

GSCSNJ BINGO Challenge – Frequently Asked Questions

Who can participate?

Any registered Girl Scout in grades K–12 may participate, whether you're a member of a troop or a Juliette (independent Girl Scout).

Do I have to live in New Jersey?

The challenge is intended for registered Girl Scouts. While it is designed and hosted by GSCSNJ, participation is not limited by council membership. However, all recognition and celebrations will be hosted by GSCSNJ within our council jurisdiction. Prize items will not be mailed to individuals.

When does the challenge begin?

The challenge officially begins **October 1, 2026**, and ends **April 30, 2027**.

Can I count activities I completed before October 1, 2026?

No. To keep the challenge fair for everyone, only activities completed between **October 1, 2026, and April 30, 2027** are eligible.

Do I have to complete the entire board?

Not at all! There are three prize levels:

- Earn 3 BINGOs
- Earn 5 BINGOs
- Clear the entire board

The more you complete, the more you earn!

What if I'm a Juliette?

Great! Juliettes are encouraged to participate and are eligible for all prizes earned.

How do I submit my completed board?

Complete your board and submit it by **11:59 PM (ET) on April 30, 2027** to:

GSCSNJBINGO@GSCSNJ.org

Detailed submission instructions will be shared before submissions open.

Can I submit my board more than once?

No. Each participant may submit **one official entry**. Be sure your board is complete before submitting it. Only your first submission will be processed.

Some activities can't be verified. How does that work?

Some squares are completed on the **Girl Scout Honor System**. We trust every Girl Scout to live by the Girl Scout Promise and Law by being honest when reporting completed activities.

Will I need to submit proof?

Some activities may require photos or other documentation, while others may simply require you to confirm completion. Submission requirements will be shared before the challenge begins on 10/1.

When will prizes be awarded?

Prizes will be distributed after submissions have been reviewed and verified. More details will be announced in Fall 2026.

Where will the exclusive celebration dinner be held?

Dinner locations will be selected after eligible participants have been identified. Multiple regional celebrations may be offered within the GSCSNJ council footprint to make attendance easier. Events are expected to take place during **June–July 2027**.

Can family members or troop leaders complete activities for me?

No. The challenge is designed for each Girl Scout to complete her own activities. Family members, caregivers, and troop leaders are encouraged to cheer you on and support your journey, but the accomplishments should be your own.

What happens if someone doesn't follow the rules?

To keep the challenge fair for everyone, GSCSNJ reserves the right to disqualify submissions that are incomplete, inaccurate, or do not meet the official guidelines.

Can one activity count for more than one BINGO square?

Yes! We encourage you to **play smarter, not harder**. If one activity legitimately fulfills the requirements of multiple BINGO squares, you may count it toward each applicable square. For example, if you attend a STEM program and create a photo or reel while you're there, you may receive credit for both squares—as long as you've completed the requirements for each one.

Who counts as a "community leader" for this BINGO square?

A community leader is someone who serves, supports, or helps lead your community. This could include elected officials, school leaders, first responders, military members, nonprofit leaders, business owners, faith leaders, librarians, park rangers, or other individuals who make a positive impact where you live. Examples include a mayor, city council member, state legislator, superintendent, principal, police officer, firefighter, EMT, sheriff's officer, or parks department employee.

The person doesn't have to hold an elected office—what matters is that they play a meaningful leadership or service role in the community.

What if I register for a Girl Scout program before April 30, but the event takes place later?

That's okay! If a BINGO square requires participation in a Girl Scout program, you'll receive credit as long as you **register for the program by April 30, 2027**, even if the event takes

place after the challenge ends. To qualify, the program must occur **within the 2026–2027 Girl Scout membership year (October 1, 2026–September 30, 2027).**

I still have a question!

We're happy to help! Contact us at **CustomerCare@GSCSNJ.org**, and a member of our team will get back to you. Use the subject line 'BINGO' for faster assistance.

Official Rules & Guidelines

Welcome to the **GSCSNJ BINGO Challenge!** We can't wait to see all the amazing adventures you'll have this Girl Scout year. Before you begin, please read the guidelines below to make sure you're eligible to earn prizes.

Who Can Participate?

The GSCSNJ BINGO Challenge is open to **any registered Girl Scout in grades K–12**, whether you participate with a troop or as an independent **Juliette**.

To be eligible for prizes, participants must have an **active 2026–2027 Girl Scout membership** during the challenge period.

Challenge Dates

Starts: October 1, 2026

Ends: April 30, 2027

All activities must be completed during the official challenge period.

How to Play

- Download your official GSCSNJ BINGO Challenge board.

- Complete activities to earn BINGO(s) and work toward clearing the entire board.
- Each activity (square) may only be counted **once** unless otherwise noted.
- Follow any instructions listed within individual squares.
- Earn BINGO by completing 5 squares in a row – horizontal, vertical or diagonal
- Have fun trying new experiences and making memories along the way!

Submit Your Completed Board

Only **one official submission per participant** will be accepted.

Completed boards must be submitted by **11:59 PM (ET) on April 30, 2027** to:

GSCSNJBINGO@GSCSNJ.org

Submission instructions and required documentation will be provided separately.

Play Fair

Some activities are based on the **Girl Scout Honor Code** and cannot be independently verified.

We trust every Girl Scout to live by the **Girl Scout Promise and Law** by being honest, responsible, and respectful when reporting completed activities.

Submitting false or misleading information may result in disqualification from the challenge and forfeiture of all prizes.

Prizes

Complete 3 BINGOs

- Exclusive GSCSNJ BINGO Fun Patch
- Custom GSCSNJ BINGO Challenge T-Shirt

Complete 5 BINGOs

- Exclusive GSCSNJ BINGO Fun Patch
- Custom GSCSNJ BINGO Challenge T-Shirt
- \$10 GSCSNJ Program or Retail Voucher

Clear the Entire Board

Earn all of the prizes above, PLUS:

- Recognition on GSCSNJ social media

- Invitation to an exclusive celebration dinner with the GSCSNJ CEO and Board Members including fun activities, recognition and surprises.

*Dinner celebration dates and regional locations will be announced after winners are confirmed. Events are anticipated to take place during **June–July 2027**.*

A Few Important Reminders

- Only one prize level will be awarded per participant based on the highest level achieved.
- All submissions are subject to review and verification.
- GSCSNJ reserves the right to request additional information or documentation before awarding prizes.
- Incomplete, late, duplicate, or ineligible submissions will not qualify for prizes.
- By participating, you grant GSCSNJ permission to use your name and/or photo for recognition and promotional purposes related to the challenge unless a current media opt-out is on file with your Girl Scout council.

Most Importantly...

This challenge isn't just about earning prizes—it's about discovering new passions, serving your community, trying something new, and making the most of your Girl Scout experience.

So, grab your board, start checking off those squares, and enjoy the adventure!

One Board. Endless Adventures.