

GSNEO Council Trained Volunteer Program



The GSNEO Council Trained Volunteer Patch Program recognizes volunteers who commit to comprehensive training that enhances their leadership and knowledge. Designed to ensure a well-rounded volunteer experience, this program helps participants develop the skills necessary to guide and support both girl and adult members of Girl Scouts. Volunteers qualify for the Trained Volunteer patch by successfully completing courses that explore key principles and practices of Girl Scouting. This program is intentionally challenging to prepare volunteers to create meaningful, high-quality experiences for all members they serve.

GSNEO Trained Volunteer Patch Requirements

To earn the GSNEO Trained Volunteer patch, volunteers must complete the following required courses. *At least one required course must be completed on or after May 1, 2025. Volunteers can begin to take courses at any time. Courses completed before this date will still count, provided the final required course is finished after May 1, 2025*

- New Leader Orientation (live Zoom class)
- Welcome to the Service Unit (in-person with local volunteers)
- New Troop Training Learning Path (found in gsLearn)
- Troop FUNdamentals (choose preferred age level)
- Volunteer Toolkit - How To
- CPR/First Aid Certification (current and on file with GSNEO)

How to Earn Category Rocker Patches:

Volunteers can earn category rocker patches by completing 10 hours of training in each of the following categories:

- Traditions
- STEM
- Healthy Living
- Community Engagement
- *Required:* No Prob Llamas: Conflict Resolution for Adults OR She Said What?!?!? Resources for Handling Sticky Situations
- The Arts
- Outdoor

Segment Requirements:

- Some categories require a specific class or allow a choice of required courses to complete that segment.
- Required classes count toward the total hours needed.
- Volunteers earn a category rocker for completing the required number of class hours in each category.
- Rocker categories can be completed in any order. Volunteers can choose to earn none, one, some, or all rockers.

Effective Date:

- Volunteers may begin taking courses at any time.
- To qualify for the category rocker patch(s), at least one required course must be completed on or after May 1, 2025.
- Courses completed before this date will still count, provided the final required course is finished after May 1, 2025.

How to Submit for Patches

To receive the GSNEO Trained Volunteer Patch and category rockers, volunteers must:

1. Complete the GSNEO Trained Volunteer Patch Form [by visiting here](#).
2. Submit it along with a copy of “blue card” or other supporting documentation.

For more information, visit our Volunteer Training page [here](#).

