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**Local Girl Scouts Launch Initial Cookie Orders January 6–30, 2021!**

*Northern Illinois* – Local Girl Scouts have set-up their cookie websites and been busy marketing their products and selling Girl Scout Cookies online since December 14, 2020, for the Early Bird Online Only part of the annual Girl Scout Cookie Program! Now that 2021 is here, girls may choose to take cookie orders safely in-person from January 6–30, as they create new ways to connect with customers and offer contactless ordering and delivery door-to-door!

This year's delicious cookie lineup features refreshing Thin Mints (vegan!), caramel-y Samoas, peanut butter-stuffed Tagalongs, crunchy Do-si-dos, buttery Trefoils, sweet S'mores, toffee-chipped Toffee-tastics (gluten free, too!), and more. Cookies are on sale for only \$5 per package! Girls can accept orders safely in-person or through Digital Cookie 7.0. This digital platform allows girls to take electronic orders for cookies. Customers can now order and pay for cookies online and have the option to have the cookies shipped directly to them (shipping charges apply), have a Girl Scout offer contactless delivery of cookies to their door, or donate cookies (with no additional handling fees).

Don't know a Girl Scout? Visit [www.girlscoutsni.org/buycookies](http://www.girlscoutsni.org/buycookies) to be connected to a local entrepreneur who would love to add you to her customer list!

During Girl Scout Cookie season, each local Girl Scout sets out to sell delectable cookies while also building entrepreneurial and business skills imperative for leadership and future success. All the net revenue raised—100 percent of it—stays within our northern Illinois area.

Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois uses cookie earnings to power amazing experiences for girls through their programming, while girls and their troops decide how to invest in impactful community projects, personal enrichment opportunities, and more. Skills girls learn in the cookie program also influence later success as data shows more than half (57 percent) of Girl Scout alumnae in business say the cookie program was beneficial to skills they possess today, such as money management, goal-setting, and public speaking.

**Wondering Why Girl Scouts?**

At Girl Scouts, girls are our first and only priority. And they always will be. See how girls prepare for leadership, adventure, and success at [why.girlscouts.org](http://why.girlscouts.org). This dynamic digital experience showcases Girl Scouts as a powerhouse where girls develop key skills for a lifetime. Learn more at [why.girlscouts.org](http://why.girlscouts.org) today! Girl Scouts don't just dream big; we take action. Are you ready to change the world with us? [www.girlscouts.org/all](http://www.girlscouts.org/all)

**We're Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois**

We believe every girl can change the world. With us, Girl Scouts develop the independence and confidence to guide their own lives and build a better world. We put girls in the driver's seat and encourage them to customize their own experience. With programs focused on the outdoors, career and interest exploration, travel and global community, and practical life skills, in addition to community service projects, every girl can unlock her potential and be amazing!

We serve 16 counties including parts or all of Boone, Carroll, Cook, DeKalb, DuPage, Jo Daviess, Kane, Kendall, Lake, LaSalle, Lee, McHenry, Ogle, Stephenson, Whiteside, and

Winnebago. To volunteer, reconnect, donate, or join, visit [www.girlscoutsni.org](http://www.girlscoutsni.org) or call 844-GSNI-4-ME (844-476-4463).

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