

Creating Cookie Success

{ Here's a handy checklist for adults! }

You can make this year's Cookie Program a success and help your Girl Scout develop the 5 Skills she'll learn from selling cookies. Here's how:

Support Your Girl Scout

- Go to the family cookie information meeting.
- Sign and return all permission slips.
- Provide transportation for order taking and delivery.
- Help your Girl Scout network with family and friends, but let her do the “ask” so she can learn important business skills.
- Help her arrange to take orders at your place of work, place of worship, or other places where people might purchase Girl Scout Cookies.
- Attend your council training to become the group cookie coordinator (or help out the group cookie coordinator when another adult is needed).
- Offer to be a supervising adult—there are lots of opportunities to lend a hand.
- Share your business expertise and help link the Girl Scout Cookie Program with the wider business world.
- Follow your Girl Scout Council and group guidelines on how to handle cookie proceeds.
- Never do things for your Girl Scout that she can do for herself!

Coach Your Girl Scout

- Listen to her practice her sales pitch.
- Review cookie materials together and visit Girl Scout Cookie and cookie company websites with her to help her learn more about her product.
- Ask her questions—maybe even pretend to be a potential customer.
- Guide her to set practical and useful goals about what she wants to learn and earn.
- Listen to her describe what her goals are for the money earned through the sale.
- Be a role model for business ethics and safety rules.
- Have fun with her!

► Remember that the Girl Scout Cookie Program is a part of the Girl Scout Leadership Experience, which is girl-driven. Let your Girl Scout take the lead in selling cookies and reaching goals. Your encouragement, coaching, and guidance will be key ingredients to a successful Cookie Program experience for her.

For more information on the Girl Scout Leadership Experience, visit www.girlscouts.org/gsle.