



2026 Girl Scout Scholarship Recommendation Form

Through an application process, Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois (GSNI) awards scholarships each year to qualifying GSNI members. To qualify for a GSNI scholarship, a Girl Scout must be graduating from high school, plan to go on to further education, demonstrate an understanding of Girl Scout values, currently live by the values expressed in the Girl Scout Promise and Law, and must be actively involved in Girl Scouting during their high school years.

This recommendation form is to be completed by one adult Girl Scout Member **and** one non-Girl Scout adult who can attest to the criteria listed below. NO family member references are accepted. To maintain consistency among all applicants, only this recommendation form will be accepted.

This is a confidential form that will be viewed by the GSNI Scholarship Committee and GSNI staff overseeing the scholarship process. This information will not be shared with the Girl Scout who has requested your reference.

This form may be completed electronically and submitted via email using the following naming convention: **Recommendation for Girl Scout's first name last name**, or it can be printed out and mailed.

GSNI Scholarship applications and all associated documentation are due **no later than 5 p.m. on Friday, January 9, 2026.**

*Denotes required field.

Applicant's Name (First Name, Last Name) *

Applicant is applying for the following scholarship(s):

- ☐ GSNI Girl Scout Ambassador Scholarship
- ☐ GSNI Gold Award Girl Scout Scholarship

Please rank this applicant on each of the following by checking the appropriate box. *

	Outstanding	Good	Average	Fair	Unable to Judge
Demonstrates courage.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Demonstrates confidence.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Demonstrates character.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Has shown leadership in Girl Scouting. (Rank only if you are an adult Girl Scout reference.)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Has shown leadership in school, church, or community.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Has been involved in community service through Girl Scouting. (Rank only if you are an adult Girl Scout reference.)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Has been involved in community service through school, church, or other.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Please list and explain three adjectives that best exemplify why this applicant is a good candidate for a GSNI Scholarship.*

Word	Why

What is your relationship to this applicant? *

☐ Girl Scouts

☐ Non-Girl Scouts (i.e. school, church, sports, etc.)

How long have you known/worked with this applicant? In what capacity do you know the applicant? *

This applicant has been active in Girl Scouting during their Girl Scout Senior and Ambassador years.*
(Respond only if you are an adult Girl Scout reference.)

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Unsure

On average, how many hours per month does this applicant participate in Girl Scout activities (troop meetings, events, service, etc.)? * (Respond only if you are an adult Girl Scout reference.)

☐ 1–3 hours ☐ 4–6 hours ☐ 7 or more hours ☐ Unsure

Name of person completing this recommendation. (First Name, Last Name) *

Phone*

Reference's consent. Please review and check each box.

☐ I agree the statements in this recommendation are accurate. *

☐ I understand any false statements made may cause disqualification of this applicant. *

Signature (Type Full Name)

If e-mailing document, please send to GSNI at customercare@girlscoutsni.org.

If mailing document, please send it to

Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois

1886 Daimler Rd.

Rockford, IL 61112.

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