

Girl Scout Gold Award Guidelines

Girl Scout Gold Award for girls in 9th-12th 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.

- 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 <u>Girl Scout Gold Award Girl Guide</u>. Her adult volunteer reviews the <u>Girl Scout Gold Award Adult Guide</u>.
- 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 will be held at the GSSI council office, 5000 E. Virginia Street, Evansville, IN 47715. Zoom interviews can be arranged if necessary.
- 6. The Girl Award Committee may do one of the following:
 - a. Approve the proposal, and the girl can begin the project. The status on GoGold will read Approved.
 - b. Conditionally approve the proposal, and the girl can begin the project with the changes agreed on by the girl and committee. The status on GoGold will read Approved.
 - c. Deny the proposal, if the project is not considered to be of sufficient scope for a Gold Award Project. The status on GoGold will read Needs Improvement.
- 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 and mentors will touch base regularly to discuss updates 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 held at the GSSI council office 5000 E Virginia Street, Evansville, IN 47715.
- 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.