girl scouts of northern illinois

2027 Girl Scout Ambassador Scholarship Application

NOTE: As a member of Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois, you may only be awarded one Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois scholarship. If you meet the qualifications for the 2027 Gold Award Girl Scout Scholarship, you may apply for both scholarship opportunities using the appropriate application forms. Please save all forms to your computer before submitting. Please be sure to answer the question being asked in full.

Complete applications must include:

- **Appropriate** scholarship **application**.
- **Two** references using the 2027 Girl Scout Scholarship Recommendation Form.
  This form can be found on the Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois website and can be forwarded to the persons from whom you are requesting recommendations.
  One reference must be from an **adult Girl Scout member.** The **second** reference must be from an **non-Girl Scout adult**, such as a teacher, coach, minister, employer, etc. NO family member references are accepted.
- A **photo** of the applicant.

**Denotes required field.*

First Name*

Last Name*

Address*

City, State, Zip Code*

E-mail Address*

Phone*

Name of High School*

Graduation Date*

How long have you been a Girl Scout? *

What is your troop leader's name? *

How are you registered? *

☐ In a troop

☐ Individually registered

Participation in Girl Scouts during your Senior & Ambassador years

On average, how many hours per month do you participate in Girl Scout activities (troop meetings, planning meetings, events, service, etc.)? * *Maximum 8 points*

☐ 1–3 hours per month ☐ 4–6 hours per month ☐ 7 or more hours per month

Girl Scout Senior & Ambassador Journeys, Awards & Badges

Did you earn your Girl Scout Gold Award? *Maximum 2 points*

Title of Project-	Date of Completion-

List all Girl Scout Senior & Ambassador Awards & Badges you earned. Clearly explain each one you list. These are awards you earned during your Girl Scout years from your first semester freshman year through first semester senior year. * *Maximum 8 points*

Awards: Senior & Ambassador

Excludes Girl Scout Bronze and Silver Awards.
Accepted examples: My Promise, My Faith; Community Service Bar; Service to Girl Scouting Bar; Safety Award; Torch Award; Take Action Award; Global Action Award; True North Award; Religious Award. This excludes Girl Scout Bronze and Silver Awards.

Award	Level Earned (Senior or Ambassador)

Badges: Senior & Ambassador

Badges	Level Earned (Senior or Ambassador)

Girl Scout Leadership Activities

During your Senior & Ambassador Girl Scout years, have you assumed a leadership role? If so, please list role(s) and give a brief description.* *1 point per activity/Maximum 10 points*

Examples: Camp Aide for Service Unit Day Camp - Summers 2024, 2024, 2026; Leading activities for younger Girl Scouts at council event; Counselor-in-Training I or II (CIT-1, CIT-2) - GSNI camps summer 2023 through 2026; Volunteer-in-Training, Associate Board Member serving term 2023–2024, or 2024–2025, 2025-2026, Committee Chair, etc.

Role	**Description**

Girl Scout Activities

Please list the Girl Scout activities you have participated in during your Girl Scout Senior & Ambassador years. **1 point per activity/ Maximum 8 points*

Examples: *trips, events, troop money earning projects, Destinations, GSNI summer camps, etc.*

Non-Girl Scout Leadership

Please list any non-Girl Scout leadership experience during your Senior and Ambassador years where you planned and/or lead a group in some way. * *1 point per activity/Maximum 3 points*

Examples: Class Officer, Club Officer, Music Leadership role, Team Captain, leading Sunday School, etc.

	[redacted]

Non-Girl Scout Activities

Please list any non-Girl Scout activities during your Senior and Ambassador years when you participated in a club, sport, or group. * *1 point per activity/Maximum 3 points*

Examples: *Honor Roll, State Scholar, athletics, Band/ Music, National Honor Society, church group, etc.*

Activity	Years
	[redacted]

What three words can be used to describe you and why? *

Words	Why

Future Education Plans

Please indicate the name of the college, trade school, or apprenticeship you plan to attend and your planned field of study. *

Essay

In a **300–450**-word essay, please describe how your Girl Scout Senior and Ambassador experiences have helped you develop your courage, confidence, and character to make the world a better place. Include as many details as possible, being sure to explain how you believe Girl Scouting has helped you develop these characteristics.* *Maximum 25 points*
(5 points for addressing each: courage, confidence, character, making the world a better place; 5 points for essay structure)

Please review and check each box. I understand that:

☐ Scholarship funds are for use in the Fall of 2027. Funds not used will be forfeited. *

☐ Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois must receive documentation of enrollment in school or apprenticeship prior to funds being disbursed. *

☐ Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois has the right to award or deny a scholarship to an applicant.*

☐ A committee will review every application, along with essays and recommendations. *

☐ All finalists are required to have a personal interview with the Scholarship Committee tentatively scheduled for the second week of March. Please note, not all finalists will be awarded a scholarship. *

Electronic Signature (Type Full Name) *

By submitting this scholarship application and typing my name below, I approve all information contained in this application is accurate. I understand any false statements made herein may cause disqualification of this application. Furthermore, I authorize Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois to use my name/image for publication.

Electronic Signature (Type Full Name) *

Submit completed applications (scholarship application, references, photo) to:

Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois, 353 Randall Rd., South Elgin, IL 60177 or e-mail GSNI at **customercare@girlscoutsni.org no later than 5 p.m. on Monday, January 11, 2027.**

If e-mailing the application, save this document in the following format:

First name Last name 2027 Ambassador Scholarship _____**Initial***

A Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois staff member will review application submissions and send an e-mail acknowledgement. If you do not receive an acknowledgement of your submission, **it is your responsibility** to contact Customer Care at customercare@girlscoutsni.org to check on the receipt of your application.*

_____Initial*