

NEW LEADERS

Suggested Training and Program Guideline for the First Year

First Six Months

- Orientation/Age-level/Youth Protection training
- Girls learn Girl Scout Promise
- Girl awards:
 - Daisy - Promise Center and one to three petals
 - Brownies - one to two try-its
 - Juniors - one badge
 - Cadette/Senior Studio 2B - start one interest project patch/Focus book
- Handbook activities
- Review Council website for possible activities

Second Six Months

- Basic outdoor training
- Council program (See website: Volunteers and Parents: Leaders Only: Programs)
- Simple overnight, short field trip
- Girl awards:
 - Daisy - remaining petals
 - Brownies - two to three try-its
 - Juniors - two badges
 - Cadette/Senior Studio 2B - one to two interest project patches/Focus book
- Handbook activities
- Plan a ceremony and summer meeting schedule

DAISY

Required Courses

- Orientation: Introduction to Girl Scout leadership that must be completed before holding the first troop meeting.
- Daisy Age-level: Help increase your understanding of the developmental characteristics of 5 and 6 year old girls and how that impacts yearly troop planning.
- Youth Protection: Focuses on how to recognize, report, and prevent child abuse and neglect, as well as factual information about abuse and abusers, and resources for further information.

BROWNIE

Required Courses

- Orientation: See *description under Daisy*.
- Youth Protection: See *description under Daisy*.
- Brownie Age-level: Provides guidelines for introducing decision-making skills, using the four program goals as a planning tool, information on budgeting and funding sources for troop activities, characteristics of Brownie Girl Scouts, and using girl/adult partnerships to plan the troop year.
- *Troop Camp Basics: Provides skills to prepare girls for a simple overnight experience at camp in cabins or tents.

JUNIOR

Required Courses

- Orientation: See *description under Daisy*.
- Youth Protection: See *description under Daisy*.
- Junior Age-level: Provides techniques to encourage girls to try new decision-making skills. Topics include: characteristics of Junior Girl Scouts, planning with girls, safety and health issues and understanding funding of troop/group activities.
- *Troop Camp Basics: See *description under Brownie*.

CADETTE/STUDIO 2B

Required Courses

- Orientation See *description under Daisy*.
- Youth Protection See *description under Daisy*.
- Cadette/Studio 2B Age-level: Provides instruction on how to encourage teens to try new planning and leadership skills. Adults learn ways to serve as mentors to young teen Girl Scouts and give teens opportunities to learn by planning, implementing and evaluating activities on their own.
- *Troop Camp Basics: See *description under Brownie*.
- **Advanced Outdoor Adventure: Prepares leaders for adventures with girls in a primitive setting. Participants learn to plan a day trip from a base camp, backpacking basics and take an overnight backpacking trip.

SENIOR/STUDIO 2B

Required Courses

- Orientation: See *description under Daisy*.
- Youth Protection: See *description under Daisy*.
- Senior/Studio 2B Age-level: Teaches advisors several techniques to help teens plan and implement programs for their troops/groups. Adults learn skills to serve as coaches rather than troop leaders.
- *Troop Camp Basics See *description under Brownie*.
- **Advanced Outdoor Adventure: See *description under Cadette/Studio 2B*.

* Troop Camping Basics:

Required only if you plan to participate in a camping event in a cabin or tent.

** Advanced Outdoor Adventure:

Required to participate in this type of camping events.

Optional Courses/Events & Suggested Activities

- Service unit and/or local workshops (*Offered throughout the year.*)
- Leader Extravaganza
- Green Leaf workshops
- Check our website for additional workshop opportunities
- First-aid courses (*Required for physically demanding activities and other activities involving potential for injury.*)
- Girls should learn the Girl Scout Promise