



2024-2025
Program Guide



girl scouts 
of the chesapeake bay

Dear Girl Scout Family,

It is my pleasure to welcome you to a new Girl Scout year! With the successes and challenges of the past year under our belts, the dedicated staff at Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay have carefully evaluated our program offerings, keeping the feedback of our girls, caregivers, and volunteers at the center of our planning. The result is a program year plan we are proud to deliver. Inside this Program Guide, I hope you will be delighted to find a renewed focus on providing quality programs that support the official Girl Scout Leadership Experience by meeting badge and Journey requirements while engaging girls in hands-on activities, skill-building, forming meaningful connections, and most of all - FUN.



Girl Scout adventures are the best kind. As you attend your first troop meetings and identify your goals for the year, let this guide be your roadmap to making the most of every opportunity and creating the adventure you've been dreaming of.

I am so excited for this new year of programming, and I look forward to seeing each of you out there.

Yours in Girl Scouting,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Claudia Pena Porretti".

Claudia Pena Porretti, JD, CFRE
Chief Executive Officer
Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay



[Log in to
your MyGS
account](#)

For the Grown Ups

Your guidance and support makes all the difference when it comes to creating rewarding opportunities for your Girl Scout. Dive right in with this helpful checklist of next steps:

- ❑ **Renew** - If you haven't already, now's the time to complete your membership renewal for your Girl Scout and any other members of your household.
- ❑ **Update your information** - Best practice is logging in to your MyGS account at the start of the year to ensure your contact information and preferences are up to date as well as school and age information for your Girl Scout.
- ❑ **Support Your Troop** - Girl Scouts is a group effort. If you're not already a volunteer, contact your Troop Leader to find out how you can support the troop and spend extra quality time with your Girl Scout.

Who We Are

Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay (GSCB) is proud to serve nearly 4,000 girls, supported by 2,400 adult volunteers, across 14 counties in Delaware and the Eastern Shores of Maryland and Virginia. We are guided by the Girl Scout mission of building girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place. Whether your girl is ready to earn their next badge, embark on a camping adventure, or organize an impactful service project, the dedicated staff at GSCB is here to help them achieve whatever they can dream up.

Where to Find Us

★ **Camp Country Center** -
1051 Sharpless Rd. Hockessin, DE 19707

★ **Camp Todd** -
25012 Beauchamp Branch Rd.
Denton, MD 21619

About Our Organization

World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS)

A global association supporting the female-oriented and female-only Guiding and Scouting organizations in 152 countries.

Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA)

A National organization supporting the work of more than 110 councils across the U.S. for more than 100 years. Headquartered in New York, New York.

Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay (GSCB)

Independent 501(c)3 nonprofit chartered by GSUSA operating under the direction of local staff and Board of Directors, which oversees all service units, troops and Juliettes within the footprint mapped above.

Service Unit

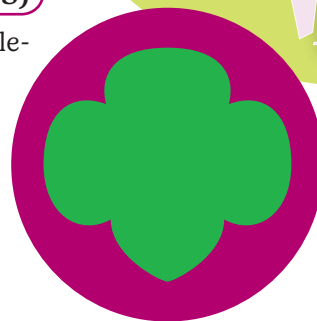
Volunteers who create a sense of community and support troop volunteers within a given geographic area.

Troop

Groups of girls led by volunteers who participate in the Girl Scout Leadership Experience.

Juliette

Individually registered Girl Scouts who participate in the Girl Scout Leadership Experience with the help of a Juliette mentor.



Program on the Move

We're bringing the hands-on fun, creativity, discovery, and skill-building to you. Get badge-earning programming delivered for FREE by requesting a Program on the Move visit. In it's fourth year serving Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay, Program on the Move is back with improvements based on YOUR feedback:

- The majority of Program on the Move selections will meet all or most of the requirements for official Girl Scout Badges. Badges are not provided. However, Troop Leaders will have the opportunity to purchase badges earned with no shipping cost.
- Program on the Move selections will be based on progression, ensuring that each time you have a Program on the Move visit, your group will get a fresh, new program experience that builds upon the skills they have already learned during past visits.
- Choose between Outdoor or General Program on the Move to get more specific selection options.
- We are now offering Program on the Move in December and September! Bookings will be available all months except for June, July and August.
- We have lowered the minimum number of Girl Scouts per visit to 5.



PLUS the perks that you know and love:

- FREE Program on the Move Patch! New design!
- No planning for the troop! We bring the supplies and a GSCB staff member will be there to facilitate. All troop volunteers need to provide is a meeting space and enough adults to meet girl to adult ratio!



The program of your
choice...

delivered to your
meeting place...

FREE!

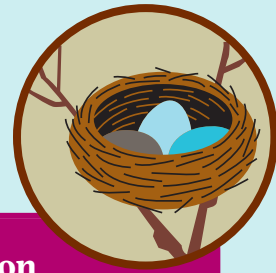
Program Selection	Girl Scout Levels	Official Girl Scout Badge Curriculum
Circuits	All Levels	No official badge requirements met
Improv	All Levels	No official badge requirements met
Digital Leadership	Daisy - Cadette	All requirements for the Digital Leadership Badge
Robotics 1	Daisy - Cadette	All requirements for the Designing Robots Badge
Robotics 2		All requirements for the Programming Robots Badge
Cybersecurity 1	Daisy - Cadette	All requirements for the Cybersecurity Basics Badge
Cybersecurity 2		All requirements for the Cybersecurity Safeguards Badge
Cybersecurity 3		All requirements for the Cybersecurity Investigator Badge
Math in Nature 1	Daisy - Junior	All requirements for the Shapes in Nature Badge
Math in Nature 2		All requirements for the Numbers in Nature Badge
Math in Nature 3		All requirements for the Design with Nature Badge
Trail Adventure	Daisy - Cadette	Most or all requirements for the Trail Adventure Badge
Babysitter	Cadette	All requirements for the Cadette Babysitter Badge
Seasonal Hike	All Levels	Some requirements for the Trail Adventure Badge
Buddy Camper/Eco Learner	Daisy	Most requirements for Daisy Buddy Camper and Eco Learner Badges
Outdoor Art Maker	Daisy	All requirements for the Daisy Outdoor Art Maker Badge



Learn More about
Program on the Move and
 reserve your next visit!



Explore the Outdoors



Program	Date	Location	Girl Scout Levels	Description
<u>Junior Geocacher Overnight</u>	Oct. 18 - 19, 2024	Camp Todd (Denton, MD)	Junior (4-5)	Juniors will learn how to respect nature and wildlife while learning to use a GPS to locate coordinates and stay stealthy as they search and find geocaches. Attendees will complete the requirements for the Junior Geocacher and Eco Camper badges.
<u>Cadette Night Owl Overnight</u>	Oct. 19 - 20, 2024	Camp Todd (Denton, MD)	Cadette (6-8)	Stay up late for a campfire and night hike and discuss how the world keeps moving after we go to bed. Attendees will complete the requirements for the Cadette Night Owl badge.
<u>Creator Weekend</u>	Jan. 24 - 26, 2025	Camp Todd (Denton, MD)	Seniors and Ambassadors (9-12)	Explore outdoor art, find beauty in nature, try your hand at nature photography, and express yourself through multiple mediums! Attendees will complete the requirements for the Senior Collage and Senior Outdoor Art Expert badges or Ambassador Photography and Ambassador Outdoor Art Master badges.
<u>Cadette Woodworker Overnight</u>	Apr. 11-12, 2025	Camp Country Center (Hockessin, DE)	Cadette (6-8)	Learn how to safely use basic tools to create your own wooden masterpiece! Attendees will complete the requirements for the Cadette Woodworking Badge.
<u>Junior Geocacher Overnight</u>	Apr. 25-26, 2025	Camp Country Center (Hockessin, DE)	Junior (4-5)	Juniors will learn how to respect nature and wildlife while learning to use a GPS to locate coordinates and stay stealthy as they search and find geocaches. Attendees will complete the requirements for the Junior Geocacher and Eco Camper badges.
<u>Cadette Night Owl Overnight</u>	Apr. 26-27, 2025	Camp Country Center (Hockessin, DE)	Cadette (6-8)	Stay up late for a campfire and night hike and discuss how the world keeps moving after we go to bed. Attendees will complete the requirements for the Cadette Night Owl badge.
<u>Troop Camping Weekend</u>	May 2 - 4, 2025	Camp Country Center (Hockessin, DE)	Daisies, Brownies, and Juniors (K-5)	A weekend full of fun and adventure with your troop! Includes hiking, archery, crafts, and outdoor skills practice.

Please note all dates, times, locations and themes for programs are subject to change or cancellation. Utilize the Event Calendar at www.gscb.org for the most up to date information.

<u>Leadership Weekend</u>	May 16-18, 2025	Camp Todd (Denton, MD)	Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors (6-12)	This program will guide you in understanding what it means to be a leader who makes a difference in the world. Work with others to navigate outdoor skills and challenges designed to hone your leadership skills. Attendees will complete the requirements for the Cadette Trailblazing, Senior Paddling, or Ambassador Coaching badges.
<u>Adventure Weekend</u>	Aug. 8 - 10, 2025	Camp Todd (Denton, MD)	8th grade Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors (8-12)	S'mores, glow ziplining, hiking, archery and more outdoor fun all jam-packed into one amazing adventure of a weekend.
<u>Troop Camping Weekend</u>	Sep. 5-7, 2025	Camp Country Center (Hockessin, DE)	Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors (6-12)	A weekend full of fun and adventure with your troop! Includes hiking, archery, crafts, and outdoor skills practice.
<u>Troop Camping Weekend</u>	Sep. 19-21, 2025	Camp Todd (Denton, MD)	Daisies, Brownies, and Juniors (K-5)	A weekend full of fun and adventure with your troop! Includes hiking, archery, crafts, and outdoor skills practice.

Program Partnerships

Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay is excited to partner with businesses and organizations throughout the Delmarva Peninsula (and beyond) to bring unique programming experiences, provided by and designed by field experts, to our members. Program Partners may offer anything from a discounted activity to a full Girl Scout Badge or Journey experience.



Our online Event Calendar will be updated throughout the year with new Program Partner events so check back often to find something in your area!

Additionally, some Program Partners offer programming by request. Volunteers are encouraged to browse our Program Partners webpage to learn more about setting up an exciting experience for your troop/group.



[Learn more about our Program Partners](#)



[Check out community Girl Scout Days](#)

Your Year in

Check out important dates, then add your own troop



October

Oct 11th: International Day of the Girl

Oct 26th: The Power of Democracy -
Empowering our World Together Event

Oct 31st: Happy Girl Scout Founder's Day!

November

Nov 11th: Veteran's Day

Nov 19th: Women's Entrepreneurship Day

February

Celebrate Black History Month!

Feb 21st - 23rd: National Girl Scout Cookie
Weekend

Feb 22nd: World Thinking Day

March

Celebrate Women's History Month!

Mar 9th - 15th : Girl Scout Week

Mar 12th: Happy Girl Scout's Birthday!

June

Summer Camp begins!

Jun 8th: National Get Outdoors Day

July

Jul 4th: Independence Day

Girl Scouts

meetings and activities you can do as a family.



December

Enjoy winter holidays!

January

Jan 4th: Cookie Program Begins

Jan 15th: Martin Luther King Day of Service

April

Celebrate Volunteer Appreciation Month!

Apr 1st: Early Bird Renewal Begins

Apr 12th: Peninsula Day of Service

Apr 22nd: Girl Scout Leader's Day

Apr 22nd: Earth Day

May

Enjoy bridging and end-of-year ceremonies!

August

Aug 10th: National S'mores Day

September

Sept 13 - 14th: Girl Scouts Love State Parks Weekend

Opportunities to take the Lead



Bronze Award

Available for Girl Scout Juniors*

Work with a team of fellow Juniors to make an impact in your community!



Silver Award

Available for Girl Scout Cadettes*

Work individually or with a small group to identify an issue and take action!



Gold Award

Available for Girl Scout Seniors and Ambassadors*

Identify an issue meaningful to you, take action and create a sustainable impact!



The Girl Scout Gold Award is the highest award a Girl Scout can earn. It has a rich history of recognizing extraordinary efforts by extraordinary girls. Gold Award Girl Scouts not only gain real world experience in team building, problem solving, project planning and time management, they also earn scholarships, join a global network of Gold Award Alums, and can even enlist at a higher pay grade in the military!



Very Invested Camper (V.I.C.)

Available for all levels

Get access to exclusive outdoor events, SWAG, and build connections with other girls who LOVE the outdoors!



Cookie Captains

Available for Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors

Mentor young cookie sellers, support local cookie booths and assist your Service Unit Cookie Champion.



Media Girls/Media Minis

Available for all levels

Try your hand at content creation and see your work on official GSCB social media channels!

*Additional requirements may apply.

Become a Junior Facilitator - Available for Seniors and Ambassadors

Are you an outdoor enthusiast interested in supporting activities for your troop, service unit, or community? Completing our Facilitator Trainings for Small Craft or Archery allow you to serve as a Qualified Assistant to the Adult Facilitator for those activities. Scan the QR code to the right to learn about our upcoming training opportunities.



V.I.C. Exclusive Events

Enroll as a V.I.C. (Very Invested Camper) between September 1 - November 30 to be invited to these outdoor adventures:

- Night Hike at Camp Country Center - Oct. 11, 2024
- Virtual Winter Crafts - Dec. 15, 2024
- Day Hike at a State Park - Apr. 5, 2025
- Overnight at Camp Todd - Jun. 20, 2025

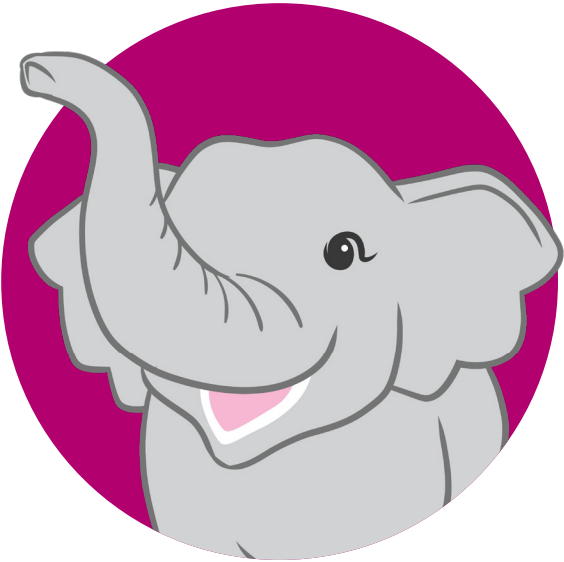


Journey-in-a-Day Programs

Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay is working with Service Unit volunteers in areas across our footprint to plan Journey-in-a-Day programming! **Any Girl Scout is invited to attend any of the below events, regardless where they live.** Keep an eye on our event calendar for details about program levels and specific locations.

Date	Service Unit Number	Counties within or surrounding the SU
Saturday, Oct. 12	602	Cecil, Kent, New Castle
Saturday, Nov. 2	625	New Castle, Cecil
Saturday, Nov. 16	630	Sussex, Kent
Saturday, Dec. 7	613	New Castle, Kent, Cecil
Saturday, Jan. 11	633	Kent, Caroline, Queen Anne's, Sussex, New Castle
Sunday, Mar. 30	610	Sussex, Dorchester, Wicomico, Caroline

Fall Product and Cookie Programs



Fall Product Program Dates

September 27th, 2024 -
November 3rd, 2024



Cookie Program Dates

January 4th, 2025 -
March 9th, 2025



[Learn more
about Fall Product](#)

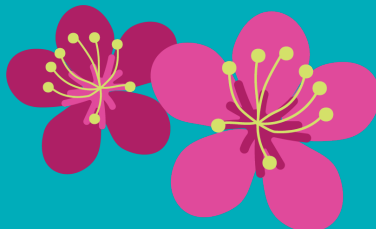


[Learn more about
the Cookie Program](#)

Why Participate in Product Programs?

The Fall Product Program and Girl Scout Cookie Program provide an important ingredient for leadership by helping girls develop the skills for success:

Goal Setting
Decision Making
Money Management
People Skills
Business Ethics



100% of funds generated from product programs go toward helping girls of the Chesapeake Bay build important skills by providing activities and opportunities through Girl Scouting.



EMBRACE

POSSIBILITY

2024



Product Program A.C.E.S. (Ambition, Creativity, and Entrepreneurial Spirit)

Our Product Program ACES are the tip top sellers of our council for both Fall Product and Cookies. For these girls, the entrepreneurial spirit runs deep! ACES will get an exclusive patch for their first year and a rocker for every subsequent year they reach the ACES requirements, opportunities to represent GSCB in the media or press, and go-to's for feedback on future product programs!

To qualify for ACES, Girl Scouts must sell:

- \$175 worth of products during the 2024 Fall Product Program
- 625+ packages of Cookies during the 2025 Cookie Program



GSCB Signature Programs

Founder's Day Feature Event:

The Promise of Democracy -
Empowering our World Together



Saturday, October 26, 2024
8AM - 3PM
Clayton Hall, Newark, DE
All members and prospective
members invited to attend



Peninsula Day of Service:

Prepare Camp Country Center and
Camp Todd for the Summer



Saturday, April 12, 2025
9AM - 2PM
Camp Country Center and
Camp Todd



Fun Patch of the Month

Visit our Event Calendar each month to learn more about earning the Patch of the Month!



October

Patience, Kindness,
and Mindfulness



November

Veteran's Day



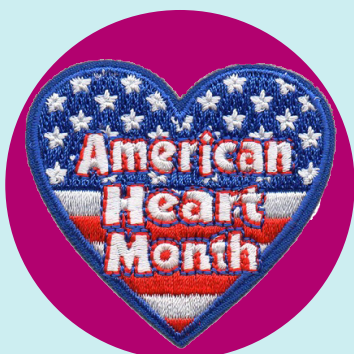
December

Lasagna Love



January

Museum Appreciation



February

Heart Health



March

Read Across America



April

Caring for and
Celebrating Pets



May

Mental Health and
Food Allergy Awareness



June

State Park Expert



July

Ice Cream Party



August

Friends Forever



September

Speaking in Sign

Reserve a Property

Camp Todd and Camp Country Center are available for rent. Stay with us for your next troop camping trip or even your next family reunion or personal event!



[Make a
Reservation](#)

Stay Connected to GSCB



Girls in Action

Did something cool with your troop? Completed a badge or Journey? Took action through a community service project? We want to hear about it!

[Share your Girl Scout adventures using the Girls in Action Form.](#)



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Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay

Your Girl Scout Year

Your Name: _____

Your Service Unit Number: _____

Your Troop Number (if any): _____

This Girl Scout year, you want to learn:

What badges, Journeys, or awards do you want to earn this year?

What programs do you want to attend this year?



You are a:

Daisy (K-1)

Brownie (2-3)

Junior (4-5)

Cadette (6-8)

Senior (9-10)

Ambassador
(11-12)

This is my

**year as a
Girl Scout**