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Council mask requirements will be changing effective Monday,

February 28:

- Mask wearing will no longer be mandatory unless a troop leader or meeting location has different rules.
- If volunteers or leaders would prefer to have their groups masked, they are permitted to put that requirement in place.
- If the location you are utilizing for meetings or activities has more stringent policies in place than current council guidance, you must follow their location's policies.
- Masks are still highly recommended, especially for those who are not yet vaccinated.
- Respect ourselves and others, continue to be respectful of an individual's masking decision.
- We will be updating all COVID guidelines on GSU's website next week.

Action needed: Review the full mask update on our [COVID-19 Info page](#)

Quick Links

- COVID guidelines: [GSU's COVID site](#)
- COVID form - [COVID Symptom Check form](#)

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Cookies & Product Program

Cookie Resources for Girl Scouts and Cookie Volunteers

From marketing tools and selling tips to info on pins, badges, and more—check out these handy resources to boost your cookie business.

Selling Girl Scout Cookies® is one of the most iconic activities Girl Scouts engage in. But that's just one piece of the story.

As participants in the Girl Scout Cookie Program®—the largest girl-led entrepreneurial program in the world—Girl Scouts also gain five skills as they build their business smarts, earn money for activities they choose and prepare for amazing adventures that last a lifetime.

To help ensure that everyone—from troop leaders to cookie moms and dads to Girl Scouts themselves—gets the most out of this year’s cookie season, check out [these helpful resources](#) now.

Quick Links

- [Cookie Booth Resources](#) – conduct contracts, safety tips, and more
- [Social Media Toolkit](#) – social posts, contests, guidelines, and more

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Outdoor Program

Catalina Island Marine Institute

Applications for GSU's fall trip to the Catalina Island Marine Institute (CIMI) are now open! This trip is a unique opportunity for Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors to get hands-on marine biology experiences in California from knowledgeable professionals. As there are limited spaces available on the trip, anyone interested will need to fill out an application and have the ability to commit to the trip dates. This year's trip will be from October 16-19, 2022. If you did not attend the open house, please watch the recording to get details about the trip before applying.

Action needed: Watch the recording from the [open house](#). Complete [application](#) to attend the CIMI trip by midnight on March 9.

Intent to Run a Day Camp

Are you planning to hold a Day Camp? If you are planning to run a day camp virtually or in person in 2022, two important deadlines are coming up!

Day Camps are hosted by Girl Scout volunteers and are typically held over three days in various locations across the state, including parks, churches, and community centers, and a few day camps may be offered virtually!

Action needed: Make sure you submit your [Intent to Run a Day Camp Form](#) before March 7. (It only takes less than 10 minutes to fill out this form.) Then,

submit your [Council-Sponsored Event Form](#) by April 15. (It takes about 30 minutes to fill out this form if you know all the details about your day camp.)

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Volunteer Support

Three Common Troop Communication Issues and How to Resolve Them

Encouraging girls to step out of their comfort zone, building their confidence, inspiring them to take action: when first-time Girl Scout troop leaders sign up to volunteer, they have a sense of the joys—and struggles—that come with shaping young leaders.

But keeping these girls' parents engaged throughout the year? That's a different challenge that sometimes takes new troop leaders by surprise.

A troop is as strong as its members, and the adults in your troop might not realize that their support is paramount to your success as a troop leader, especially with seemingly simple tasks, like troop communication. But being proactive and clear about troop communications can avert several issues that may pop up with parents and caregivers. Our volunteer experts weighed in with some of their [most common communication issues](#) and how they resolved them.



Introducing Travel Experiences for Girl Scout Alums and Supporters!

Looking for new ways to stay in touch with your Girl Scout sisters? Girl Scouts is

partnering with Club Adventures, a AAA-owned adventure tour operator, to design small-group vacation packages for alums and supporters. We've baked the Girl Scout experiences right in, from friendship circles to s'mores. With trips to the Galápagos Islands, Italy and Switzerland, Morocco, and Charleston and Savannah, our new tours, available this fall, are ideal for solo travelers as well as those who want to bring along friends.

Action needed: Learn more about unleashing your adventurous side on a [Girl Scout Club Adventures Trip](#).

Apply to be a Youth Representative to the GSU Board of Directors!

Experience the council's governance processes firsthand! As a Youth Representative, you'll participate in all Board functions as a non-voting member, provide perspective on various issues presented by the Board, and present on different Girl Scouting topics and how each impacts you as a Girl Scout. Review the [full position description](#).

Action needed: Girl Scouts ages 16 and older are eligible to apply. Youth Representatives serve a one-year term beginning on April 30, 2022. [Complete your application](#) by March 4.

Quick Links

- Volunteer trainings and girl programs - [GSU Event Calendar](#)
- Reserve meeting rooms at the NUSC, CRC, and CUSC - [Meetings on Council Premises](#)
- Customizable flyers for troops, social media toolkit for volunteers, VTK, and troop leader blueprint - [Online Support for Volunteers](#)
- Guidelines for in-person activities and troop meeting space at council service centers - [GSU's COVID-19 guidelines](#)

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Council News & Updates

Quick Links

- Join the GSU team - [View job openings and apply](#)

- Support GSU Camps - [Amazon Wish Lists](#)
- Salt Lake City and American Fork shop info - [Retail](#)
- Receive ongoing communications from GSU - [COVID-19 Updates](#) & [GSU's Facebook page](#)

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Service Unit Updates

Prepare for Annual Meeting

- Be sure your Service Unit Delegates & Alternates have turned in their forms and have done their training.
 - [Service Unit Delegate Position Description & Agreement](#)
 - [Delegate Training Video](#) - password: GSUDelegate
- Review topics and discussion from the February 10th Town Meeting.
- [2022 Town Meeting Recording](#) – password: TownHall2022
- Make sure your service unit will have representation for Annual Meeting on Saturday, April 30, 2022

Council Connect Recording + Presentation

- [February PPT](#)
- [February Recording](#)
- Password: CzUnm&rD

Quick Links

- Council-Provided Resources - [Online Support for Volunteers webpage](#)
- Council Connect recordings, PPTs, and registrations - [Service Unit Team Resources webpage](#)

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