

Super Starter Checklist and Guidelines

Troop	Submitting Volunteer _	
Please	complete activities followin	g COVID safety guidelines

Membership

BE A STRONG AND SUSTAINABLE TROOP

- ✓ Have room for **at least 12** girls in your troop; keep your troop visible for new girl registration in the Opportunity Catalog if troop is less than 12 girls
- ✓ Have at least 2 unrelated adults registered and background checked

Volunteer Readiness

BE PREPARED

- ✓ Have a volunteer trained in First Aid/ CPR
- ✓ Have at least 1 volunteer complete the New Leaders Guide to Success and GSUSA Successful Leader learning Series trainings on gsLearn within 3 months of becoming a troop
- ✓ Host a parent meeting

Examples of what to discuss, depending on your troop's situation:

- Snack schedule/ sign up
- Methods of troop communication
- Any needed supplies that can be donated
- Uniform guidelines
- Ways adults can help
- Money any dues and goals
- Field trip and permission requirements
- Expectations for parents and girls including COVID safety guidelines



Troop Management:

GET ALL YOUR DUCKS IN A ROW

- ✓ Decide on a troop treasurer
- ✓ Open your troop bank account and submit your Bank Information and Agreement form
- ✓ Have the troop treasurer complete the Troop Finance Basics training on gsLearn
- ✓ Send a volunteer to attend 1 or more Service Unit meeting(s)
- ✓ Create a year plan on the Volunteer Toolkit (VTK)

Sisters Together

DO SOMETHING FUN

- ✓ Hold regular meetings
 Recommended frequency for D/B/J is weekly or bi-weekly for 1 hour, 1.5 hours if snack is involved
- ✓ Earn 2 Badges or petals, including 1 Cookie Badge or leaf

Our favorite badge/ petal activity was	1	171	27	
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✓ Experience **1 or more** field trip(s) or GS event(s)

Ideas of things to do outside of a troop meeting include:

- Visit a museum
- Attend a Service Unit event
- Attend a council event
- Check out a store or business that makes things and see what they do and how they do it (like DeBrand's Chocolate)

If visiting a business, check ahead of time for any COVID restrictions

We went/ we did this outside of our meeting place	
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- ✓ Hold **1** family event in the troop Examples include:
 - picnic in the park
 - community service project
 - virtual game night
 - family olympics where families challenge families with relays, etc. This could be done virtually too!

Our families had a blast doing this togethe	er	
✓ Participate in the Cookie Program		

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- ✓ Set goals with the troop for the Cookie Program. Here are examples of things to perhaps include in goal setting:
 - Craft and snack supplies
 - Partial or full renewal fees provided by the troop
 - Badges and pins
 - Field trips
 - Community service projects

Our troop goal was	

Outdoor Adventure

DO SOMETHING IN THE GREAT OUTDOORS

- ✓ Go outside and complete 1 or more activities. Examples:
 - Go play at the park
 - Visit a council camp
 - Take a hike
 - Go on a scavenger hunt
 - Go to the zoo
 - Complete an outdoor badge

*** Follow social distancing guidelines***

We can't wait to do this again!	
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Traditions and Celebrations

TAKE PART IN A PIECE OF GIRL SCOUT HISTORY!



Can one girl make the world a better place?
In Girl Scouts

she can!

✓ Participate in **1 or more** GS tradition(s)

Need ideas?? Here are a few:

- Learn and sing a GS song (check out gsLearn for a helpful song training!)
- Wear uniforms to a meeting, GS event, and/or a ceremony
- Plan and hold a troop ceremony
- Participate in a council ceremony
- Design and make S.W.A.P.S.
- Say the Promise & Law at a troop meeting or ceremony

Here is a link for further info on traditions - https://www.girlscouts.org/en/about-girl-scouts/traditions.html

Also check out our website for Tradition Tip Sheets for S.W.A.P.S., Sit-upons, and GS Handshake & Quiet Sign

Take Action!

DO A GOOD TURN

✓ Complete 1 community service project

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