

2026 GIRL SCOUT COOKIE PROGRAM FAMILY RESPONSIBILITY FORM

The Girl Scout Cookie Program is more than a fundraiser. It's the world's largest girl-led business, and a hands-on approach to teach girls 5 core *skills* (*Goal Setting, Decision Making, Money Management, People Skills, Business Ethics*) while they earn rewards and money to power Troop experiences. All proceeds from our Girl Scout Cookie Program stay local and benefit girls in Miami-Dade and Monroe counties.

Please read and discuss with your Girl Scout each statement below. These are requirements and expectations for your Girl Scout to participate in the Cookie Program.

- ❖ I will ensure my Girl Scout has adult supervision and follows safety rules at all times for Cookie Program activities. This includes ensuring online marketing and sales efforts are led by my Girl Scout, while also being supervised by a parent/caregiver. My Girl Scout and our family will review and adhere to the Girl Scout Internet Safety Pledge, Digital Cookie Pledge, Supplemental Safety Tips for Online Marketing, and Girl Scouts' Safety Activity Checkpoints for Computer and Internet Use.
- ❖ I will ensure my Girl Scout and our family follow GSUSA and GSTF ethics guidelines. This includes selling at the established Council prices, during published sale dates only, and conduct consistent with the Girl Scout Promise and Law.
- ❖ I will ask for, and obtain, a receipt for any cookies I pick up and payments I submit.
- ❖ I understand that I cannot exchange or return cookies (unless damaged), and I agree to accept full financial responsibility for all of the cookies that I order. If I anticipate needing assistance selling all our cookies, I will contact the Troop Cookie Manager as soon as possible and before the end of the sale.
- ❖ I will submit full payment for my Girl Scout's cookies to the Troop Cookie Manager by all required deadlines. All cookies obtained for my Girl Scout's sales will be paid for no later than the deadline given by the Troop Cookie Manager.
- ❖ I understand if I do not pay the full amount due for cookies by the deadline, my Girl Scout will forfeit any Girl Rewards and I may be subject to interest, collection, and/or attorneys' fees on top of the amount due.
- ❖ I agree to meet all the deadlines given by the Troop Cookie Manager during the Cookie Program.

We have read, understand, and agree with the above requirements and expectations.

Caregiver Signature

Girl Scout Signature

Visit www.girlscoutsfl.org and check out the Cookie Program Resources for more information about Cookie Badges and Pins, Rewards, Digital Cookie Tips, and more!

IMPORTANT COUNCIL DATES

Nov 21: Girls may begin taking pre-orders

Dec 5: Digital Cookie *tentatively* opens!

Caregivers will receive an email to register, set up girl site and start the online sale.

Jan 10: Cookie Pick-Up Day! Direct Sales and Booth Sales begin. Troop Cookie Manager will give instructions to pick up the cookies ordered.

Jan 10 – Feb 22: Work on Cookie Business Badges and the Cookie Entrepreneur Family Pin. Turn in cookie money regularly and pick up more cookies if needed. Help at Cookie Booths if you can.

Feb 22: Last day for Direct Sales, Cookie Booths, and Digital Cookie. Don't forget to review the rewards card and let the Troop Cookie Manager know of any rewards that need to be selected.



Digital Cookie lets girls create their own online business. Digital Cookie *tentatively* opens **December 5, 2025**. Caregivers will receive an email with the registration link.

Girls must first set up their online site. Then they can email previous customers, family and friends to promote their cookie business. Customers purchase cookies to be delivered in-person, pay for shipping to their home, and/or donate cookies to our Hometown Heroes.

The Digital Cookie mobile app can take credit card payments starting **January 10**, but your online store must be setup beforehand to use this contactless and convenient feature.



Our Hometown Heroes program is how we say thank you to our local and far away heroes. It is an easy way for customers to donate cookies to military, police officers, firefighters, EMTs, essential workers, healthcare workers, and others who serve our community.

Girls simply collect monetary donations. At the end of the cookie season, Troops and GSTF distribute the cookies to our heroes. We donated a sweet salute of 10,000+ packages of cookies to our Hometown Heroes in 2025 – *Thank you!*

MEET THE COOKIES

Girl Scout Core Cookies - \$6



Adventurefuls



Trefoils



Exploremores



Tagalongs



Samoas



Lemon-Ups



Do-Si-Dos



Thin Mints

Girl Scout Specialty Cookie - \$7



Toffee-tastics

Cookie Entrepreneur Family Pins

Cookie Program is more fun with family! The year-by-year Cookie Entrepreneur Family pin allows families to support their girls in learning the five skills and encourages girls to think like entrepreneurs. Girls can earn all 13 pins in the collection – one unique pin for every year they participate!



Learn more about the pin collection at girlscouts.org/entrepreneurfamily