



Program Patches 411

Girls love to earn badges and Journey awards they can display on their uniforms. But that's not all—there are patches too!

Patches can celebrate a troop activity like: a trip to the skating rink or a sleep over in the leader's basement.

Girls can also earn patches by completing programs unique to our Council: explore the Nation's Capital, learn about African-Americans in Congress or how to be safe when outdoors in the sun.

Upon completion of the program, girls can purchase the patch from our Shop. Girls from any Council are welcome to participate and order their patches from our Council Shop.

Patch booklets can be downloaded from www.gscnc.org.

	<p>African-Americans in Congress - Challenges girls to explore contributions made to history by black leaders and to learn advocacy strategies in order to make a difference in their communities. (C, S, A)</p>
	<p>Be a PAL - Developed with the Food Allergy Network to raise awareness about food allergies. (J, C, S, A)</p>
	<p>Be Prepared: Emergency Preparedness - Equips Girl Scouts with skills to protect their families, friends and communities when disaster strikes. (ALL)</p>
	<p>CHICAS: Discovering Hispanic Heritage - Girl Scouts of all cultures develop an understanding and appreciation of the culture of Hispanic/ Latin Americans through Discovery, Connection, and Action. (ALL)</p>
	<p>Coles Trip Treasures - Explores the unique history and habitats at Camp Coles Trip and how camping habits minimize environmental impact. Program kit available at Camp Coles Trip. (B, J, C, S, A)</p>
	<p>Sun Safety - Promotes early learning about the steps girls can take to protect themselves from the sun's harmful ultraviolet rays, and encourages them to pledge to educate others about practicing smart sun behavior and skin cancer prevention. (ALL)</p>

	<p>Gift of Trees - Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital (GSCNC) and the National Cherry Blossom Festival have developed the Gift of Trees patch program.</p>
   	<p>Discover the Nation's Capital - Encourages girls to explore points of interest throughout Washington, D.C. This patch is the middle of the sampler and three segments are available to earn and wear around the center patch. (ALL)</p> <p>Gardens Segment - Explores gardens throughout Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Statuary Segment - Explores statues throughout Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Transportation Segment - Encourages girls to learn about various modes of public transportation in Washington, D.C.</p>
	<p>Grow Strong - Provides resources and activities that instill in girls the habits that will influence their emotional and physical health for the rest of their lives. (B, J, C, S, A)</p>
	<p>GSCNC Summer Fun - Provides encouragement, structure and recognition to girls who do Girl Scout activities during the summer. (B, J, C, S, A)</p>
	<p>Honor Troop - Earned annually by troops that meet specific requirements in the areas of membership recruitment and retention, adult leadership, girl program and financial management.</p>
	<p>Including ALL Girls - Educates girls about inclusion and how they can include girls with disabilities in all aspects of Girl Scouts. The patch program will heighten Girl Scouts' awareness, understanding and acceptance of people's differences and disabilities. (ALL)</p>
	<p>Potomac Woods RiverWalk - Educates girls on the importance of preserving and managing natural resources while inspiring them to spend time outdoors. (ALL)</p>
	<p>Super Service Unit - Earned annually by service units that meet specific requirements in the areas of recruitment and retention of service unit team members, support of troop leaders/advisors, support of the council's goals and financial management.</p>
	<p>Your Own Sports Program - Sports Awareness - Designed to meet the interests and abilities of girls at all ages. (ALL)</p>
	<p>Intellectual Property - Girls explore the concepts of copyright and trademark while working on the Innovation badges. (B, J, C, S)</p>
	<p>Water Drop - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has developed a new Water Drop patch program. This program allows girls of all levels to participate and explore our wonderful natural resource, WATER. It is a great supplement to the Brownie Journey WOW! Wonders of Water. (D, B, J, C, S, A)</p>