

VIRTUAL BRIDGING

Junior to Cadette

Make sure to complete steps 1 and 2 of the bridging requirements that are found in The Junior Girl's Guide to Girl Scouting or [online](#).

BEFORE YOU GET STARTED

Troop Leaders should consider: Include your troop in the planning of their unique Bridging ceremony this year. There are great resources for virtual meetings and ceremonies on the [Girl Scouts at Home page](#) of our website. Keep in mind that the bridging deadline for this year has been extended until December 31, 2020.

PLANNING YOUR CEREMONY

1. Talk with Juniors and their families on how they would like to move forward with their virtual bridging ceremony. Split up planning tasks among your girls to make this as girl-led as possible.
2. Plan a ceremony that fits your troops' personality. Need ideas? Check out [GSGI's Pinterest](#) page or do a Google search for some great options. Think about what girls would like to help with in this ceremony. Will there be speaking parts or actions to be played out? **Think your girls can handle this step? Be sure to include them in the planning process as much as possible! Consider asking them what they think would be most important in their ceremony or even if they want to plan a portion of the event.**
3. Choose a date, time, and format for the virtual bridging ceremony. There are great resources for virtual meetings on the [Girl Scouts at Home page](#) of our website.
4. Create an invitation for the girls to send to their families and friends. The invitation can be printed, hand-made, or even online! Girls can work on this individually or in groups with the help of an adult if meeting online separately. **This could be a great step for girls to handle and a good opportunity for them to learn what information is key for an invitation!**
5. Plan what the virtual ceremony will look like. Are you using a video or audio-conferencing tool? Should each girl decorate their own home for the ceremony? Talk with your girls about what they would like to share with their family and make sure parents/guardians approve of all decorating plans.
6. Host your virtual bridging ceremony! Be sure you have a reliable internet connection and distraction-free environment so you can focus on the girls and their accomplishments. It might be fun to have each girl make a memento on their own after the ceremony to remember their virtual bridging experience. Be sure this can be done with materials they have on hand or plan to mail supplies ahead of time.
7. Congratulations! You did it! Did your troop have an awesome bridging ceremony? Tell us about it using the hashtag #GSGIDIY and remind girls they can share with us as well with parent/guardian permission.



VIRTUAL BRIDGING - SHOPPING LIST

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When girls bridge to the next level of Girl Scouts, they should receive new uniform pieces. Check out the shopping list below to see what each girl will need. Everything can be found online at the [Girl Scout Official Online Store!](#)

ITEMS INCLUDE

Note: some of these items come in multi-packs

[Girl Scout Cadette Bridging Certificate](#)

[Bridge to Cadette Iron-on Award](#) (single pack)

[Junior Membership Disc](#)

[Girl Scout Membership Star Pin](#) (single pack)

