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Girl Scout

Cookie Program

Top 25 Entrepreneurs at Initial Order

Join us on GSMW's Facebook page on Friday, March 8th at 3:30 pm to see if any of your girls were the Top 25 Entrepreneurs in their state! They will receive the Limited-Edition Wand Charm!

Cookie Resources

Please check out the [GSMW Cookie Resources Page](#) for resources about entering Girl Payments, Delivery Ticket Printing and Best Practices, tools for upcoming booths and more! Reminder that Girl Delivery orders are available on Digital Cookie through April 14th! Get your printable [Additional Order Cards](#) for Girls are continuing to take orders and need new paperwork.

How Many Cases of Cookies Can You Carry?

Compact car23 cases
Hatchback car30 cases
Standard car35 cases
SUV60 cases
Station wagon 75 cases
Minivan 75 cases
Pickup truck 100 cases
Cargo van 200 cases



Cookie Boss
Limited Edition
Wand Charm!



IMPORTANT DATES

March 11 - 20

Troop Cookie Pickups

March 22 - April 14

Cookie Booths

April 14

Cookie Program Ends - Last Day for Booths

April 17

Troop Final Rewards Due in Smart Cookies by 11:59 PM

April 18

ACH Confirmation Email Sent to Troops

April 20

Deposit Money into Troop Bank Account

April 23

ACH Sweep - 70% of Amount Due

May 6

Outstanding Balance Forms & Receipts Due*

May 9

ACH Confirmation Email Sent to Troops

May 14

Final ACH Sweep - Remaining Balance Due

*If your Troop is paying the amount due to Council in full on the 1st ACH Sweep, please submit Outstanding Balance Forms prior to that date.

Cookie Delivery and Pickup

Get excited because cookies are coming! Below are steps for a smooth cookie pickup day.

Service Units

- ❑ On March 7th, check the cookie delivery dates in Smart Cookies to view the tentative delivery date for your Service Unit.
- ❑ Prepare to meet the delivery driver.
- ❑ Count and visually inspect all cases to note damages. DO NOT accept or sign for damaged cookies.
- ❑ Once you have the cookies delivered in full, you can arrange for Troop pickup.
- ❑ Using the [Dot Sheets](#) that were sent with paperwork, print two sets of [Dot Sheets](#) prior to troop pickups. [Click here](#) for the Dot Sheet template. These sheets will act as receipts.
- ❑ Schedule pickup times with Troops and once they arrive, have all cars associated with the Troop pull up together. Give the Dot Sheet to the Troop Leader.
- ❑ Count cases with the Troop Leader prior to loading the vehicle(s). When in doubt, recount!
- ❑ Both Troop Leader and SU Product Manager should sign both Dot Sheet Receipts.
- ❑ Give a Dot Sheet receipt to the Troop for their records and keep the other receipt for Service Unit Records.
- ❑ Following all Troop pickups, please send receipts to council by no later than March 30th.

(For more details, please look out for the March 6th Product Newsletter Email)

Troops

- ❑ When you hear from your Service Unit about cookie arrival, sign up for a Troop pick up time.
- ❑ Pickup your Troop's cookies from the Service Unit, then arrange times for Caregivers to pick up cookies.
- ❑ Run the Girl Initial Order report from Smart Cookies and print two copies to use as receipts. You may also use the receipt book you have been provided.
- ❑ Don't forget RECEIPTS, RECEIPTS, RECEIPTS! Whenever cookies or money exchanges hands, please fill out and complete a receipt; one copy for the Troop and one copy for the Caregiver.
- ❑ Count twice then have a caregiver sign for the product they pick up. When in doubt—RECOUNT! Once cookies have been signed for, they CANNOT be returned.
- ❑ If girls want to reach even higher goals after Initial Order, additional cookies will be available at local Cookie Cupboards across Council while supplies last. Please refer to the Troop Quick Guide for more information.

(For more details, please look out for the March 11th Product Newsletter Email)

Caregivers

- ❑ Your Troop Leader will be getting in touch with you about deliveries.
- ❑ When receiving product, count twice then sign for the total number of cookies requested at Initial Order. When in doubt—RECOUNT! Once cookies have been signed for, they CANNOT be returned.
- ❑ Caregivers take financial responsibility for cookies they sign for.
- ❑ If girls want to reach even higher goals after Initial Order, additional cookies will be available at local Cookie Cupboards across Council while supplies last.

(If you have any questions, please refer to your Troop Leader for more information) gsmw.org | 5



What is Meeting in a Minute?

This all-inclusive activity box is designed for your Daisy, Brownie, and Junior troops! Meeting in a Minute takes the guesswork out of preparing for your next troop meeting so you can spend less time planning and more time mentoring your girls!



Meeting in a Minute: Designing Robots

With this month's box, girls will earn their Robots 1: Designing Robots badge.

Girls will first identify a problem within their community that they wish to solve. They will then design a robot that can solve this problem and create a prototype. By earning this badge, girls will know how to plan, build, and share feedback like an engineer that helps other people or animals.

Pre-orders will begin March 1st to be shipped starting April 1st in the order in which they were received. Learn more here.

[PRE-ORDER NOW](#)



Meeting in a Minute: Girl Scout Week



Girls will complete a service project for senior citizens, create swaps celebrating the history of Girl Scouts, and make paracord bracelets while practicing their outdoor skills!

Girls will also receive the supplies needed to make mug cakes to complete their celebration.

[ORDER NOW](#)

Meeting in a Minute: Art and Design



Earning the Girl Scout Art and Design badge will teach girls how to find inspiration in daily life, learn different ways to create their artistic masterpieces, and encourage them to share their work with others. With this box, girls can make custom string art creations and a trefoil with the included templates.

[ORDER NOW](#)

College

Scholarships

College Scholarships

GSMW has a variety of college scholarships available to current Girl Scouts. We also provide links to other scholarship resources, so be sure to check out our [College Scholarship page](#) on the website. Spring opportunities include:

Herb Waltermire

(Cascade County only) - \$2,500

This scholarship is available to Girl Scouts who reside in Cascade County, MT and who are working on (or received) their Gold Award. Must demonstrate strong community service, leadership, and have a 2.75 GPA or higher.

University of Wyoming - up to \$1000

This scholarship is available to Girl Scouts who are enrolled at the University of Wyoming (high school seniors or college students may apply). Applicant must submit three letters of reference (one from an adult active in Girl Scouts), have demonstrated leadership and community service, and have a 2.75 GPA or higher.

Lucie P. Osburn - \$250

High school senior Girl Scouts or college students may apply for this leadership scholarship. Must demonstrate leadership and have community service experience. Three letters of reference (one from an adult active in Girl Scouts and a 2.75 GPA or higher is required).

Nancy Fifer - \$300

High school senior Girl Scouts whose field of study is of financial interest (banking, business administration with emphasis on finance, etc.) are encouraged to apply. Three letters of reference are required, one of which must be from someone in banking/finance industry.

Suzanne Salzmann

(Teton County only) - multi-year \$1,250

This scholarship is available to Girl Scouts who reside in Teton County, WY. Applicant must have strong community service and leadership experience and have a 2.75 GPA or higher. Preference is given to those working on or have received their Gold Award. Renewable for up to four years total.



**Deadline
to Apply is
April 15th**

Day Camp

Director Preparation

Volunteer Led Day Camps

While it is still winter, it's about time to start thinking about your volunteer-run summer day camps! Do you want to help our Girl Scouts become better people by hosting a Day Camp in your community? If you want to volunteer as an esteemed Day Camp Director, your contribution is very important – the girls will look up to you as a role model, teacher, and friend. Visit [GSMW's Volunteer-Run Day Camp web page](#) for information regarding policies and procedures to ensure your day camp is insured and safe!



To provide Day Camp Directors with support, GSMW requires our Day Camp Directors to complete three important steps:

- Download and review the [Day Camp Director's Manual](#). The manual holds policies and procedures for every Day Camp Director.
- Take the online [Day Camp Director Questionnaire](#). The questionnaire is meant to familiarize directors with the manual content. It is not a test. Day Camp Directors and Co-Directors should complete the online questionnaire every three years.
- After you complete the questionnaire, a GSMW representative will contact you to confirm your completion and help you prepare for your Day Camp. Once your day camp plans are solidified, GSMW will require an [online Day Camp Intent form](#) meant to help your camp meet GSMW's insurance standards.

Keep in mind that, new as of October 1st, 2023, Additional Insurance is no longer required for domestic camps, events, trips, and programs. While you do not have to purchase additional accident insurance, you may choose to purchase optional sickness insurance for your day camp.

We hope you find these resources helpful! Do not hesitate to reach out to customer care@gsmw.org with questions about Day Camp.

Alumna Spotlight



Kelsey Boggs

I joined Girl Scouts as a Daisy when I was six years old. I was in kindergarten and my dad's two sisters started a troop for my cousins and myself. I worked my way up to a Brownie and remember the ceremony like it was yesterday. I still remember going to our meetings and spending time with girls my age and learning new skills that weren't taught in school. We learned self-defense, outdoor survival skills, business practices and so much more at a young age. I feel much of my work ethic stems from being a Girl Scout, where I learned confidence, kindness, compassion, strength, and how to act in the professional world. Girl Scouts taught me to push myself to get out into the world and adventure!

Read more about Kelsey's Girl Scout experience [here!](#)

Brunton Partnership Discount Code



GSMW is excited to announce that we have partnered with Brunton, a female owned company based in Riverton, WY that designs and manufactures high quality, reliable compasses, transits, and exploration tools for all outdoor field pursuits.

They have graciously created a discount code for all GSMW members! Shop [online](#) and enter code **GSMW15** at checkout. This code is good for any quantity of items any number of times per customer!

Girl Scout Sunday Bulletin Insert



Girl Scout Sunday and Girl Scout Sabbath give girls an opportunity to attend their place of worship and be recognized as a Girl Scout.

Girls may perform a service, such as greeting, ushering, or doing a flag ceremony at their place of worship.

GSMW offers bulletin inserts for troops looking to share their Girl Scout experiences with their church community, whether digitally or by printing out the inserts provided.

Find the [Girl Scout Sunday Bulletin here!](#)

Bling Your Booth Contest



Calling all creative Girl Scouts! We're excited to announce that we're bringing back our Bling Your Booth contest! Girl Scouts and Troops who Bling their Booth will be entered to win GSMW Sweatshirts!

To enter the 2024 Bling Your Booth contest:

1. Decide on a fun theme for your cookie booths and start creating!
2. Snap a photo of your booth that showcases your Girl Scouts' hard work and creativity.
3. Share your favorite Cookie Booth photo on Facebook! In your post be sure to be sure include your troop number, tag Girl Scouts of Montana and Wyoming, and share the hashtag #2024gsmwbling. Make sure your post is set to public so we can find your entry.

Bling Your Booth photos can be shared March 22 – April 14. Winners will be announced on April 30th.

Cookie Time

Shop Merchandise

Place your cookie merchandise order by emailing shop@gsmw.org or calling 406-252-0488.

\$18



Cookie Boss Beanie

\$14



Reflective Vest

\$20



Vinyl Cookie Banner
36"x20.5"

\$7.50



Money Pouch

\$9



DIY Sign

\$8



Twist & Fold Sign

\$24



Cookie Booth Table Cloth - 72" x 108"