

Spring Troop Wrap-Up Guide

It's time to reflect on the troop's accomplishments from the year and start planning for the next year!

Celebrate the Girls

Have a **Troop Celebration** to recognize the accomplishments of the girls and troop! Involve the girls in planning their celebration! This could be at a regular troop meeting or as an additional troop activity.

Share the troop's **Cookie Program Results**. Be sure to pass out rewards and Dakota Dough from the Cookie Program as soon as you are able.

Attend your **Service Unit's Recognition Event**.

Service units host a recognition event each year to present girl and adult awards. These events give girls the opportunity to see what they can strive for!

Hold a Bridging Ceremony if your girls are bridging to the next level this year. Bridging is a beloved Girl Scout tradition that honors girls' achievements throughout the year and celebrates "crossing the bridge" to the next Girl Scout level.

Bridging Guide

Check out the [Bridging Guide](#) for everything you need to know about awards and planning a ceremony!

Bridging Kits

Bridging Kits are available in retail stores and online.

Bridging Kits include age appropriate bridging patch, certificate, membership star pin and disc, pencil and fun patch.

National Bridging Week

Consider joining Girl Scouts all over the world and hold your own bridging ceremony June 12-19, 2021!

Watch for more information in the Girl Scouts Connected emails regarding GSUSA virtual events too.

Host a Spring Family Meeting

The spring family meeting is an opportunity to reflect on everything your troop has accomplished this past Girl Scout year and to check in with your families about what's in store for the upcoming year.

View the detailed [Spring Parent Meeting Agenda](#) or use the list below for topics to cover at this important meeting!

Troop Year in Review

- **Troop Recap:** Review the troop's activities and accomplishments from the past year!
- **Troop Finances:** Share the troop's annual financial summary to date and how the girls plan to use their recently earned Cookie Program proceeds.
- **Camp and Summer Plans:** Discuss troop summer plans. Be sure families also know that girls can attend camps even if the troop is not attending as a group! Visit [GSDH Health Updates](#) for information about in-person events/camps.

Looking Forward to Next Year

- **Membership Renewal:** Renew members in the spring to be ready for Back to Troop in the fall, and get some cool incentives too! Decide whether the Troop Co-Leader or the family is renewing girls.
- **Share ways families can be part of the adventure!** Invite caregivers to become approved volunteers and join the troop volunteer team.
- **Fall Back to Troop:** If your troop doesn't meet over the summer let families know when the troop will start holding meetings again in the fall.

Checklist

Complete this checklist to ensure your troop's Girl Scout year is wrapped up and full of adventure this summer.

- Ensure troop members are renewed by June 11 to receive [incentives](#).
- Renew your membership and all volunteer roles by June 1. If you are a Lifetime Member please remember to renew your volunteer roles!
- Submit the required Annual Finance Report through the Volunteer Toolkit (VTK) by June 15. Visit [gsLearn](#) for a training on Finance Reports.
- Submit the [Troop Intent Form](#) to update troop information for the 2021-22 year! This information is needed to accurately reflect the girl and volunteer openings in your troop, so new girls and volunteers can register directly into the troop online or be placed by council staff.
- Register girls for camp and plan for summer troop activities.
- Relax and soak up some sun! You've done a great job leading the troop this year!

New! Troop bank account signers need to also hold a Troop Treasurer role. Add the role when you renew!

Resources

[Spring Family Meeting Agenda](#)

Use the Family Troop Meeting Agenda to wrap up your troop's school year and get ready for another year of fun!

[Spring Renewal Troop Guide](#)

Troop Co-Leaders' go-to-guide on renewing membership for troop and household members.

[Spring Renewal Parent Guide](#)

Go-to-guide for parents on renewing Girl Scout memberships.

[Troop Intent Form](#)

Submit this form to let us know your troop plans for the 2021-22 Girl Scout year. This helps us know how many spots your troop has for new girls and volunteers to join the fun!

[Troop Finance](#)

Find all of our Troop Finance resources on our website.

[gsLearn](#)

Take volunteer trainings when they fit into your schedule. Access to [gsLearn](#) is through your MYGS login.

[Bridging Guide](#)

Use this guide to find all of your answers on what bridging is and how to plan a ceremony.

[Bridging Kits](#)

Make bridging even easier by purchasing a Bridging Kit that includes all of the must have items for girls bridging to the next age level.

[Event Listing](#)

View all of the upcoming council and service unit events taking place.

[Girl Scouts At Home](#)

Keep traveling on your Girl Scout adventure with badge kits, patch programs, community service, adventure boxes and more. See all the ways to participate and get started today!

[Shop](#)

Find the shopping option that best meets your needs.