

Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia
Gainesville Alumni Girl Scout Troop 2012 College Scholarship
(Serving Hall, Lumpkin, Clarke and Habersham Counties)

High School seniors in the Hall, Lumpkin, Clarke, and Habersham counties who have been actively involved in Girl Scouts are eligible for a \$1000 college scholarship. A Scholarship Selection Committee comprised of members of Gainesville Alumni Troop 2012 will review all applications, interview finalists for the scholarship, and select the scholarship recipients.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Currently registered Girl Scout in Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia Council living in one of the following counties: Hall, Lumpkin, Clarke and Habersham
- Graduating High School Senior in the academic calendar year of the scholarship
- Active participation in Girl Scouts (with preference to girls having earned the Gold Award)
- Applied to or accepted by a regionally accredited¹ college or university for the upcoming academic year [Funding is not available for colleges outside of the United States.]
- Academic achievement

Application Process:

Submit the following electronically by email, by mail, or hand deliver to the council office.

- Emails should include all documents as attachments to one email dated no later than March 1 (scholarhips@gshg.org)
- Mailed or hand delivered applications should have all documents in one envelope postmarked no later than April 30 or hand delivered no later than the last business day on or before May 1 (Scholarship Committee, Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia, 535 Spring Street, SE, Gainesville, GA 30501)
 1. Completed scholarship application (typed)
 2. Essay (typed)
 3. High School Transcript (copy/scan of the official transcript acceptable)
 4. Two letters of support (one from a peer and one from an unrelated adult familiar with your Girl Scout accomplishments)
 5. Copy of the most recent communication with the college/university [e.g., acknowledgment of application; copy of acceptance letter]

For finalists:

1. Participate in an interview (to be held in Gainesville in mid-May)

For selected recipients (early June):

1. Picture (head shot) and permission to use this to publicize selection for the scholarship
2. Documentation of enrollment in at least 6 semester hours of college level coursework required prior to disbursement of funds to the recipient [Note: Funds will be sent to the institution and applied by the institution to the student's account]

¹ Accredited by one of the following groups: Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACS: <http://www.sacscoc.org>); Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association (MSCHE: <http://www.hlcommission.org>); Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE: <http://www.msche.org>); New England Association of Schools and Colleges Commission on Institutions of Higher Education (NEASC: <http://www.neasc.org>); Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NCCU: <http://www.nwccu.org>); Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC-Senior Colleges and Universities: <http://www.wascweb.org>); ACCJC-Community and Junior Colleges: <http://www.accjc.org>)

Gainesville Alumni Troop 2012 Girl Scout Scholarship Application

Applicant Information

Name of applicant:

Home address:

City, State, Zip:

County:

Preferred phone:

Alternate phone:

E-Mail Address:

College/University Information

College/University where you have applied or been accepted:

Status of application (submitted / accepted / describe any other):

(Attach a copy of your most recent communication from the Admissions Office at the school—could be email or paper communication)

High School Information and Activities

(Attach your high school transcript. This may be a copy/scan of an official transcript)

Name of high school:

Guidance Counselor Name:

School phone:

Most significant scholastic and extra-curricular school related activities (grades 10 – 12) and your role (e.g., Beta Club, IB Program, varsity sports, school sponsored clubs)

Activity	Year(s)	Role (e.g., member, president, other officer, ...)

Girl Scout Activities

Current Troop #

Service Unit:

Number of years you have been a member of Girl Scouts by level (including this year):
___ Daisy ; ___ Brownie ; ___ Junior ; ___ Cadette ; ___ Senior ; ___ Ambassador

If your membership was outside of Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia or Girl Scouts of Northeast Georgia Councils, please specify other Council(s) or locations if you do not remember the council name:

Girl Scout Awards (e.g., Bronze, Silver, or Gold Award) and Badges earned:

Award or Badge	Year	If a project was included, provide title (or brief description < 25 words)

Girl Scout Leadership Roles (provide a bulleted list):

Additional Girl Scout Service Activities (provide a bulleted list):

Community Service Activities over the last three years (not included in School or Girl Scout Activities):

Most significant activities and your role:

Activity	Year(s)	Your role

Letters of Reference

Each letter should be a signed, one page letter addressing your qualifications for this scholarship. The letters should be included with your submission.

Provide contact information below:

1) Reference 1: an unrelated adult familiar with your Girl Scout accomplishments

Name:

Capacity to comment (e.g., troop leader; recipient of a Girl Scout service activity):

Contact information:

2) Reference 2: a peer who has known you for at least three years and who can provide her/his perspective on your leadership and service activities.

Name:

Capacity to comment (e.g., troop member, classmate):

Contact information:

Essay (300 – 500 words; typed in 12 point font)

Attach an essay addressing one of the following topics:

1. Explain how the principles and ideals of Girl Scouts have influenced your life.
2. Describe the most challenging situation you have faced while in a leadership role and what you learned from that experience.

Permission to Share Recipient's Information

"If I am chosen as a scholarship recipient, I give my permission for the Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia to use my name and picture and to quote from my application in news releases and other publicity."

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Checklist:

In one email or in one envelope including all of the following:

- _____ Application with all parts completed (including signatures)
- _____ Essay
- _____ Letter of support from a peer
- _____ Letter of support from an unrelated adult familiar with your Girl Scout accomplishments
- _____ Copy of communication from the college you plan to attend (confirming receipt of your application or admission status)
- _____ High School Transcript (copy/scan of official transcript acceptable)