



## Girl Scout Gold Award Guidelines

Girl Scout Gold Award for girls in 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade. Final reports are due March 1 to be recognized at the spring awards ceremony. Girls have until September 30 after their graduation year to complete their Gold Award project.

1. Girl completes two Senior/Ambassador-level journeys (including the associated Take Action Projects and Journey Awards) OR one Senior/Ambassador-level journey, if the girl has already earned the Silver Award.
2. Girl reviews the [Girl Scout Gold Award – Girl Guide](#). Her adult volunteer reviews the [Girl Scout Gold Award – Adult Guide](#).
3. Girl views required [GSSI's Girl Scout Gold Award online module](#).
4. Girl registers on the Gold Award Website to start her [Gold Award Application](#).
5. Once girl completes step 5 on the Gold Award Website someone from the Girl Award Committee will contact the girl and set up an appointment, at which the girl will discuss what she learned from the journey(s) she completed and will present more information on her proposed project (including what needs are being addressed, the scope of the project, her team, possible budget, timeline, etc.). Appointments are scheduled the first Thursday of the month from 3pm-5pm at the GSSI council office 5000 E Virginia Street, Evansville, IN 47715 Suite 2.
6. The Girl Award Committee may do one of the following:
  - a. Approve the proposal, and the girl can begin the project.
  - b. Conditionally approve the proposal, and the girl can begin the project with the changes agreed on by the girl and committee.
  - c. Deny the proposal, if the project is not considered to be of sufficient scope for a Gold Award Project. The girl could submit other project proposals in the future.
7. Once the project is approved the Girl Award Committee will assign the girl a Project Mentor. Project mentors will help encourage and guide the girls in the right direction. Girls are expected to check in with their regularly to give an update on the project.
8. Girl implements and completes the project.
9. Following step 7 on the Gold Award Website someone from the Girl Award Committee will contact the girl and set up a final appointment to discuss the outcomes of the project. Final appointments will be scheduled the first Thursday of every month from 3pm-5pm at the GSSI council office 5000 E Virginia Street, Evansville, IN 47715 Suite 2.
10. The girl prepares and delivers a 20-minute presentation (power point, display board, scrapbook, etc.) to the committee to share her experiences with them. The Girl Award Committee gives her feedback on the presentation and project. If appropriate, the Committee endorses the award by sending the girls a congratulatory letter of approval.
11. The girl is honored at the Girl Scouts of Southwest Indiana annual highest award celebration.