



Get ready to explore more this cookie season!

We hope your Girl Scout Juliette is getting excited to participate in the Girl Scout Cookie Program beginning on January 6! This is such an excellent opportunity for Girl Scouts to build essential life skills while earning funds to support their activities. If you haven't already, start the onboarding process with the [How to Access Juliette Cookie 101 Training](#) tip sheet. Connect with your service unit product manager or contact answers@girlscoutsosw.org if you have any questions or need support.



Check out the resources below to help support your troop through cookie season:

- [Juliette Cookie Basics Q&A](#) (Recording)
- [Cookie Program Family Guide](#) (PDF)
- [Cookie Program Calendar](#) (PDF)
- [Cookie Program Girl Scout Recognitions](#) (PDF)
- ... and more [Cookie Program resources!](#)

◆◆◆◆ Get extra support from your council team during the Cookie Program by registering for the virtual [Taste of Cookies cohort](#).

LEARN MORE



Announcing the New GSOSW Online Shop

Shop at our new online store (<https://shop.girlscoutsosw.org>) for pickup or delivery! This website reflects the items available for purchase in the Portland Shop, and Girl Scouts can shop with [GSOSW Program Credits](#) online as well.

[Get ready for this year's Girl Scout Cookie Program](#) with exciting items featuring the NEW Exploremores™ cookie, order Girl Scout uniforms and badges, and more.

The early-bird deadline for [overnight camp registration](#) is January 20! We are offering [10% off all items pre-ordered](#) for camp delivery before that date.

VISIT THE SHOP

Portland Girl Scout Shop Holiday Closures and Year End Giving

The Portland Shop will be closed from December 24 to January 1. Online orders placed during this time will be filled in the order received, beginning on January 2.

If you planned to drop by the shop to make a year-end gift, please [give online](#) or send a check (postmarked no later than December 31) to:

Girl Scouts of Oregon and Southwest Washington
9620 SW Barbur Blvd.
Portland, OR 97219

If you have questions about giving, please contact Kim Holmes at 503-977-6843 or kholmes@girlscoutsosw.org. Thank you for all you do for Girl Scouts and for helping to make the world a better place.

DISCOVER

Important updates and reminders for Juliette Mentors.



Juliette Cookie Rally January 10

You are invited to kick off the 2026 cookie season on January 10 from 12:30–2:30 p.m. for a Juliette Cookie Rally at the Portland Service Center (Room 220)! All levels of Juliettes are welcome at this Cookie Rally hosted by Girl Scout Cadette, Mantis. There will be several activities to help Juliettes prepare for cookie season and work toward earning their Cookie Business badges! If any Cadettes, Seniors, or Ambassadors would like to join Mantis in leading activities at the Rally, they can earn hours toward their Service to Girl Scouting Bar.

Please RSVP so we have enough supplies for everyone. If you have any questions, please email Mantis's mom at caitlinmitchel@gmail.com.

- Sample cookies to learn about the ABC Bakers cookies and taste all the cookie flavors. **Cookies contain allergens. Review the [Girl Scout Cookie Food Allergens Guide](#) for details.*
- Practice sales pitches and role-play selling at a mock cookie booth.
- Consider sales goals and create a goal ladder or bracelet.
- Create your own signs/posters for decorating cookie booths.
- Play games like cookie season trivia to win prizes, including Girl Scout merchandise and cookie booth supplies!
- Please note: This event is for Juliettes and their caregiver/mentor. This is not a drop-off event.

RSVP

We're in Give!Guide this year!

Girl Scouts of Oregon and SW Washington is excited to be featured as part of Willamette Week's Give!Guide this year. You may have already seen our posts on social media. Please help us reach our goal by sharing the posts and spreading the word with your network.

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CONNECT

Join us for meetings, events, and adult leadership development opportunities to connect with other volunteers, our council, and the Girl Scout Movement!



Join the first GROW session on December 17!

Girl Scout staff from the Volunteer Support and Volunteer Learning Services team are excited to introduce a new opportunity for Girl Scout volunteers! Strengthen your leadership, connect with other volunteers from across the council, and build your confidence by sharing best practices and experiences.

GROW (*Guiding with Purpose, Resilience in Leadership, Opportunities to Connect, Wisdom to Share*) is a series of short, engaging workshops, and we'll be starting the series on Wednesday, December 17, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. We hope you'll join us for the first session: Bite-Sized Tools for Big Conversations!

SIGN UP



Upcoming Training for Volunteers

Below are just a few upcoming training dates for adult volunteers! Please check our [Events page](#) for additional dates and locations. New training opportunities may be added throughout the month.

January 17: [First Aid, CPR, and AED Blended Training - Bend, OR](#)

SEE MORE

NEW! Request a training in your area with our [GSOSW Volunteer Training Interest Form](#).

TAKE ACTION

Tips and tools for successful leadership, and program opportunities for your Juliette to explore.



Outdoor Day is on May 2: New Opportunity for CSA Girl Scouts

Join Girl Scouts friends and families for Outdoor Day on Saturday, May 2, 2026. Spend time in nature and explore Camp Mountindale in North Plains, OR.

Discover how to identify plants, track animals, practice archery, and more! Outdoor Day registration is \$16 per person and opens on Tuesday, February 3, 2026.

★ Do you know Cadette, Senior, or Ambassador Girl Scouts who are curious about unique careers in the outdoors or STEM? They'll be able to apply to be an [Outdoor Day Program Partner Assistant](#) beginning on January 12!

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Highest Awards Support Hours

Do you have questions about [Leadership Awards](#), Journey retirement, or Highest Awards? [Sign up to join us for an upcoming virtual Support Hour](#). Whether you are in progress on an award or wondering how to get started, we have you covered! These sessions are open to Girl Scouts from Juniors through Ambassadors, as well as to adults supporting any Girl Scouts with these awards. Highest Awards Support Hours are Q&A Sessions and will not be recorded, so please sign up to join us!

SIGN UP

❄️ This month's STEAM Challenge is the Science of Snow! Explore freezing temperatures by making homemade ice cream, studying snowflake symmetry, or building a snow sculpture as you [earn this fun patch](#).

🦉 This month's Great Outdoors Challenge is the Night Owl! Learn how to read a star chart, discover nocturnal animals, or illustrate a chalk model of the solar system as you [work toward earning this fun patch](#).

📋 Girl Scouts can use program credits for event registration, overnight camp, Girl Scout shop purchases, and much more! [Learn more about program credits](#).

◆ Find more activity ideas in the [Schedule Your Own Adventure Center](#).

Do you have news to share about Juliette's experience? Celebrate your Girl Scout and inspire others by sharing your story! To be considered, email up to four of your best photos, a one-to-three-sentence description, and your troop number with the subject line "Troop Tuesday" to communications@girlscoutsosw.org.

We look forward to seeing what you share!

SHARE YOUR STORY