



April 30, 2021

A purple graphic with a white trefoil logo on the left. The text "Camp life is the best life..." is written in a yellow cursive font. Below it, "Register now for our exciting new summer camp programs!" is written in a white, bold, sans-serif font. The right side of the graphic is a collage of six photos showing girls participating in various camp activities: sitting on a log, zip-lining, kayaking, archery, and sitting around a campfire.

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Summer camp programs are back for 2021! We have several all-new programs for all grade levels.

Join us as we kick off the summer at Camp Reveal in Evansville on May 15 for our Passport to Camp event! It will be a day full of camp-themed activities, including the chance to go zip-lining!* Plus, meet our Camp Koch summer staff and sign up for your 2021 camp weekend session! This event is open to all girls entering grades K-12 in the fall and their families. Get full information and register [HERE](#). *Hurry, the registration deadline is Monday, May 10!*

Can't make it to Evansville? Don't worry - we've got a full schedule of programs happening this summer. Check out the complete list and register for your session now at the link below.

**Girls must be in second grade or older to go zip lining*

MORE INFO



Day Camp Dates & Information Available

In addition to council camp events, day camps will also be held by service units this summer! More information will be added as dates are confirmed.

[GSSI Day Camps](#)

Renew Her Membership Now to Earn Special Incentives!

An advertisement for Girl Scouts membership renewal. It features a light blue background on the left and a purple background on the right. On the left, a purple hexagon contains the text "You've Got This" in white. Below it, the text "Today, tomorrow, together— Girl Scouts is on your team." is written in a dark blue font. At the bottom left, a purple button contains the text "RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP" in white. On the right, a photograph of a young girl with long brown hair, wearing a pink face mask and a brown vest over a white shirt, is shown. The photo is framed with a purple border that has a scalloped edge.

When the world turned upside down, you turned to Girl Scouts, and your trust in us means so much. Girl Scouts of Southwest Indiana will continue to be here for you and your family through it all. Cheering you on, lifting you up, celebrating your strengths. Today, tomorrow, together - Girl Scouts is on your team.

[**LEARN MORE**](#)



End of Cookie Program Survey Now Open

GSSI's Product Sales team is always here to help! We want to do whatever we can to make your next cookie program even bigger and better. We read every

comment and suggestion, so please share any feedback or ideas with us through our short [2021 Cookie Program Survey](#).

Congratulations to Our Girl Award Recipients

Congratulations to our award recipients for 2020-2021! Check out GSSI's Award Publication below and please email support@girlscouts-gssi.org for any corrections to the publication.

AWARDS PUBLICATION



Beginning this issue, we will begin recognizing troop leaders and volunteers that have made an impact on girls' lives. Do you have a shout out you'd like to share? Send your information to support@girlscouts-gssi.org. Watch for the features here and on our Facebook page.

Jennifer Verkamp with North Dubois Troop 228 and Annette Talbert with Daviess-Martin Troop 335: These leaders both recently organized puberty awareness programming for their troops. These important educational programs allowed girls to speak to local practitioners and learn about physical and emotional changes they will experience as they mature.

Karen Schulte with Spencer Troop 121 recently helped her girls promote female leadership at their middle school by asking their principal to include quotes

from women during the morning announcement quotes (they were unknowingly only quoting men). The girls researched quotes from famous women and shared them with the principal.



Is Your Troop Information Up to Date?

Keeping your troop information updated helps us know when and where your troops are meeting, what your troop focuses are, and lets us know that you are willing to accept more girls.

This is a wonderful opportunity for troops to allow new girls looking to join Girl Scouts to find a troop in their area and truly spreads the spirit of Girl Scouting being for every girl! You can make a difference in a girl's life by accepting just one more girl into your troop.

[Update Your Info Now](#)

Tough Cookie Mud Run Registration Now Open



You may be tough, but are you tough enough to conquer the Tough Cookie Mud Run? Test the limits of your mental and physical toughness as you run, crawl, jump, climb, and giggle your way through rugged woodland and steep hills along the beautiful Ohio River. Whether you're an elite athlete or just looking for a fun challenge with friends, Tough Cookie Mud Run is for you!

WHEN: August 21, 2021 at Camp Koch in Cannelton, Indiana

NEW COURSE THIS YEAR! You'll take on natural and man-made obstacles like treacherous tight ropes and arduous mud-caked trails as you make your way to the finish line. You will get dirty, muddy, and wet; that's what makes it fun! Participants must work together to overcome a number of obstacles along the way, at least 10 within the 5k trail. Try not to crumble as you climb a giant tire wall, crawl through muddy pits, run up a 10' warped wall, take an arctic dip, and leap over fire!

First 50 to register get a **FREE** Tough Cookie t-shirt! Must be registered by July 16, 2021!

Must be 14 years old by August 21, 2021 to participate in all obstacles. Kids ages 10-13 may run a limited course. All participants will sign a waiver to participate. Individuals under the age of 18 will need a parent or guardian present to sign a waiver on the day of the event.

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Support GSSI With the Family Giving Partnership



The Family Giving Partnership is an opportunity for families and friends of Girl Scouts to make a financial contribution to directly benefit the girls. As a member of our Girl Scout family, you know how important Girl Scouting is to girls, their families, and the community. Any amount is appreciated, but a \$25 or greater donation will get your Girl Scout a Family Giving patch.

[GIVE NOW](#)

Are You Ready to be a Philanthropist?

GSSI is excited to offer a variety of day and weekend camp options for girls and families this year. Due to COVID-19 guidelines, we have carefully planned each session to limit exposures and keep everyone safe. With that in mind, we are in



need of several items to help ensure the health and safety of our campers, volunteers, and staff. By donating an item of at least \$5.00 in value, you will receive a 2021 I'm a Philanthropist Patch!

We have created a list of items requested based on your service unit. To view the list and learn how to donate, visit the link below.

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Share Your Thoughts and Be Entered to Win a Gift Card with Girl Scout Voices Count



At Girl Scouts, we care about your experience—good or bad—and we want to hear from you! This month GSUSA is conducting a national survey with girls, parents or caregivers, and troop leaders called Girl Scout Voices Count to find out what's working and what's not. (Service unit volunteers will be surveyed in May.) We'll use your feedback to improve our services and programs.

As a thank you, everyone who completes the survey will have a chance to win one of 20 \$50 gift cards from GSUSA. PLUS - GSSI will enter troop leaders that complete the survey into a \$50 drawing (3 winners) and parents/girls will be entered into a \$25 drawing (4 winners)! Hurry - the survey closes on May 5!

We can't wait for you to make your voice count!

Got questions? Email GSVoicesCount@girlscouts.org

Plan your Summer Fun with the Latest Program Guide from GSSI!

Start planning for spring and summer activities with the latest program guide from GSSI! The guide contains a full list of available partner programs, camp dates, and council events for all grade levels. Check back often, more programs are added regularly.

[LEARN MORE](#)



Upcoming Events & Program Opportunities

Take Action for the Environment with Alcoa

Thanks to a generous grant from Alcoa Foundation, GSSI will offer mini grants for take action and highest award projects that focus on environmental sustainability and/or environmental education throughout the 2020-2021 membership year. Troops, service unit events, service unit camps, and/or individuals (registered members grades K-12) must submit a mini grant proposal form to be considered. If awarded, project will receive \$75.00 towards project expenses. [GRANT REQUEST FORM](#)

Upcoming Community Partner Events

- **eVscope Event for Cadettes with Evansville Museum: Saturday, May 8**
[MORE INFO](#)
- **PAR IT Consulting Digital Photography Workshop for grades K-5, May 12**
[MORE INFO](#)

