

GSSEM's Outdoor Skills Patch Program

Get Outdoors to Discover, Connect, and Take Action!

This patch program consists of 28 mini patches that cover a variety of outdoor topics.

Earning Patches

Outdoor Skills mini patches attach to the main Outdoor Skills patch via hook and loop. The main patch may be added to your vest before earning mini patches.

Outdoors Skills mini patches are earned:

- On your own: Do your research and GO! (Get Outdoors) with your family to earn a mini patch.
- Attending events: Events through your council, local nature center or businesses who provide adventures based on your patch of choice are great ways to GO! (Get Outdoors) and earn a mini patch.



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STEPS TO EARN YOUR PATCH

- **Discover:** Learn about the mini patch topic
- **Connect:** Practice the skills with family or friends
- **Take Action:** Get Outdoors and apply what you learned, share with your friends!

Where are the patches placed on the vest/sash?

These are patches, patches on the back or side of the sash/vest. We recommend hanging them from the side/back of the vest or sash.

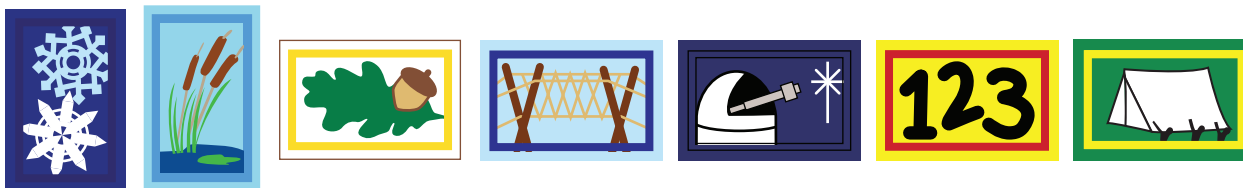
Outdoor Skills Mini Patches



Orienteering, Hiking, First-Aid, Fire Building, Knife Skills, Shelter Building, Animal Tracking, Leave No Trace, Knot Tying, Outdoor Cooking

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Outdoor Fun Mini Patches



Winter Activities, Conservation, Nature, Team Building, Astronomy, Outdoor Basics, Tent Building

Outdoor Adventure Mini Patches



Horsemanship, Climbing, Slingshot, Fishing, Archery, Backpacking, Paddle Sports, Cycling

Outdoor Skills Leadership Awards

Older girls who have earned an Outdoor Skills mini-patch may earn leadership mini-patches by teaching the skill to younger girls, each Leadership Level are each earned once.

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One star: Assist an adult who is teaching a mini patch skill that you have earned.



Two stars: Teach a skill for a mini patch you've previously earned. An adult may supervise but not teach.



Three stars: Teach two different skills for mini patches you have previously earned. An adult will supervise but not teach.



Four stars: Help organize and run an Outdoor Skills Day event.

For more information, please email our Outdoor Education team at outdooreducation@gsssem.org.

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