Girl Scout Experience Box | Frequently Asked Questions

The Girl Scout Experience Box (GSEB) provides Daisy and Brownie troop leaders with a monthly supply box that includes everything they need to have fun and fulfilling troop meetings. This complimentary resource follows the <u>Daisy First Year Troop Plan</u> and the <u>Brownie First Year Troop</u> <u>Plan</u> and be delivered directly to one troop leader per troop. Contact <u>info@gshnj.org</u> to learn more!

The Basics

What is the Girl Scout Experience Box?

The Girl Scout Experience Box program provides leaders of first-year Girl Scout Daisy (grades K–1 in the 2025/2026 school year) and first-year Brownie (grades 2-3 in the 2025/2026 school year) troops with an amazing resource. Starting in August 2025, these troop leaders can receive a monthly supply box filled with step-by-step instructions, ready-to-go supplies, and thoughtful script suggestions. This complimentary resource will follow the <u>Daisy First Year Troop Plan</u> and the <u>Brownie First Year Troop Plan</u> and be delivered directly to troop leaders.

What comes in the box?

Each box contains a meeting guide with activity outlines and thoughtful script suggestions. Supplies needed to complete each activity, such as kid-friendly scissors, crayons, and paper plates, are also included. You'll have everything you need to feel confident leading your Girl Scout meeting and build a stock of durable supplies you can use in future meetings!

Are the boxes available in languages other than English?

Yes! We're thrilled to offer the Girl Scout Experience Box in English and Spanish. You can request Spanish materials on the order form.

How can I get started?

For new Daisy or Brownie troops: Simply complete our <u>new troop request</u> to get your Girl Scout Daisy or Brownie troop started and we'll be in touch with next steps!

For second year Daisy troops that did not participate in the Girl Scout Experience Box

program in their first year: Contact GSHNJ staff at <u>info@gshnj.org</u> to discuss if the Girl Experience Box program is a good fir for your troop. If your troop already completed Daisy Petals in your first year, this resource may not be helpful for you. If your troop will be working on their Daisy Petals in their second year of Daisies, Girl Scout Experience Boxes may suit your needs.

For existing Daisy troops that are bridging to Brownies in the fall: Contact <u>info@gshnj.org</u> for guidance on how to qualify and register to receive Brownie-level Girl Scout Experience Boxes.

My troop isn't a Daisy or Brownie troop. Can we still participate?

The Girl Scout Experience Box is built to support the <u>Daisy First Year Troop Plan</u> and the <u>Brownie</u> <u>First Year Troop Plan</u>, so the program isn't appropriate for other program levels. We encourage you to chat with a GSHNJ team member at <u>info@gshnj.org</u> about all the resources available to volunteers to help you create an awesome troop year.

Are all new Daisy and Brownie troops required to participate?

No, troops are not required to participate. Connect with a member of GSHNJ staff at <u>info@gshnj.org</u> to learn more about the resources available to Girl Scout volunteers and determine if this program is the right fit for you and your troop.

Can I just buy the boxes?

No, the Girl Scout Experience Box is a complimentary resource and boxes are not for sale.

How much does it cost?

Girl Scout Experience Boxes are complimentary and provided at no cost to eligible volunteers.

Details for Participating Troops

What are the requirements to participate?

This is for Daisy and Brownie troops. Daisy troops include Girl Scouts entering kindergarten and/or first grade in the 2025/2026 school year and are participating together for the first time. New Brownie troops include Girl Scouts entering second and/or third grade in the 2025/2026 school year and may be participating together for the first time or be newly transitioned to Brownies. To be eligible to receive boxes, troops must first:

- o register at least four new Daisy or Brownie Girl Scouts and two adult volunteers; and
- complete the required order form, available from Girl Scouts Heart of New Jersey.

Multilevel troops may qualify provided they have met the above registration requirements. Multilevel troops may contact <u>info@gshnj.org</u> to learn more.

Second year Daisy troops may qualify if they have not already earned their Daisy Petals and will be following the <u>Daisy First Year Troop Plan</u> in Year 2. Contact <u>info@gshnj.org</u> to learn more.

Where and when will my boxes be delivered?

Boxes will be delivered to one troop leader per troop at the address provided when you complete the required order form. They will begin shipping in August 2025 to troops who have met the eligibility requirements.

What should I do with my troop while I wait for my first box to arrive?

This is a great time to get to know your Girl Scouts and their families! Find time to play together at a local park, check out <u>council-led events</u> and camps, or try one of our <u>Girl Scout activities</u>.

How many Girl Scouts will I receive supplies for? What if I add more Girl Scouts to my troop?

Each box contains enough supplies to serve all Girl Scouts in your troop, and likely some extra supplies you can save for future meetings. Troop registration counts are updated with each shipment, so you'll have enough supplies as your troop grows. Want to invite more friends to join the fun? Use the "Invite Friends" link on the My Troop(s) tab in <u>myGS</u>! Contact <u>info@gshnj.org</u> for additional recruitment resources and support with building your troop.

Will I receive all the boxes?

Every troop will receive the Welcome Box first, followed by the next box in the series. Each box is sent for a limited amount of time. Participating troops will receive <u>up to</u> eight boxes, including their Welcome Box. To qualify to receive all eight boxes, troops must meet eligibility requirements and register for their boxes by October 27, 2025.

Can I skip a box or change the order in which I receive them?

No, we're not able to change the order in which you receive your boxes. You may, however, choose to use them in a different order, add other programming your Girl Scouts are interested in, or wait to use a box at a different time of year. Have more questions about planning your troop year? Please reach out to GSHNJ at <u>info@gshnj.org</u> —we are here to support you!

Additional Questions

I haven't received any boxes. What do I do? Contact <u>info@gshnj.org</u> for support with shipping issues.

I have feedback about the boxes. Who can I talk to?

We appreciate it! Please <u>contact us</u> to share your thoughts.