

## Spread the Word about Girl Scouts and earn a patch!

Pick one activity from at least three of the categories below and complete it! Girls must complete three activities total or if girls refer a friend who actually becomes an official member, they will automatically earn it! Contact your Girl Scout staff member or email us at [bringafriend@gsnwgl.org](mailto:bringafriend@gsnwgl.org) to request any materials you need then tell us what you did and request your patch! Patches may be earned at anytime during the year.

### 1. Spread the Word!

- Use social media to spread the word about Girl Scouts! Work with your parents to use their social media accounts to share a picture of you doing your favorite Girl Scout activity and a message about why you enjoy being a Girl Scout. Then, ask them to volunteer or get the girls in their life involved too! Include a link to our council website and phone number ([www.gsnwgl.org](http://www.gsnwgl.org) | 888.747.6945). Also tag the council Facebook page (GSNWGL - Girl Scouts of the Northwestern Great Lakes) and use the hashtag #joinGSNWGL
- Hang up a Girl Scout Flyer on three community Bulletin Boards! Libraries, grocery stores, schools, and community centers are good places to hang them. You can download flyers here: [gsnw.gl/13o](http://gsnw.gl/13o) or request them from your Girl Scout staff member.
- Do you live on a busy street? Request a yard sign from your staff member and display it in your yard during the fall.
- Ask your staff person for information cards or flyers to hand out at school. Hand them out to girls and parents at the pick up area after school!

### 2. Speak Out!

- Ask your teacher if you can speak to the class for a few minutes about joining Girl Scouts. Tell everyone why you enjoy being involved and share some favorite activities, projects, or trips that you participated in. Consider bringing props such as something you made, your uniform, or photos. Ask your staff person for flyers or materials to hand out to girls who may want to join.
- Wear your uniform to school, church, or another community event, and talk to at least 10 people about why being a Girl Scout is awesome!
- Ask your principal if you can talk about Girl Scouts on the announcements. Ask your council staff person if they have an upcoming recruitment night you could announce and invite people to! If not, she could give you another very short message to read, or you can write your own.
- Ask your Girl Scout staff member if you can attend an upcoming Girl Scout recruitment event and talk about why you love Girl Scouts with the group!





### 3. Bring a friend

- Talk to your leader to make sure your troop is accepting new members. If so, invite a non-Girl Scout friend to your next meeting, so she can learn all about joining.
- Create an invitation or write a letter to someone you think would make a great Girl Scout and give it to them!
- Work with your troop to host a bring-a-friend party, with games, snacks, and Girl Scout fun!



### 4. Get creative

- Make a poster about joining Girl Scouts. Show the fun things you have done in Girl Scouts! Make sure to include the council phone number and website, so people can find out how to join. Then hang it up somewhere at school!
- Use sidewalk chalk and write and decorate a message about joining Girl Scouts somewhere in your community! Try to find a busy spot where lots of girls will see it!
- Work with your troop to make a mural, display, or bulletin board all about Girl Scouts. This could include art, posters, and information, as well as projects, photos, uniform pieces, and other interesting artifacts you have collected as a Girl Scout. Ask to display your creation at the local library or school.



### 5. Write all about it

- Create a commercial about joining Girl Scouts. Be sure to share it with others!
- Write a song or jingle about joining Girl Scouts.
- Write an article about joining Girl Scouts for your school or community newspaper!
- Write a letter or email to a friend, relative, or neighbor about why they should join Girl Scouts! Tell them about your own experience and share the opportunities that they could get involved in like camp, troop meetings, badges, and trips!



### 6. Be a mentor!

- Ask your staff person to help in leading crafts and games for younger girls at a recruitment night.
- Work with your troop to host a dive into Daisies party for new kindergartners.
- Teach a younger girl a skill you learned in Girl Scouts, and talk to her about how she can join!