



Follow the process below to earn the Girl Scout Gold Award and ensure that the integrity and standards of excellence of the highest award for Girl Scout Seniors and Ambassadors are met.

Girls are eligible to pursue the Gold Award if: they're in grades 9-12, registered as a Girl Scout Senior or Girl Scout Ambassador and have completed either:

- Option A: Complete the Girl Scout Silver Award and one Journey or
- Option B: Complete two Journeys

**NOTE: Completing a Journey means earning all the awards and Take Action Project in the Journey.**

Review GSWO's Gold Award Training: <https://youtu.be/sTYjvMmCgIk>

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**Start the Gold Award Proposal online** via link to GoGold at [gswo.org](https://gogold.girlscouts.org/en/sign-in.html) and submit to Girl Scouts of Western Ohio: <https://gogold.girlscouts.org/en/sign-in.html>

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Gold Award Committee reviews proposal and provides feedback on any necessary revisions or additions for approval.

**NOTE: Girls will be assigned a Gold Award Committee Coach.**

If any revisions are required for a project to meet the Gold standard, staff will mark project as "Needs Improvement" in GoGold to allow for edits. Make any necessary revisions (per the advice of the Gold Award Committee) and resubmit.

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Upon committee approval, staff will send an approval email. Girls are able to **start** their project **after approval** from the committee.

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Upon completing the Gold Award Take Action project, **submit the Gold Award Final Report online** via GoGold to Girl Scouts of Western Ohio.

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Present your Gold Award Final Report to the Gold Award Committee via in person or virtual meeting.

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Once final approval is given, girls will receive a congratulatory letter from council.



**Celebrate! Girl Scouts of Western Ohio will have a council-wide ceremony every March, where the girls receive their Gold Award pin and additional congratulatory letters. Feel free to plan more ceremonies (troop, individual, service unit).**

**NOTE:**

- No group projects
- Parents/troop leaders cannot be Gold Award advisors
- Girl Scouts of Western Ohio approval needed.
- Minimum 80 project hours
- In order to be recognized in the March council-wide ceremony, final report submission and committee approval must occur by December committee meeting.