

Welcome to Brownie Troop #4023!

Our Vision: A New York City in which every girl feels empowered to lead in her community, workplace, and the world.

Our Mission: Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

Uniform: While not a requirement of membership, Girl Scouts at each level have one encouraged element (tunic, sash or vest) for the display of official pins and awards, which will be required when girls participate in ceremonies or officially represent the Girl Scout Movement. Each girl is responsible for purchasing their Brownie uniform, worn in both 2nd and 3rd grade. The different pieces and patches are listed on the attached page. We will collect badges throughout the year that will be displayed on your Brownie vest.

Dues: Girl Scout dues are **\$100** for the year, due **ASAP by Venmo to @Tamar-Chicavich** with "Girl Scout Troop 4023" in the notes. This money stays with the troop to pay for program snacks, supplies, activities, badges, and recognitions.

Cookies: Girl Scout Cookies are so much more than just a tasty treat. Every package you buy helps the brave and bold girls who sell them create unique adventures for themselves and their troops. Girls are encouraged to sell a minimum of 36 boxes of cookies beginning in January. If you have more than one Girl Scout, each additional girl is asked to sell 18 boxes. The monies we raise from cookie sales offset the cost of our meetings, outings, mother daughter dinner and end of year trip.

Future Meeting Dates: — every other Thursday, 3 -4:30 PM @ St. Mel's Lunch Room September 14, September 28, October 12, October 26, November 9, November 30, December 14, January 4th. **Any changes will be sent via WhatsApp!** The schedule is posted on the St. Mel's website https://stmelsacademy.org/st-mels-girl-scouts/

Special Events: Sands Point Preserve Day Trip Saturday, October 21st Girl Scout Hike in Bear Mountain, NY Saturday, November 4th Turkey Trot in November 18th or 19th, Christmas Caroling in December, Bronx Zoo Bug Badge in January, Camp Kaufmann May 17-19, Mother Daughter Dance in June, End of Year Trip June 19, and more!

Troop Leaders: Tamar Chicavich, <u>tamar.losleben@gmail.com</u>, 339-368-2325 Dorothy Schneider, <u>dorothyschneider50@gmail.com</u>, 347-249-6134

Brownie Uniform



CUSTOMIZABLE ITEM

Official Brownie Vest

ITEM: 5121

★★★★★ <u>4.4 (153)</u> Write a review

\$24.00

♥ Product Details

We've paired the same classic, comfortable fit with new, susta Certified Repreve® recycled polyester (40%), polyester (40%) ϵ in USA.

Recycled material: This product was made using recycled ite raw material, which saves energy, conserves water, and helps waste in landfills.

U.S. Produced: This product was made or assembled in the U shipping distances and delivers a lower carbon footprint.



Girl Scout Brownie Troop Numeral ITEM: 14220

★★★★ 1 Review

\$1.95

♥ Product Details

Official Brownie Girl Scout Troop Numbers are purchased per digit and put together to create your full troop number. Polyester twill and thread. Made in USA. Numbers 0-9. You will need troop numbers 4 0 2 3



Girl Scout Brownie Council Identification Set

ITEM: 4740

Write a review

\$7.00

♥ Product Details

The council identification set includes your council name and Official Girl the USA identification strip. The two are worn together on the front of the Brownie Girl Scout Vest or Sash. See individual packaging for specific inst order, please choose your council name from the drop down list. Council: Greater New York

* you can order online or shop in person at the Girl Scouts store in Garden City (check for availability before you go!)

Wavy American Flag Patch

ITEM: 14302

\$2.50

♥ Product Details

American Flag Patch represents the USA flag in a wavy fabric design. Official and embroidered in red, white and blue, it can be worn by all Girl Soutos n their verst, as abor turnic. Daily Girl Soutos may wear the flag patch on the right shoulder of the tunic. All others may wear the flag patch above the Girl Souto Council ID set on the sash or vers. Polyester twill and thread. Made in USA.



Troop Leader and Parent/Guardian Expectations

This document outlines the mutual responsibilities/ expectations of a troop leader and parent/guardian.

Parent Expectations:

- Accept the Girl Scout Promise and Law.
- Must complete the girl registration form or re-register and pay the national membership dues.
- Make sure that your daughter is dropped off and picked up on time when attending Girl Scout activities.
- Notify leaders of absences from meetings and/or field trips.
- Acknowledge and appreciate that the troop leader voluntarily gives her/his time, energy, and efforts to provide a quality Girl Scout experience.
- Communicate with troop leader(s) and others as needed.
- Refrain from behavior that may undermine the leadership of a Girl Scout activity/event. Cooperate with the troop leaders/staff and respect their lives outside of the Girl Scouts. Refrain from disrespectful, rude, or harassing behavior towards the leaders and staff.
- Bring concerns to the troop leader in a respectful and supportive way, not in the presence of girls.
- Participate in parent/guardian meetings.
- Follow safety guidelines for activities.
- Inform leaders about special needs and/or allergies (including food allergies) your daughter may have.
- Be aware of appropriate behavior expected of your daughter(s), as determined by the council and troop leader.
- Assist volunteers if your daughter(s) has special needs and your help is needed.
- Support your daughter's participation in product sales.
- Let your daughter know that you consider her participation in Girl Scouts to be important.
- Accept an active role in your daughter's Girl Scout Leadership Experience

Parent signature

Date

Troop Leader Expectations:

- Complete Girl Scout position training.
- Devote sufficient time and energy to the planning and carrying out of troop program and meet with girls on a regular basis providing activities based on the National Portfolio Appropriate Girl Guide to Girl Scout handbooks / Journeys and Leader Guides.
- Support the mission and values of the Girl Scout movement.
- Ensure <u>prompt</u> registration and re-registration of all girls and adults in the troop.
- Follow Girl Scout health, safety, and program policies.
- Encourage the adult/girl partnership and planning process.
- Encourage parents to actively participate in the troop and provide opportunities to assist in a variety of positions (i.e., cookie manager, newsletter editor, field trip driver, etc.).
- Create an atmosphere of tolerance, acceptance, and appreciation of differences.
- Be open to discussion with parents and girls about any concerns.
- Provide information regarding Girl Scout activities beyond the troop setting.
- Ensure that the troop is represented at each leaders' meeting.
- Honestly and responsibly manage troop finances.
- Keep accurate records of troop finances.
- Promote enthusiasm and be a role model for girls and adults
- Ensure & encourage participation in the Cookie Sale & Family Partnership Campaign.

Dorothy Schneider 9-10-22

Tamar Chicavich _____9-10-22

Leader signature

Date



GIRL SCOUT HEALTH & SAFETY RECORD

This health history is to be completed and signed by the Parents/Guardians.

Name	Date of Birth	Age	_ Troop No
Address	City	State	Zip
Parent/Guardian:	Re	lationship:	
Primary Phone	Secondary		
In Emergency Notify			
Name	_ Relationship	Phone	
Name	_ Relationship	Phone	
Name of Family Physician	Phone		
Family Medical/Hospital Ins	surance	Policy or Grou	o No
I New York, Inc. (Troop Leader, Co-leader, Council Sta regarding my Girl Scout, duri	iff, Camp Staff and/or volun ing troop meetings, trips, ca	teer) to use the medic mping activities, and	cal information below other Girl Scout events.
Does your Girl Scout have any medical conditions, conditions that would impact her ability to actively If so, please indicate the medical condition(s) and h	participate in any specific t	asks or activity? 🗆 Y	□ N
Is there any special assistance or accommodations Y N If so, please explain: 	s that could be made to sup		-
Does your Girl Scout have any allergies (food, drug, If so, please indicate the allergic reaction details an			
Does your Girl Scout have a prescribed/require an I Does your Girl Scout have a prescribed/require an I Does your Girl Scout regularly take medication or n If so, please explain what treatment must be given,	Asthmatic Inhaler? Y II I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I	s during Girl Scout ac	

Does your Girl Scout have any dietary restrictions/modifications? \Box Y \Box N If so, please provide details:	
Is your Girl Scout up to date with all immunizations and tetanus shots, as required for school? 🗆 Y 🗆 N	

PERMISSIONS

Please read and initial statements at the space provided

COVID-19 is an extremely contagious virus that spreads easily through person-to-person contact. As with any social

activity, participation in Girl Scouts could present the risk of contracting COVID-19. While Girl Scouts of Greater New York (GSGNY) takes every safety and preventative precaution, GSGNY can in no way warrant that COVID-19 infection will not occur through participation in Girl Scout programs, events, activities, etc.

____ I will not allow my Girl Scout to attend if I do not consider her or members of my household to be in good physical condition or if she/members of my household have been exposed to any contagious diseases.

Permission to Self-Administer Medication:

I confirm that my Girl Scout has the knowledge and skills to safely have readily available and self-administer the indicated emergency medication(s) as medically necessary at/during Girl Scout activities. The troop leader/first aider will be notified if they have to use their medication and cannot assist in the administering of said medication.

Permission to Provide Necessary Treatment or Emergency Care:

In the event of an emergency, every effort will be made to contact a parent/guardian or emergency contact. If no contact can be made, I hereby give authorization to Girl Scouts of Greater New York or representatives of GSGNY to seek reasonable action or treatment for my Girl Scout.

Virtual Meeting Participation:

____ I consent to my Girl Scout participating in GSGNY virtual meetings via GSUSA Zoom video conference and to the collecting of the personal information (name, email, etc.) necessary to join the online meeting.

Virtual Meeting Recording:

I consent to having GSGNY virtual meetings recorded with the understanding that the recordings would only be shared with other GSGNY members, volunteers, board members, or staff, unless additional consent for the release & distribution of the recording is provided.

Transportation

The responsibility of the Troop Leaders ends at the close of the Troop Meeting. Parent or Guardian is responsible for the Girl Scout's transportation home. For the Leaders' information, initial one of the following:

_____ My girl may walk home from the Troop Meetings.

_____ My girl may not walk home from the Troop Meetings. I will arrange for her transportation home.

Emergency Cancellation

There is the possibility that the Volunteer Leaders may have to unexpectedly cancel a Troop Meeting.

____ I will tell my Girl Scout what to do if such an emergency should arise.

Unscheduled Activities

Occasionally, the Troop will decide to leave their meeting room for a specific activity. The destination of the Troop will be posted at the regular meeting room, and dismissal of the Troop will be from the regular meeting place at the regular time. No vehicles will be used for this type of spontaneous activity.

I will give permission for my Girl Scout to participate in unscheduled local activities with her troop during regular Troop Meeting time.

Photographs

Occasionally, pictures taken of girls during Girl Scouts activities are put in local news or used for promotional purposes.

_____ I give permission to the Girl Scout Council of Greater New York, Inc. to use photos taken of my Girl Scout during Girl Scout activities for Girl Scout publicity.

I certify that this health history form is complete and accurate. I know of no reasons, other than the information noted on this form, why my Girl Scout should not participate in Girl Scout activities.

Signature of Parent/Guardian ____

