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Girl Scout Awards

There is no better place than Girl Scouts to develop leadership skills and earn awards! Girl Scouts provides award opportunities at all levels, starting with our youngest leaders – Girl Scout Daisies in kindergarten, all the way through high school seniors – Girl Scout Ambassadors.

Find more information about available awards at www.girlscouts.org/badges.

Highest Awards

Girl Scout Bronze Award

The Bronze Award is the highest award a Girl Scout Junior (grades 4-5) can earn. They can work with their troop, in a small group or as an individual to earn their Bronze once they have completed one of the leadership awards.



Girl Scout Silver Award

Silver Award Girl Scouts have earned the highest award a Girl Scout Cadette (grades 6-8) can earn. A Girl Scout can work with their troop/group (a maximum of 3 per project) or as an individual to earn their Silver once they have completed one of the leadership awards or a Bronze.



Silver Trefoil Award

The Silver Trefoil Award is unique to Girl Scouts Nation's Capital. The award honors Girl Scout Seniors and Ambassadors who make the world a better place through service in three categories: Girl Scout Community, National, and Global.



Girl Scout Gold Award

Gold Award Girl Scouts have earned the highest award a Girl Scout Senior (grades 9-10) or Ambassador (grade 11-12) can earn.
A Girl Scout earns this award as an individual once they have completed a Silver Award or one of the leadership awards.
Girl Scouts track their progress using GSUSA's GoGold Platform and work with our local Gold Award Support Team.



Awards for all Girl Scout Levels

Journey Summit Award

This award is earned by completing three Journeys for your Girl Scout level.



Retired as of 10-1-26!

My Promise, My Faith

Girl Scouts of all levels can earn one award each year as they explore the connection between Girl Scouts and their faith.



Safety Award

Each level has its own set of requirements to teach girls how to stay safe.



Bridging Award



Bridging Girl Scouts earn this award by completing two steps - Pass It On - to share what they've learned with younger girls - and Look Ahead - to learn from older girls about their next Girl Scout level.

Meritorious Service*

Bronze Cross

This Lifesaving Award is given to a Girl Scout who has shown extraordinary heroism or risked their life to save another's.



Medal of Honor

This Lifesaving Award is given to a Girl Scout who has saved someone's life in an emergency.



**Meritorious Service awards are rare. To recommend a Girl Scout for acts of heroism, contact customercare@gscnc.org*

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Leadership Awards

Personal Leadership

True North Award

Girl Scouts will learn to stay true to themselves while pursuing goals.



Teaching Leadership

Junior Aide

Girl Scouts will know how to plan and lead a fun, inclusive activity for younger kids.



Program Aide

Girl Scouts will have planned and led multiple activities for a group of younger kids.



Volunteer in Training (VIT)

Girl Scouts will develop skills in creating supportive environments for younger kids.



Counselor in Training I

Girl Scouts will establish the leadership and outdoor skills needed to be a camp counselor.



Counselor in Training II

Girl Scouts will focus on skills needed to work with youth at camp, including behaviors of campers and how to manage them, working as team with all staff and learn about camp operations



Peer Leadership

Gold Torch

Girl Scouts will learn how to lead a successful team.



Silver Torch

Girl Scouts will learn how to lead by being a great teammate.



Community Advocacy

Take Action Award

Girl Scouts will know how to address a community issue with a sustainable and measurable solution.



Global Action Award

Girl Scouts will know how to address a global issue with a sustainable and measurable solution.



Council Specific

Ethel G. Harvey President's Award



The President's Award in Honor of Ethel G. Harvey is the only Girls Scouts Nation's Capital honorary award for girls. Nominations are taken for Cadettes, Seniors or Ambassadors for the award given annually. A committee of GS select the winner.

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