It will soon be time for the annual Girl Scout Cookie Program. Here at the Girl Scouts of Greater New York, we want to thank you in advance for supporting the Girl Scout in your life as they embark on this fundamental learning experience of Girl Scouting.

Funds from the sale of Girl Scout Cookies benefit your Girl Scout’s troop and all Girl Scouts across the city, but that’s just the beginning. The Girl Scout Cookie Program provides much more than just delicious treats and fundraising. This experience is a valuable tradition that cultivates real leadership skills. Through the Girl Scout Cookie Program, Girl Scouts learn: **Goal Setting, Decision Making, Money Management, People Skills, and Business Ethics**.

Families are an important part of the tradition, learning, and fun of Cookie Season! You can support your Girl Scout by:

* Helping them set personal goals, such as earning Girl Scout Cookie badges or the Cookie Entrepreneur Family Pin;
* Helping them complete the cookie order card section that explains their troop goal;
* Reviewing the selling safety tips and listening to them practice their sales pitch;
* Reminding them to let every customer know they can purchase cookies for Gift of Caring;
* Going with them to sell and deliver cookies;
* Helping the troop to organize cookie orders and volunteering to chaperone booths;
* Arranging booth sites through work, places of worship, or other locations;
* Helping them use the online Digital Cookie platform to approach customers and sell cookies online; and
* **Abiding by COVID rules set by council including wearing a mask when conducting in-person sales, maintaining a 6-foot distance from others, and conducting handoffs in a contactless manner.**

And here’s how you can help your Girl Scout’s Troop Leader during cookie season. Please remember:

* Your family is responsible for submitting an accurate cookie order to your Troop Leader. Cookies cannot be returned or exchanged after your order is placed.
* Your Troop Leader will establish a timeline for when your cookie order must be submitted. Your family is responsible for timely submission of your cookie order and payment to your troop.
* Proceeds earned from the Girl Scout Cookie Program belong to the troop and are not the property of individual Girl Scouts. Please talk to your Troop Leader about how the troop plans to spend the proceeds.

**If you’re considering writing a check instead of participating in the Girl Scout Cookie Program, please think twice. With your help and encouragement, participating in the Girl Scout Cookie Program can be a transformative experience for your Girl Scout!**

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# Family Adult Permission and Responsibility Form for the 2023 Cookie Program

*(Return this portion to your Girl Scout’s Troop Leader)*

My Girl Scout \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, a member of Troop \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ has my permission to participate in the 2023 Girl Scout Cookie Program. In so doing, I agree to accept financial responsibility for all products and money they receive. I will see that they do not sell prior to the official starting date and that they have adult guidance at all times. I also give my Girl Scout permission to participate in the Digital Cookie platform online.

Signature of Parent or Guardian Telephone Date

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