

Orientation to Girl Scouting

Orientation for all new Leaders. This training consists of: an overview of the history, structure, and policies and procedures of the Girl Scout Organization. The dates listed are for face to face training sessions. Requisite for all position trainings **through October 31**. e.g. New Leader Training, Transition, & Advisor Training. *Prerequisite: Volunteer Application Process. 2.5 hours*

New Leader Training for Daisy, Brownie, or Junior Girl Scouts

Available through October 31, 2008

Everything you need to know to manage a troop including safety standards, GSCSNJ policies, age level awards, developmental characteristics, and activities. This training is required for all new Leaders, Co-leaders, and Assistant Leaders. *Prerequisite: Orientation to Girl Scouting. 2.5 hours*

New Leaders who are starting their troops before November 2008 should take New Leader Training. They are encouraged to take Continuing the Excellence when they plan on implementing the Journeys.

Transition Training

Available through October 31, 2008

Program level training designed for the experienced Leader who is changing age levels with emphasis on age level resources, Troop government, awards, and developmental characteristics of the specific age level. *Prerequisite: New Leader Training. 2 hours*

Advisor Training

Available through October 31, 2008

Training for Leaders of Cadette and Senior GS making the transition from Leader to Advisor. Particular emphasis will be on the development of girl driven programming. *Prerequisite: New Leader Training. 3 hours*

CPR/First Aid

Required training for all First Aiders. A First Aider must accompany Troops on any high risk trip. If you are not sure if the trip you are planning is high risk please contact your Leadership Development Specialist. *The First Aider need not be the Leader of the Troop.* For the convenience of our volunteers we offer courses given by the American Red Cross (ARC,) American Heart Association (AHA) or the American Safety and Health Institute (ASHI.) There is a \$40 charge for the complete course. If you wish to take just CPR or just First Aid the charge is \$20. American Red Cross and American Heart Association course fees are payable to GSCSNJ. American Safety & Health Institute course fees are payable to R House Health and Safety. If you wish, you may take CPR/First Aid from outside agencies. Be sure that the CPR course covers both adult and child CPR. Please consult Safety Wise for approved courses.

Overnight Adventures

This course qualifies adult volunteers to take girls on overnight trips at museums/activity centers, lock-ins, hotels and cabin camping with no outdoor cooking. *Prerequisite for Outdoor Skills I. 3 hours*

Outdoor Skills I

This outdoor course consists of hands on activities providing the skills needed to participate in an overnight camping experience that includes fire building and elementary cooking methods. *Prerequisite Overnight Adventures. 4 hours*

Outdoor Skills II (Overnight)

This overnight experience certifies adult volunteers to take girls on camp outs where the girls will be cooking outdoors. Participants will receive a packet in advance of the training which will include clothes to pack, cooking equipment, and food to bring. These items will be needed to complete the training successfully. This session enables participants to utilize tent units and includes a special focus on program activities. This course is a rain or shine activity. You will be notified by the Lead Trainer if there is a cancellation due to weather conditions. *Prerequisites: Overnight Adventures and Outdoor Skills I*

New Training Courses

Orientation – same as it is now - which will also be offered online with companion GSCSNJ resource guide in 2009.

Leadership Essentials – all new leaders starting in November. This course is designed to teach the Leaders how to use the Facilitator's Guides that accompany the Journey books. This course is designed to be delivered to multi-levels and participants need only take it once. **3 hours**

Continuing the Excellence – all trained veteran leaders that wish to explore the "Journeys" starting in November. When you are ready to start your Journey with your girls you take this training and then there are no additional level trainings. **3 hours**

Overnight Adventures – as it is now

Outdoor Skills 1 – as it is now

Outdoor Skills 2 – as it is now

CPR/First Aid – as it is now

Green Apple Workshops

Green Apple training is a short workshop based on a specific topic. It is designed to serve as an enrichment opportunity for Girl Scout volunteers. A volunteer may use the information delivered in these workshops for individual use with a troop, service unit or committee. Workshops are generally one hour or less in length and cover a variety of topics. Some are for personal enrichment and others are to enhance troop program. Check out our website www.gscsnj.org for upcoming workshops.