Girl Scout Leadership Awards by Grade

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Leader in Action

JUNIOR AIDE

Junior Aide (4th & 5th Grade) This award is the first in a series of mentoring awards that girls can earn in Girl Scouts. The award is earned by helping at several Daisy or Brownie Girl Scout meetings while they are working on badges or a journey! Requirements/Pre-Requisites: No formal training is required; council

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(6th-8th Grade)
Girl Scout Cadettes can earn a
Leader in Action (LiA) Award
by mentoring Girl Scout Brownies
through a National Leadership
Journey. While earning the LiA
Award, Cadettes share their
unique skills, try out new
leadership roles, and pass on
important lessons from their own
Journey(s). **Requirements/Pre-Requisites:**No formal training is required;
council offers two information
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sessions a year for both coleaders (Cadette and Brownie) and Cadette Girl Scouts. Coleaders purchase awards when completed, Girl Scouts may earn multiple LiA awards for working with different journeys.

Program Aide (6th-8th Grade)

Cadettes learn valuable skills about being a mentor and sharing their skills, passions and experience with younger Girl Scouts! Program Aides have the unique opportunity to serve as champions for the Girl Scout Leadership Experience. All Cadettes in 6th-8th grade, are invited to attend Program Aide training on their way to completing the steps of the Program Aide Award. Core PA Training involves learning to work with children and adapting activities for special needs and situations. Cadettes will be putting their new skills to the test with some hands on activities that will prepare them for real life situations working with younger Girl Scouts in troop, day camp, council and service unit events.

Requirements/Pre-Requisites: Ideally Cadettes will have earned at least one LiA Award, to earn your PA Pin you must attend one of the four council sponsored trainings held each year and then plan 6 different activities working with younger Girl Scouts in a troop, council or service unit event. PA's should

Volunteer in Training

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(10th-12th Grade) Volunteers-in-Training (VIT) are Girl Scouts who have completed 9th grade who would like to mentor a Girl Scout Daisy, Brownie, Junior, or Cadette group outside of the camp experience (Girl Scouts in 10th-12th grade are eligible for this award). The skills learned are also applicable to everyday life and will help individuals become confident, effective leaders in everything they do. Becoming a Volunteer-in-Training is also a great résumé boost for youth and sets them up for success when going for their Gold! **Requirements/Pre-**

Requisites: Attend a council Volunteer in Training, training these are offered several times a year. Then find a

troop to work with throughout the school year.

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Day Camp Program Aide

(6th-8th Grade)

Spend two weeks at camp assisting in program aspects of summer camp, help with all-camp activities and in program areas.

Training will include; Core Program Aide training and specialized training in different areas of camp including arts and crafts, outdoor skills, STEM, and much more.

Participants in PA will be in a unit with other PA participants and will function for part of day as a unit participating in camp activities.



Counselor in Training 1 (9th-10th Grade)

Spend two weeks at sleepaway camp learning all about being a camp counselor assisting in the daily camper life at camp; and under the leadership of your Unit Leader you may lead unit programs, take on leadership of camper time activities at camp and more.

Training includes: Developing counselor skills, group development, working with homesickness, dining hall leadership, song leading, games and activities, outdoor skills. CITs will have the opportunity to rotate through all aspects of the camp day and different ages of campers.

CIT 1's will live in their own unit to allow for participation as a unit in some activities throughout the time at camp.



Counselor in Training 2 (11th-12th Grade)

Pre-Requisite: application and interview

Spend 3 – 4 weeks at camp assisting in daily camper life at camp, under supervision of camp staff. CIT 2's may take on a patrol of campers; and help with planning of daily camper schedules.

Training will include: Counselor Skills, Unit leadership, team building, group development, group facilitation, positive discipline and more. CIT 2's live in a unit with the age group they are working with separate from staff and campers, and will have the opportunity to also rotate through all aspects of the camp day and program areas.

Girl Scout Leadership Torch Awards

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Silver Torch Award (6th-8th Grade)

Cadettes earn this award by completing these two steps.

- 1. Complete one Cadette Leadership Journey.
- 2. Serve for one full term in a leadership position at your school, place of worship, library, town council, community center, after-school club, or a similar organization. For example, they might serve as a school yearbook editor, on a committee to organize youth events within their faith community, or on an event-planning board at the Girl Scouts. The length of their service will depend on the term specified by the organization or particular role.





Silver & Gold Torch Award

(9th-10th Grade) Seniors earn this award by completing these two steps.

- 1. Complete one Senior Leadership Journey.
- 2. Serve for one full term in a leadership position at their school, place of worship, library, town council, community center, after-school club, or a similar organization. For example, they might serve on a planning committee for graduation, co-teach a youth class at their place of worship, or serve on a Girl Scout board of directors. The length of their service will depend on the term specified by the organization or the particular position they hold.





Gold Torch Award (11th-12th Grade)

Ambassadors earn this award by completing these two steps.

- 1. Complete one Ambassador Leadership Journey.
- 2. Serve for one full term in a leadership position at their school, place of worship, library, town council, community center, afterschool club, or a similar organization. For example, they might serve on a planning committee for graduation, co-teach a youth class at their place of worship, or serve on a Girl Scout board of directors. The length of their service will depend on the term specified by the organization or particular position they hold.



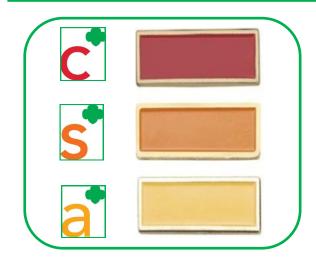


Girl Scout Service Bars

These can be earned at each level for Cadettes (6th-8th grade), Seniors (9th & 10th grade) & Ambassadors. (11th & 12th grade). Service hours should be accumulated during the years at that Girl Scout level.

Community Service Bar

To earn the Community Service bar, Girl Scouts first choose an organization they'd like to volunteer with. The organization will need to agree to give instructions about the work they'll be doing. Once they choose an organization, they must complete <u>at least 20 hours of service</u> to earn the appropriate level bar.



Service to Girl Scouting Bar

To earn the Community Service bar Girl Scouts choose to volunteer <u>at least 20 hours to the</u> <u>Girl Scout organization</u>, they can receive the appropriate level Service to Girl Scouting bar. For example, they might volunteer your time at a special event for younger girls, be an office assistant for your council or service unit or help with special projects.

