and to make sure you're all set to go online before we get started!)

[Register today!](#)

Kudos to our event sponsor, [The LEGO Group](#), for making this Girl Scouts Change the World celebration possible. And to our scholarship funders, [Kappa Delta Foundation](#) and [Arconic Foundation](#), for contributing to this year's inaugural Girl Scouts of the USA Gold Award Scholarship for Gold Award Girl Scouts whose projects exemplify the core components of the Gold Award.



Girl Fest Olympics!

October 23



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Plan to attend [Girl Fest Olympics](#) on October 23, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Chesapeake City Park. A great way to start your Girl Scout year!

This high-energy, family-friendly event will have Olympic-themed activities that include archery, volleyball, soccer, artistic gymnastics, javelin throw, discus throw and more. There will be community partners hosting exhibits and activities as well such as Nauticus and The Mariners' Museum. Plus, you'll be able to make crafts and enjoy treats from food truck vendors that will include Mediterranean fare.

Cost for this unique Girl Scout experience is \$10 per girl - patch included, and \$5 per adult.

Girls must be accompanied by an adult, no drop offs. This is a family-friendly event, tagalongs welcome.

When you [register](#), you will be entered into a drawing for a free Kindle. Drawing takes place on October 10 and winner will be announced on GSCCC's Facebook.



Fall Product Program

Time to connect family and friends to Girl Scout fall products—candy, nuts, and magazines. Don't miss out on your girl's chance to participate and earn a personalized patch with her name and avatar on it! Visit our Fall Product Program page on gsc.org and find details on how to get started. Then, help your girl create an avatar that looks just like her. Then, send emails through the site and share on social media to friends and family inviting them to support their favorite Girl Scout by shopping online.

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Teach Your Kids It's OK to Not Be OK

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So many of us were raised with these well-meaning sentiments. Often framed as messages of inspiration and resilience, they overlook the fact that sometimes the strongest and most courageous thing you can do in certain situations is step and away and take care of yourself. It's OK not to be OK. [Read more here.](#)



Girl Scout Better Together Challenge with My Little Pony

You already know the power of friendship. It's that special magic that lifts you up. Girl Scouts celebrate differences and welcome all to be part of the magic created through kindness and friendship. With the ponies by your side, take the [Girl Scout Better Together Challenge with My Little Pony](#) with fun, interactive activities and unlock a limited-edition Girl Scout My Little Pony Friendship Power fun patch!



Discovery Ahead: 28 New Badges to Spark Your Imagination

Is your girl ready for adventures and new discoveries? Now Girl Scouts have 28 new badges to earn as they explore the world. For 2021, girls can earn new badges in the categories of Entrepreneurship, Math in Nature, and Digital Leadership. [Try them all!](#)

Awesome Girls: Tackling Global Public Health Challenges

Thursday, October 21, 2021, 7–8 pm ET
For girls ages 10–19

Learn what experts
and scientists are
doing to address
and prevent global
public health crises.



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Join Girl Scouts of the USA and Johnson & Johnson for Awesome Girls: Tackling Global Public Health Challenges, on October 21 from 7–8 p.m. ET. During this virtual event, Girl Scouts, Girl Guides, and girls from around the world will explore global public health challenges with a panel of Johnson & Johnson experts and girls who have earned their Highest Awards. Panelists will present and answer questions about their work around pressing issues such as COVID-19 and mental health. [Learn more and register.](#)



Cyber Awareness Challenge: October 28 Virtual Event

Save the date for October 28 from 8:00–9:00 p.m. ET for a virtual event for all to close out the Girl Scouts of the USA 2021 [Cyber Awareness Challenge](#) in collaboration with DHS. Whether or not they have completed the Challenge, Girl Scouts in grades 6–12 are invited to hear from Secretary of Homeland Security

Alejandro Mayorkas, Cybersecurity Infrastructure Security Administration Director Jen Easterly, and a panel of women discussing their journeys to becoming cybersecurity professionals. Registration info coming soon!



Tuition Rewards - SAGE Scholars

Girl Scouts of Colonial Coast is partnering with SAGE Scholars to bring GSCCC members the Tuition Rewards program. It is a unique program whereby Tuition Rewards Points earned can be redeemed for college scholarships, starting with freshman year, at over 430 participating SAGE Scholars private colleges and universities. [Learn more at gsccc.org](http://gsccc.org).



Girl Scouts at Home

There are many exciting activities and events girls may explore in the comfort of their home! [Check out Girl Scouts at Home.](#)

There's a Patch for That!

Families Engaged With Girl Scouts – There's a Patch for That!

Work alongside your girl and enjoy Girl Scouting together. Celebrate your family's commitment to Girl Scouts with a patch: [My Family Loves Girl Scouts of Colonial Coast](#). A girl must have at least one adult from her family be a helping hand within the troop or on her service unit's service team.



Famous Formers 2020-21

Congratulations to our 2020-21 Famous Formers who were honored at a celebration on Thursday, September 23. [Read the day's program and view the videos here.](#)



Community Service Activities

Trick or Trash: What do you do with all the candy wrappers from your Halloween stash? Don't throw it in the trash! Instead, save and bring to A Place for Girls. Girl Scouts of the Colonial Coast is partnering with COX on a national campaign: "Trick or Trash." The aim is to recycle candy wrappers after Halloween to divert that waste from the landfill. A wrapper collection box has been placed in the lobby at A Place for Girls and will be available throughout November, so you can drop off what you have saved during your visit to the shop or when you are in the area! *(Please, only candy wrappers for this recycle project.)* Consider having your school, church or business join the effort.

Aluminum Tabs: Start saving the aluminum tabs from the soda cans. Girl Scouts are collecting them to recycle for the benefit of patient emergency fund. Drop-off boxes will be at [Girl Fest Olympics](#), Cookie Kickoff, and Glass Blowing workshops (get dates for all of these events on our [website](#)).



The Cookie Classic is BACK in person and as just as SWEET as ever!

Cookie Classic Run is a must to add to your Girl Scout calendar. With timed 1 mile and 5K races, runners of all abilities can join us in supporting the Girl Scouts of the Colonial Coast while preparing for their 2022 race season. A family-friendly event that is sure to start your 2022 year off on the right path. And if that wasn't SWEET enough, the Cookie Classic Run is the ONLY race in Hampton Roads where you get Girl Scout cookies ON the course DURING the race! [Learn more and register here.](#)



Opportunities and Events

NEW! Want to hear about GSCCC's new **Astronomy Club**? Join us October 3 at 1 p.m. at A Place for Girls. All Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors are welcome. Email star@gscce.org if interested.

Three Amazing Events at the Z:

- [The Z Block Party](#)
Date: Fri Oct 08, 6:30 PM - 10:30 PM EST
Event Location: Zeiders American Dream Theater
Family Friendly Event
- [Earth to Kenzie: An Opera for Young Audiences](#)
Date: Thu Oct 14, 6:30 PM - 10:30 PM EST
Event Location: Zeiders American Dream Theater
Badge/Patch/Journey: Zeiders Patch
- [The Wild World of Wolves by Atumpan Dance Theater](#)
Date: Sat Oct 30, 6:30 PM - 10:30 PM EST
Event Location: Zeiders American Dream Theater
Zeiders Patch

[STEM Club for Daisies & Brownies/Robotics](#)

Date: Sat Oct 16, 10:00 AM - Sun Oct 17, 11:30 AM EST

Event Location: Camp Apasus

Meeting Dates: October 16, 10-11:30 am and October 17, 10-11:30 am

Badge/Patch/Journey: Robotics Badge 1-3

Registration Deadline: 10/1

[STEM Club for Juniors & Cadettes/Robotics](#)

Date: Sat Oct 16, 12:30 PM - Sun Oct 17, 2:00 PM EST

Event Location: Camp Apasus

Meeting Dates: October 16, 12:30-2 pm and October 17, 12:30-2 pm

Badge/Patch/Journey: Robotics Badge 1-3

Registration Deadline: 10/1

[We Are All Connected](#)

Date: Sun Oct 24, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM EST

A Place for Girls - For girls ages 11, 12 and 13

Badge/Patch/Journey: Art Badge

Registration Deadline: 10/11

[STEM Club for Seniors & Ambassadors/Robotics](#)

Date: Sun Oct 24, 12:30 PM - 3:00 PM EST

Event Location: A Place for Girls

Badge/Patch/Journey: Robotics Badge 1-3

Registration Deadline: 10/1

[STEM Club for Daisies & Brownies/Mechanical Engineering](#)

Date: Sat Nov 06, 10:00 AM - Sun Nov 07, 11:30 AM EST

Event Location: A Place for Girls

Meeting Dates: November 6, 10-11:30 am and November 7, 10-11:30 am

Badge/Patch/Journey: Mechanical Engineering Badges 1-3

Registration Deadline: 10/25

[STEM Club for Juniors & Cadettes/Mechanical Engineering](#)

Date: Sat Nov 06, 12:30 PM - Sun Nov 07, 2:00 PM EST

Event Location: A Place for Girls

Meeting Dates: November 6, 12:30-2 pm and November 7, 12:30-2 pm

Registration Deadline: 10/25

[Veteran's Day Parade](#)

Date: Thu Nov 11, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM EST

Event Location: Virginia Beach

Girls need an adult or troop leader with them; this is not a drop off event.

Registration Deadline: 11/4

[STEM Club for Seniors & Ambassadors/Mechanical Engineering](#)

Date: Sat Nov 13, 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM EST

Meeting Location: A Place for Girls

Badge/Patch/Journey: S/A Mechanical Engineering Patches 1-3

Registration Deadline: 10/25



October 1-31

Explore Patch of the Month!

[Explore Air Force](#): \$2.50 each

October 1-31

Back to Troop!

Spend \$100 plus in a single transaction and receive a free girl or volunteer polo (valued \$15 & \$17)! *In stock items only. While supplies last.*

October 6, 13, 20

Pumpkin Wednesdays

Pick a pumpkin at checkout and receive a 10% or 15% discount off the entire purchase. *May not be combined with any other offer.*

October 28, 29, November 1

Celebrate Juliette Gordon Low's Birthday

Receive a discount of 15% off your entire purchase. *Cannot be combined with any other offer.*

New Arrivals

- GSCCC Hats: \$18
- GSCCC Hoodie (girl and adult): \$35
- GSCCC Long Sleeve Tee (adult): \$25
- Camp Apasus Magnet: \$3
- Camp Apasus Sticker: \$2
- Camp Burke's Mill Pond Magnet: \$3
- Camp Burke's Mill Pond Sticker: \$2
- Camp Darden Magnet: \$3
- Camp Darden Sticker: \$2
- Camp Outback Magnet: \$3
- Camp Outback Sticker: \$2
- Camp Skimino Magnet: \$3
- Camp Skimino Sticker: \$2

Activity Fun Patches

- Adventure Course
- Archery
- Backpacking
- Caving
- Corn Maze
- Fall Fun
- High Ropes
- Halloween

- Juliette Gordon Low's Birthday
- Low Ropes
- Pumpkin Patch
- Rock Climbing

[Check our Shop page](#) for hours of operation and details.

Share Your Story!

We want to hear from girls, parents, volunteers and alum! You can fill out a short form with your contact information and your story that we can share with others.

Catch our latest stories on our [GSCCC Blog](#).

[Submit a story now »](#)