

Travel & Camping

Taking a trip is a vital part of the Girl Scout Leadership Experience. Girls are always ready to go and you should be too! Plan to attend the Spring Volunteer Retreat and learn the latest and greatest on traveling with girls – from around the block to around the world!

one, two, or even three sessions in one weekend.

If there is an immediate travel need, Service Units may contact the Adult Leadership Enhancement (ALE) Director at the Des Moines Leadership Center to arrange an interim session at a date, time, and location that would work for their volunteers.

Future modules will be grouped in three hour sessions by “Need to Know” information for specific types of travel and activities. These modules will be piloted at sessions with individual Service Units over the next few months. If your Service Unit is interested in hosting or attending one of the pilot sessions, please contact the ALE Director at the Des Moines Leadership Center.

We are looking forward to consolidating the “Need to Knows” and enhancement sessions covering the “Nice to Knows”!

Information from several current Girl Scouts of Greater Iowa sessions: Trip and Travel, Basic Out And About, Troop Lodge or Cabin Camping, Skills N’ S’more, and Tent Camping will be included in the revised travel and camping modules. The introductory module will be offered at the Spring Volunteer conference and additional modules will be offered in May as well as being available for delivery on Service Unit request.

Travel modules progress from close to home to long distance trips designed for the volunteer to keep up with the girls travel needs. Camping modules are designed so volunteers can take

Travel Safety

A definite “should have” for anyone traveling beyond a simple field trip. This course is for anyone attending a Girl Scout event for Girl Scouts of Greater Iowa or surrounding councils. This includes simple day trips and up to one night in a commercial facility (i.e. hotel, etc.). Attending Girl Scout events are often first time trips for girls. Learn the basics of keeping everyone safe.

DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	TOWN, STATE
Sun	Apr. 25	9 am – noon	King’s Pointe Resort 1520 East Lakeshore Dr	Storm Lake, Iowa 50588
Sun	Apr. 25	1 - 4 pm	King’s Pointe Resort 1520 East Lakeshore Dr	Storm Lake, Iowa 50588
Mon	Apr. 26	6 – 9 pm	Girl Scout Leadership Center 601 S Illinois Ave	Mason City, IA 50401
Mon	Apr. 26	6 – 9 pm	Girl Scout Leadership Center 1515 Zenith Dr	Sioux City, IA 51103
Tue	Apr. 27	6 – 9 pm	Girl Scout Leadership Center 10715 Hickman Rd	Des Moines, IA 50322
Tue	Apr. 27	6 – 9 pm	Girl Scout Leadership Center 112 S 3rd St	Fort Dodge, IA 50501
Tue	Apr. 27	6 – 9 pm	Girl Scout Leadership Center 526 S 3rd St	Council Bluffs, IA 51503

Beginning Trips

The needed information for any multi-night trip. This course is for anyone who is planning on spending two or more nights at a commercial facility and includes travel anywhere within the United States. Getting to know other places and people is a vital part of Girl Scouts. Learn the importance of an itinerary and having girls and adults prepared for travel.

DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	TOWN, STATE
Mon	May 3	6 – 9 pm	Girl Scout Leadership Center 601 S Illinois Ave	Mason City, IA 50401
Mon	May 3	6 – 9 pm	Girl Scout Leadership Center 1515 Zenith Dr	Sioux City, IA 51103
Tue	May 4	6 – 9 pm	Girl Scout Leadership Center 10715 Hickman Rd	Des Moines, IA 50322
Tue	May 4	6 – 9 pm	Girl Scout Leadership Center 112 S 3rd St	Fort Dodge, IA 50501
Tue	May 4	6 – 9 pm	Girl Scout Leadership Center 526 S 3rd St	Council Bluffs, IA 51503

Global Travel

For when girls are ready to really spread their wings. Girl Scouts travel around the town, the country, and the world! Come learn about the resources (including Girl Scouts of the USA and Global Travel Kit) and options for girls who are looking at international travel.

DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	TOWN, STATE
Mon	May 10	6 – 9 pm	Girl Scout Leadership Center 601 S Illinois Ave	Mason City, IA 50401
Tue	May 11	6 – 9 pm	Girl Scout Leadership Center 10715 Hickman Rd	Des Moines, IA 50322

Camping at Council Facilities

The basics of camping as well as an introduction to great facilities for girls' first camping experience. Girl Scouts of Greater Iowa offers facilities to help create a safe and fun environment. Join us at one of the council camps to learn how to take advantage of these great opportunities.

DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	TOWN, STATE
Sat	May 1	10 am – 1 pm	Camp Sacajawea 635 L Ave	Boone, IA 50326
Sat	May 8	10 am – 1 pm	Camp Tanglefoot 14948 Dogwood Ave	Clear Lake, IA 50428

Camping Beyond Council Facilities

Build on the Council Facilities session and be able to safely provide more camping options for girls. Learn how to go further afield to State Parks, National Parks and more. We'll show you how to pack up the basics and get going!

DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	TOWN, STATE
Sat	May 1	2 – 5 pm	Camp Sacajawea 635 L Ave	Boone, IA 50326
Sat	May 8	2 – 5 pm	Camp Tanglefoot 14948 Dogwood Ave	Clear Lake, IA 50428

Camping Enhancement

You will want to take this course if you are ready to add more camping skills and activities to your talents. If your schedule permits, why not pick up some "nice to know" tips and tricks. Sleep in the lodge or a tent and learn about campfire favorites, camp crafts, and night hikes for girls.

DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	TOWN, STATE
Sat and Sun	May 1 – May 2	6 pm – noon	Camp Sacajawea 635 L Ave	Boone, IA 50326
Sat and Sun	May 8 – May 9	6 pm – noon	Camp Tanglefoot 14948 Dogwood Ave	Clear Lake, IA 50428