

Activity Scholarship Application for Girls

Instructions (see detailed guidelines on next page)

1. Submit one application per girl per activity.
2. Allow a minimum of three weeks for processing.
3. Application must be completed entirely and signed by a parent or guardian to be considered.
4. Eligibility rules apply to all applications, see details on page 2.
5. Contact the Answer Center with any questions at 314.400.4600 or answercenter@girlscoutsem.org.

1. Full name of girl: _____ Current Grade: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Day Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____
Adult Email: _____
2.

Parent/Guardian Full Name	Occupation	Employer
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3. Total People in Household: _____ Ages of each Dependent Child in Family: _____
If you have other children applying for a scholarship, please list their names: _____
4. Please indicate which product programs the applicant has participated in within the last year:
___ Fall Product program ___ Cookie program ___ Neither, please explain: _____
5. Check the range of your total household gross income over the last year (include all sources of income, pre-tax, such as employment, child support, unemployment, disability, social security, public assistance, etc.):
___ \$0 - \$19,999 ___ \$40,000 - \$49,999 ___ \$70,000 - \$79,999 ___ \$100,000 - \$109,999
___ \$20,000 - \$29,999 ___ \$50,000 - \$59,999 ___ \$80,000 - \$89,999 ___ \$110,000 - \$119,999
___ \$30,000 - \$39,999 ___ \$60,000 - \$69,999 ___ \$90,000 - \$99,999 ___ Over 120,000
6. Last Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri scholarship award received: Date: _____ Amount: _____
7. Is there a special circumstance you would like us to consider when processing this request? _____
8. Activity for which a scholarship is being requested (a separate form is required for each activity):
Name of activity (program/camp/event): _____
Date(s) of activity: _____
Cost of activity or program: \$ _____
9. All scholarships require that a portion of the program cost be paid by the girl's family and/or troop. Please enclose the amount you can contribute at this time. You will be notified of your remaining balance due once the scholarship award decision has been finalized.
Amount enclosed: \$ _____
Scholarship amount requested: \$ _____

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian: _____ Date: _____

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Calc: _____ Amt Approved: \$ _____ Due: \$ _____ Date Due: _____ Emailed _____ Task _____
Processing Staff Initials: _____ Approving Staff Initials: _____ Date: _____

Activity Scholarship Guidelines

1. General information

- Financial need-based scholarships are available for girls who do not have the funds to participate in a Girl Scout program, to ensure that programs and camps are accessible to all girls.
- Girl Scouts' non-discrimination policy applies to the awarding of all Activity Scholarships.
- All details concerning financial assistance requests are kept confidential.

2. Eligibility

- The applicant must be a registered Girl Scout member in Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri and accepted into a program before activity scholarship application is considered.
- Activity scholarships are only available for events or programs with registration fees of more than \$10.
- Applications must be received at the Girl Scout Service Center no later than the program registration deadline
- Applications must be signed by the applicant's parent or legal guardian.
- Activity scholarships are non-transferable, valid only for the girl and specific program for which they are awarded.
- Applicants and families with outstanding balances are not eligible for scholarship assistance until open balances are paid.
- All girls are subject to an activity scholarship maximum of \$150 per year per Girl Scout for all programs and camps except resident camp, council travel and *destinations*.
 - Resident camp: limited to one resident camp per girl per year.
 - Council travel programs: limited to one trip per girl per year.
 - *destinations*: limited to one *destinations* scholarship in a girl's entire Girl Scout career. These scholarship applications may require additional supplemental information.

3. Activity scholarships are available for registration fees for girl participants for the following:

- Council sponsored programs and camps
- District or Neighborhood events, within council jurisdiction
- *destinations*

Scholarships are not available for:

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| • Adult participation in girl events | • District or Neighborhood travel | • Troop dues |
| • Awards or insignia | • Out of Council Girl Scouts | • Troop travel |
| • Books and materials | • Troop camping | • Uniform items |

4. Financial information

- Scholarships are awarded on an individual basis based on family need, and are not designed to underwrite event costs for an entire troop.
- Award calculations are based on financial need and the Federal Poverty Level.
- Scholarships are designed to supplement individual family resources, not replace them. A portion of the cost must be paid by the girl's family and/or troop. Any amount contributed allows us to serve more girls.
- Product programs help offset the costs of activity scholarships; girl participation will be taken into consideration when awarding financial assistance.
- Additional information may be required to process each request, potentially including a phone interview, proof of income, and/or proof of dependents.
- Scholarships are not retroactive; if payment was already received prior to scholarship application, the scholarship will be nullified.

5. Submission instructions

- Submit completed Activity Scholarship Application form with the activity registration form to the Girl Scout Service Center, unless the following exceptions apply:
 - For District and Neighborhood events, the scholarship application is sent to the Service Center, but the program registration form must be sent to the event registrar (not Council).
 - For resident camps with a deposit, reserve the desired camp online (a \$50 deposit is required), then mail the Scholarship Application to the Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri Service Center at address: 2300 Ball Drive, St. Louis, MO 63146. For resident camps with no deposit, the application should be sent prior to payment.

6. Scholarship notification

- Once a scholarship award decision has been finalized, the applicant will receive an email with the award amount and amount still due, including a deadline for payment.
- Any balance due must be paid by the deadline given, or the scholarship will be forfeited.

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