



## Mid Week Cookie Break

January 21-27



### Next Few Important Dates

- Jan 29 – Last day for parents/families to submit an initial order through Digital Cookie, **8:59pm** AKST
- Jan 30 – Troop Order/Initial Order due in eBudde, 11:59pm AKST
- Jan 30 – Initial Order Rewards submission due, 11:59pm AKST
- Jan 31 – Service unit cookie manager deadline for initial order edits and cookie cupboard orders
- Feb 1 – Troop Links/Virtual Booths available for set up.



### Troop Order/Initial Order Reminders

We are coming up on initial order/troop order deadline. Here are some very important reminders:

- The deadline for parents/families to submit their order in Digital Cookie is Jan 29 at 8:59pm AKST time.
- You can find a detailed training video for parents/families under “Digital Cookie Resources” on the [Volunteer Cookie Resources page](#) of our website it is also linked [here](#).
- If you would like to move the deadline earlier for your troop families to submit their initial order, you may do so on the “Settings” tab [in eBudde](#).
- Troop leaders or cookie managers must review any girl line that says “needs reviewed” in orange and save in eBudde. This will turn into a green “saved” notation. Orders marked “needs reviewed” will not be included in the initial order until they are reviewed and saved.
- If a troop submits their order to the council before a parent submits their girls initial order to the troop, the girls order will not be added to the already submitted troop order.
- Cookie booth orders are placed in [packages](#) not cases.
- Service unit managers and council representatives will be checking in on troops with large cookie orders to make sure they are prepared for the season. Don't be worried if we call to check in on the order you placed, we just want to make sure you are set up for success.

**Troop order/initial order office hours**  
 Join Abigail on Zoom for help with initial order/troop order questions. Abigail will be able to answer technical questions, booth questions, order questions, and more.  
 Saturday, January 27, 1pm  
 Sunday, January 28, 10am  
 Monday, January 29, 2pm  
 Monday, January 29, 6:30pm  
[Register here](#) to receive the Zoom link.



### Cookie Program News

#### Cookie Booths

A few more cookie booth locations are still being confirmed. We will upload any new locations to eBudde as we get confirmations. If there is a location you were at last year, that you have not seen yet, we are most likely waiting for their final confirmation. Troop booths may now be entered into eBudde. Directions for how to do this are available on page 23 of the Troop Cookie Manual.

#### Troop site setup

Digital Cookie Troop Site set up begins February 1. Troop Sites are not available for set up until then. Directions to do this are on page 25 of the Troop Cookie Manual.

#### Travel

Did you know [Cadette, Senior, and Ambassador](#) troops who are planning an approved Girl Scout trip can opt-out of cookie rewards in exchange for a \$0.15/package bonus in troop proceeds? Learn more at [girlscoutsalaska.org/travel](http://girlscoutsalaska.org/travel) under “How to fund your trip.” Opt-out requests must be submitted by February 1, so don't wait! Troop level is defined by the level of the [youngest](#) Girl Scout in the troop. Girls in troops that include younger Girl Scouts can still earn travel funds by trading in their earned GEMS!

**Troop Readiness Bonus**  
*January 30 is the last day to complete the Troop Readiness Bonus.*  
 Be sure to complete the gsLearn training series by January 30, if your troop is hoping to earn the Troop Readiness Bonus of an additional \$0.05 per package this season! Note: once you have completed all the modules, a staff member must check off that you have completed them in gsLearn for the entire course to show as complete. We check for completed accounts several times a day.



### What to Remind Caregivers

- Remind caregivers to submit their initial order or turn in their order cards.
- Remind caregivers of our social media policies.
- Remind caregivers that pre-orders are promises to buy cookies later. We don't collect money for in-person orders until we have cookies in Alaska.



### Anything Else?

Send us your pictures! We want to see your Girl Scout Troop in action! We would love pictures of all the adventures your troop is participating in. Please send pictures, with parent's permission, to [customercare@girlscoutsalaska.org](mailto:customercare@girlscoutsalaska.org). We use these pictures on social media and in publications like the troop cookie manual!

Did you miss a past Cookie Break? Find them all [here](#).

Check out the events page on our website [here!](#)

Contact council at [customercare@girlscoutsalaska.org](mailto:customercare@girlscoutsalaska.org) or (907) 248-2250.



Happy Cookie Break!  
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Have a question? Don't be shy!  
[Contact us](#) for more information.

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