

girl scouts of south carolina mountains to midlands

The best leadership development experience for girls in the world.



### The Girl Scout Promise

On my honor, I will try:
To serve God and my country,
To help people at all times,
And to live by the Girl Scout Law.

## The Girl Scout Law

I will do my best to be honest and fair, friendly and helpful, considerate and caring, courageous and strong, and responsible for what I say and do, and to

respect myself and others, respect authority, use resources wisely, make the world a better place, and be a sister to every Girl Scout.

## **Our Mission**

Building girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

## **Membership**

Girl Scout membership is open to all girls grades K5-12, and to adults, both women and men, who subscribe to the Girl Scout Promise and Law. Girls are grouped by grade to ensure that activities are grade-appropriate:

daisies	k5-grade 1
brownies	grades 2-3
juniors	grades 4-5
cadettes	grades 6-8
seniors	grades 9-10
ambassadors	grades 11-12







## Girl Scouts of South Carolina-Mountains to Midlands

For more than 100 years, Girl Scouting has helped girls develop positive values and become active, responsible leaders in their communities. With emphasis on personal growth and leadership development through service to others, from taking a night-time hike under the stars to accepting a mission on the International Space Station; from lobbying the city council with her troop to holding a seat in Congress; from running her own cookie business today to tackling cybersecurity tomorrow.

Girl Scouts of South Carolina—Mountains to Midlands, Inc. serves nearly 10,000 girl and adult members across these 22 counties: Abbeville, Aiken, Anderson, Cherokee, Chester, Edgefield, Fairfield, Greenville, Greenwood, Kershaw, Lancaster, Laurens, Lexington, McCormick, Newberry, Oconee, Pickens, Richland, Saluda, Spartanburg, Sumter, and Union.







#### What We Do

Girl Scouts bring their dreams to life and work together to build a better world. Through our programs from coast to coast, Girl Scouts of all backgrounds and abilities can be unapologetically themselves as they discover their strengths and rise to meet new challenges-whether they want to climb to the top of a tree or the top of their class, lace up their boots for a hike or advocate for climate justice, or make their first best friends. Backed by trusted adult volunteers, mentors, and millions of alums, Girl Scouts lead the way as they find their voices and make changes that affect the issues most important to them. To join us, volunteer, reconnect, or donate, visit gssc-mm.org.

#### How We Do It

The inclusive, all-female environment of a Girl Scout troop creates a safe space where girls can try new things, develop a range of skills, take on leadership roles, and just be themselves. Girl Scouts take the potential of girls, combines it with robust skill building programming, and adds caring adult mentors and strong female role models.



#### Discover

Find out who she is, what she cares about, and what her talents are.



#### Connect

Collaborate with other people, both locally and globally, to learn from others and expand her horizons.



#### Take Action

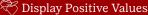
Do something to make the world a better place.

#### The Five Outcomes

When girls participate in Girl Scouts, they benefit in 5 important ways:



Develop a Stong Sense of Self





Seek Challenges

Form Healthy Relationships

Be Community Problem-Solvers





#### The Girl Scout Gold Award

The Girl Scout Gold Award is the highest award in Girl Scouting, earned by Girl Scout Seniors and Ambassadors who have chosen to further develop their leadership skills by planning and completing a project that reflects their values and addresses an important community issue, involves others in the execution, and creates long lasting change. Gold Award Girl Scouts have worked a minimum of 80 hours to complete all the requirements. More than 100 colleges, universities, nonprofits, and other national organizations offer scholarships specifically to Gold Award Girl Scouts. The military recognizes Gold Awardees as they enter their service by promoting them to a higher pay grade.

#### What She Gets From Joining Girl Scouts

Girl Scouts are happy and confident, thriving on new adventures and experiences. A Girl Scout knows she's having fun, but you'll know she's also gaining important financial literacy skills (math, anyone?) as she participates in the largest girl-run business in the world—the Girl Scout Cookie Program.

Healthy relationships skills will help her navigate through her school years, especially as she moves into middle school and high school. She will gain knowledge that will help her in science classes as she builds robots, conducts amazing experiments with her friends, and explores the nature. Leadership skills will make it easier for her to speak up in class and advocate for herself and others.

Girls become more empowered as they move through the Girl Scout Leadership Experience, a set of activities and challenges designed to deliver specific benefits to girls at every age level.







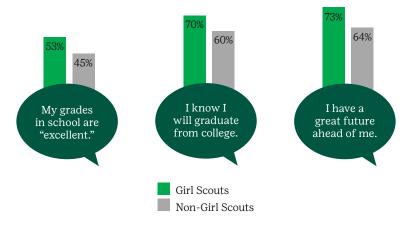
### Advoca<u>cy</u>

Girl Scouts has a long-standing commitment to the wellbeing of girls. We emphasize these public policy priorities:

- Promote economic opportunities for girls and build the nation's future workforce by increasing girls' involvement in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) and strengthening their financial literacy and entrepreneurial skills
- Encourage girls to embrace a healthy lifestyle by expanding their access to outdoor activities, preventing bullying/relational aggression, and promoting healthy relationships
- Foster global citizenship and a global voice for girls
- Uphold a strong nonprofit community that supports the Girl Scout Leadership Experience

#### **Girl Scouting Works!**

Half the women in the United States today were Girl Scouts at some time in their lives. According to a Girl Scout Research Institute report, Girl Scouting Works: The Alumnae Impact Study, Girl Scout alumnae display significantly more positive life outcomes than those who were not Girl Scouts. Research proves they have a higher sense of self, education and income levels, and a higher rate of volunteerism and civic engagement.



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