

Girl Scout Bronze, Silver, and Gold Awards

Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee Information

While Bronze and Silver Award Take Action projects do not require pre-approval from the Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee, Gold Award Take Action projects do. Girls must submit a Gold Award Take Action project pre-approval form for review. Upon receiving pre-approval, girls will need to schedule an interview with the committee. Available dates for interviews are posted on our website at www.gsmidttn.org. At the conclusion of the interview, girls will be advised as to whether they may begin their Take Action Project, or if further work is needed.

All Take Action projects (Bronze, Silver and Gold) require final paperwork to be submitted to the Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee. Upon review of final paperwork, girls will be advised of the status of their project. If projects meet all criteria, girls will be eligible to receive the appropriate recognition. Bronze Award certificates are provided by the council. Bronze Award pins may be purchased from the shop with proper council documentation. Bronze Award ceremonies are done on a local level. Silver and Gold Award recognitions are provided by the council. Silver and Gold Award ceremonies are held at the council level.

We are committed to ensuring that every girl has a successful experience in pursuit of our highest awards. Should a Take Action Project be judged to not meet the quality standards set forth, we will work with girls and their advisors to assist them in bringing their project up to an acceptable level. We are available for consultations, advice and assistance at any time during the process.

Awards at a Glance

AWARDS	GIRL SCOUT BRONZE AWARD®	GIRL SCOUT SILVER AWARD®	GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD®
GRADE	Girls must be in 4th or 5th grades and a registered Girl Scout Junior	Girls must be in 6th, 7th, or 8th grades and a registered Girl Scout Cadette	Girls must be in 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grades and a registered Girl Scout Senior or Ambassador
OVERVIEW	Complete a Junior Journey Be part of a Troop or Group where girls take the lead Take action on a community issue the troop or group cares about Help and guidance provided by Troop/Group Volunteer Suggested minimum 20 hours *Council approval needed for any money earning	Complete a Cadette Journey Work as an individual or in a small group where girls take the lead Take action on a community issue that the girls care about Help and guidance provided by Troop/Group Volunteer Suggested minimum 50 hours for each Cadette. *Council approval needed for any money earning	Complete two Journeys (Senior or Ambassador) or Earn the Silver Award and complete one Senior or Ambassador Journey Individually girl led; girl selects and recruits Project Advisor Take action on a community issue the girl cares about Help and guidance provided by Project Advisor Suggested minimum hours to complete the steps to the Girl Scout Gold Award is 80 hours. Quality projects should be emphasized over

			<p>quantity of hours.</p> <p>*Council approval needed for any money earning</p>
TAKE ACTION PROJECT	<p>Group Take Action Project focuses on something the girls care about that they would like to improve within their Girl Scout or local community. Puts the Promise and Law into action</p>	<p>Individual or group Take Action Project that makes the local neighborhood or community better. Puts the Promise and Law into action</p>	<p>Individual Take Action Project that makes a lasting difference in the local community, region, or beyond. Puts the Promise and Law into action</p>
SUSTAINABLE	<p>After the project is complete, girls develop an understanding of sustainability by talking together about how solutions can be lasting.</p>	<p>Girls demonstrate an understanding of sustainability in the project plan and implementation.</p>	<p>Take Action Project includes provisions to ensure sustainability.</p>
GLOBAL	<p>After the project is complete, girls develop an understanding of the wider world by talking together about how others may experience the same problem that their project helped resolve.</p>	<p>Girls connect with new friends outside their immediate community, learn how others have solved similar problems, and determine if the ideas of others can help with their plan.</p>	<p>Girls identify national and/or global links to their selected issue. They learn from others and develop a plan to share the results of their project beyond the local community.</p>
RESOURCES	<p>Junior Journey Bronze Award guidelines in Girl's Guide to Girl Scouting and on GSUSA website Adult guide on GSUSA website Council learning opportunities</p>	<p>Cadette Journey Silver Award guidelines in Girl's Guide to Girl Scouting and on GSUSA website Adult guide on GSUSA website Council learning opportunities</p>	<p>Senior and/or Ambassador Journeys Gold Award guidelines in Girl's Guide to Girl Scouting and on GSUSA website Adult guide on GSUSA website Council learning opportunities</p>