Volunteer Toolkit Tips
2021 – What’s New?

The Girl Scout Volunteer Toolkit (VTK) is a great tool to access the newest Girl Scout Program content. GSUSA has rolled out several new Badge and Journey tracks for your girls to choose from. Some of the new badge and Journey requirements are only accessible through the VTK. This short tip sheet will give an overview of the newest content available.

1. What are Journey Tracks?

Each Journey track is pre-populated with up to 15 meetings (6 for Multi-Level). A Journey is not complete until girls have completed the requirements for both the Journey and a Take Action Project. Each Journey track comes pre-populated with supplemental badges that complement the Journey. If girls have already earned or are not interested in one or more of the supplemental badges, they can be replaced with other available badges. Refer to the How to Choose and Customize Your Year Plan Tip Sheet to learn how.

2. What are the New Badges?

- Life Skills – Civics badges for Daisy, Brownie, Junior, Cadette, Senior, and Ambassador
- Entrepreneurship – Entrepreneur badges for Daisy, Brownie, Junior, Cadette, Senior, and Ambassador
- STEM Badges – Automotive Engineering for Daisies, Brownies, and Juniors
- STEM Badges – Career Exploration for Brownies, Juniors, and Cadettes
- Awards – 2021 World Thinking Day and 2021 Global Action Award
2. **What are the New Badges?**

Several new badges have been added to the VTK. Check out GSUSA’s [Badge Charts](#) and [Badge Explorer](#) to learn more about the badges that are available and to help your girls choose the badges they would like to work on.

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**NOTE:** New badges and Journeys are often added to the VTK. Check the VTK to view all that is available.

Check out the [Badge Explorer](#) to preview the requirements for all badges and Journeys.
3. What are the New Awards?

2021 Global Action Award: Climate Action
The Girl Scout Global Action Award calls for girls to address the United Nations’ Sustainable Development Goals by discovering, connecting, and taking action in their communities and the world. This year's award goal focuses on climate action.

The Global Action award is an official national award, so Girl Scouts® can wear it on their vest or sash.

2021 World Thinking Day Award
Every year, Girl Scouts® and Girl Guides around the world celebrate February 22 as a day of international friendship called World Thinking Day. The 2021 theme for World Thinking Day is “Peacebuilding.” To earn this award, girls will explore the theme's meaning and plan and carry out a Take Action project that makes a difference.

4. How to Access New Content

**LOG IN TO VTK**
1. Login to the [Volunteer Toolkit (VTK)](https://www.vtkgirlscouts.org)
2. You can access it from the “MyGS” link at the top of our website.
3. Login using your GS Member Community login. When you completed your registration and background check to become a troop leader, you were sent an email welcoming you to the MyGS Member Community with information to set up your account. Need help? Contact member services: [info@gsnorcal.org](mailto:info@gsnorcal.org) or 800-447-4475.
CHOOSE A TRACK

- Select a track from the “EXPLORE” tab.
- You can choose Pre-selected Tracks by clicking “VIEW POPULAR TRACKS.” Here you can preview all pre-selected year plans.
- Or you can choose to Build Your Own by selecting “START ADDING PETALS, BADGES OR JOURNEYS” to start from scratch.
- See the Customizing Your Year Plan Tip Sheet for more information.
- Look for this NEW icon to see new badge and Journey Tracks available.

ADD/REPLACE CONTENT

To access the new badges, Journeys, and awards, you will first need to make sure you have a track selected. Then go to the “YEAR PLAN” tab, and select “ADD BADGE/JOURNEY” or “Search to Add a Petal, Badge or Journey Meeting.”

Use the search box to search for a specific badge, Journey or award OR click “Use Filters” to choose your program level(s) from the Meeting Library.

1. Choose the program level or levels – meetings for all program levels are available.
2. Select “Badges/Petals,” “Award Earning,” or “Journey” as the type of meeting.
3. Choose your categories – Look for the NEW icon.
4. Click on “VIEW LIST.”

TIP: You can select multiple meetings. Be sure to add all meetings for a badge/Journey/Award (ex. Add Cabin Camper 1 and Cabin Camper 2) to meet the requirements to earn the badge Note: For Journey options, you must select ALL badge meetings required for the Journey and ALL 3 Take Action meetings.

PURCHASE PRINTED or DIGITAL COPIES

There are two options.

1. You can purchase a printed booklets of badge requirements at some of our local GSNorCal stores or through our online stores.
   - Prices range from $2.50 and $5.00
2. You can purchase a digital copy of the badge requirements through our online store and download it after purchase.
   - Prices range from $0.99 and $1.99