

5 STEPS TO TRAINING SUCCESS

With our online **Volunteer Learning Portal** (training.gsnorcal.org), it's easy to work through your Troop Leader training from the comfort of your couch! Before your first troop meeting, you'll need to complete these quick online trainings to get you ready to work with girls and adults:

1. WELCOME TO GSNORCAL (15–20 MIN)

Starting a troop for the very first time? We've got you covered with this introduction to your council, Girl Scouts of Northern California! In this course, you'll learn all about our organization, including our structure, values, and history, and how GSNorCal will help and support you every step of the way.

2. GIRL SCOUT PROGRAM OVERVIEW (15–20 MIN)

We know that today's Girl Scouts are G.I.R.L.s (Go-getters, Innovators, Risk-takers, Leaders)TM—in fact, it's at the very core of our Girl Scout DNA! In this course, you'll learn all about Girl Scouts' time-tested strategies to support girls and your role in bringing the Girl Scout Leadership Experience to life.

3. GETTING ADULTS TO HELP (10–15 MIN)

Say it with us: "On my honor, I will try, not to do this alone!" A successful Girl Scout troop has lots of help, and lucky for you, your troop parents are the perfect place to start! Many hands make light work, so take this course to learn all about the various troop volunteer roles, how you can recruit other adults to help, and the resources available to make it happen.

4. PROGRAM LEVEL TRAINING —“CHARACTERISTICS” (5–8 MINS PER AGE LEVEL)

d **DAISIES** (Grades K–1) **b** **BROWNIES** (Grades 2–3) **j** **JUNIORS** (Grades 4–5)

c **CADETTES** (Grades 6–8) **s** **SENIORS** (Grades 9–10) **a** **AMBASSADORS** (Grades 11–12)

What's the difference between a Daisy and an Ambassador? What does "girl-led" mean for Juniors? Do Cadettes and Seniors wear the same uniforms? In these courses, you'll learn about the characteristics of girls at every age level, as well as the badges, Journey awards, and uniform basics your girls will need to get started.

5. OPENING YOUR BANK ACCOUNT (15–20 MIN)

Ready to start funding your troop's adventures? We've got your back! Let us help you make cents of the process for opening a bank account and the requirements for bank account signers—we'll even share all our tips and best practices for how and when to fund your account.

New to starting a Girl Scout troop and not sure where to start? Check out www.gsnorcal.org/start for a full breakdown, from requesting a troop number to hosting your first meeting!

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