



2012 Girl Scout Scholarships

In 2012, Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois will be offering three types of scholarships—Girl Scout Gold Award Scholarships, Performing Arts Scholarship, and Girl Scout Ambassador Scholarships. The applicant requirements and application process for these scholarships are outlined below.

2012 Girl Scout Gold Award Scholarship

Number Available: Two
Monetary Value: \$500

Applicant Requirements

Applicants must:

1. Be a current high school senior who plans to continue her education at a college or university in the fall of 2012. (Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois must receive documentation of enrollment prior to funds being paid.)
2. Have completed and submitted her Girl Scout Gold Award requirements by April 15, 2012.
3. Be a registered and active member of Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois.
 - Applicants must have been actively involved in Girl Scouting during their high school years, including participation in council-sponsored product sales.

Application Process

1. Complete and sign the 2012 Girl Scout Gold Award Scholarship Application form. (It may be handwritten or typed.)
 - Neatness counts
2. Secure two (2) completed 2012 Girl Scout Scholarship Recommendation Forms:
 - A. One recommendation should be from a high school teacher, church pastor, etc. (not related to the applicant).
 - B. One recommendation should be from an active Girl Scout volunteer (not related to the applicant).
3. Submit one 500-word (or less) essay detailing your Girl Scout Gold Award project. This essay must give the following details:
 - A brief description of the project including the issue addressed and its root cause;
 - A discussion of what impact you hope to have made and who benefitted;
 - A discussion of how working on your project strengthened your leadership skills;
 - A discussion on how the project will be sustained beyond your involvement.
4. Secure a completed 2012 Girl Scout Scholarship School Endorsement Form.
5. Finalists are required to have a personal interview with the Scholarship Committee.
6. Each applicant must submit a head-and-shoulder photo suitable for newspaper and Girl Scout publicity—a school photo is preferred; no photocopies. Photos may be submitted electronically to kflavin@girlscoutsni.org.

Application and all associated documentation is due to GSNI, Elgin Service Center, 12N124 Coombs Road, Elgin, Illinois, 60124, no later than 5 P.M. on March 15, 2012.



2012 Performing Arts Scholarship

Number Available: One
Monetary Value: \$1,000

Applicant Requirements

Applicants must:

1. Be a current high school senior who plans to continue her education at a college or university in the fall of 2012 to pursue a career in performing arts. (Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois must receive documentation of enrollment prior to funds being paid.)
2. Have completed and submitted her Girl Scout Gold Award requirements by April 15, 2012.
3. Be a registered girl member of Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois.

Application Process

1. Complete and sign the 2012 Girl Scout Gold Award Scholarship Application form. (It may be handwritten or typed.)
 - Neatness counts
2. Attach a copy of official high school academic transcript to-date or, if home schooled, a summary of educational experience.
3. Secure two (2) completed 2012 Girl Scout Scholarship Recommendation Forms:
 1. One recommendation should be from a high school teacher, church pastor, etc.(not related to the applicant)
 2. One recommendation should be from an active Girl Scout volunteer (not related to the applicant).
4. Submit essays on the following topics:
 - A. A 100-word (or less) essay on your career goals in a performing arts field (theater, dance, music or voice).
 - B. A 500-word (or less) essay detailing your Girl Scout Gold Award project. This essay must give the following details:
 - A brief description of the project, including the issue addressed and its root cause;
 - A discussion of what impact you hope to have made and who benefitted;
 - A discussion of how working on your project strengthened your leadership skills; and
 - A discussion on how the project will be sustained beyond your involvement.
5. Secure a completed 2012 Girl Scout Scholarship School Endorsement Form.
6. Finalists are required to have a personal interview with the Scholarship Committee.
7. Each applicant must submit a head-and-shoulder photo suitable for newspaper and Girl Scout publicity—school photo preferred; no photocopies. Photos may be submitted electronically to kflavin@girlscoutsni.org.

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2012 Girl Scout Ambassador Scholarship

Number Available: Will be determined based on monies available.

Monetary Value: \$500

Applicant Requirements

Applicants must:

1. Be a current high school senior, graduating in the spring of 2012.
 - GED or other programs qualify if you will receive a high school diploma or equivalent after completing.
2. Be a registered and active girl member of Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois.
 - Applicants must have been actively involved in Girl Scouting during their high school years, including participation in council-sponsored product sales.
 - To verify your active participation, an unrelated adult who has worked with you in Girl Scouting is required to confirm your participation on the recommendation form.
3. Be able to demonstrate that you understand and live by the principles expressed in the Girl Scout Promise and Law.
4. Be enrolled in college, junior college, vocational school, an apprentice program or other training for the fall of 2012. (Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois must receive documentation of enrollment prior to funds being paid.)

Application Process

1. Complete and sign the 2012 Girl Scout Ambassador Scholarship Application form. (It may be handwritten or typed.)
 - Neatness counts
2. Submit a typed response to the essay questions listed on the application form.
3. Secure one 2012 Girl Scout Scholarship Recommendation Form from an unrelated adult who can attest to your Girl Scout involvement.
4. Secure a completed 2012 Girl Scout Scholarship School Endorsement Form.
5. Finalists are required to have a personal interview with the Scholarship Committee.
6. Each applicant must submit a head-and-shoulder photo suitable for newspaper and Girl Scout publicity—school photo preferred; no photocopies. Photos may be submitted electronically to kflavin@girlscoutsni.org.

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