**Girl Scouts North Carolina Coastal Pines** invites girls, families, and volunteers to stay involved while at home. We know that today's girl is ready to pivot on a moment's notice and is willing to embrace new ways to explore Girl Scouting. That's why we're promoting these options for engaging with us while you're at home today ... or any day!

### LIFE SKILLS, ENTREPRENEURSHIP & FINANCE

shares activities, tips, and tricks each Wednesday for developing the skills necessary to prepare her to do amazing things for herself and her community, and grow into the incredible woman she's destined to become.

Join the conversation online. #OurGSNCCPCommunity



### We want your questions!!

Coming <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>April 15</u>, tune in to <u>DISCOVER</u> the world of Information Technology and <u>CONNECT</u> with our very own Girl Scouts – North Carolina Coastal Pines, IT Professional, Shanika Corrica. Shanika is excited to share her journey to how she got to her role as an IT professional, so let's hear your questions! <u>Submit your questions for Shanika</u>, <u>click here</u>.

### Reach for the Stars!

Did you know that April is Financial Literacy month? That's right! Now is the perfect time to learn healthy financial habits to last you a lifetime. Here at Girl Scouts North Carolina Coastal Pines, we want YOU to be the boss of your money. Whether it's saving up to buy something special, donating money to help someone in need, or learning how to invest your money for the future, we want you to dream BIG and reach for the stars.

## Dream Big!

Here's a fun activity that Girl Scouts of all ages can enjoy. Spend some time daydreaming about what *you'd* like to do with money. Try coming up with a couple ideas for each of the below categories:

**Save** – What's something you want to save up for so you can do it <u>in the future</u>? Maybe you want to go on a trip with your Girl Scout troop, hope to go to camp next year, or are thinking about going to college.

**Share** – What are some causes you want to support? Maybe you want to help feed kids who don't have enough to eat, support your local animal shelter to find pets new homes, or want to give money to help people who are sick.

**Spend** – What do you really want to buy? Maybe you're dreaming about a giant trampoline for your backyard, buying a special gift for your friend's birthday, or a necklace you saw at the store.

#### Get creative!

You can draw pictures of your ideas, write a story, or even act out your ideas with a family member. Think about how good it will feel when you finally reach a goal like purchasing your own bike, adopting a cat from the shelter, or saving up for camp or college! Be sure to share your goals with others so they can encourage you along the way. With careful planning, money helps make these goals possible.

# Getting Down to Business... with the "Let it Grow" Patch Program

Looking to learn more and earn a patch in the process? We can help! In fact, we've partnered with Fidelity Investments to help girls at every age level reach for the stars when it comes to their money. The "Let it Grow" patch program introduces Girl Scouts to investing for their future. Each girl who earns a level of the "Let It Grow" patch program is eligible for the "Let It Grow" patch and the patch for the level she earned (shipping fees apply as this is not a GS-NCCP patch). Click one of the links below to get started!

Thinking About My Future (Daisy, Brownie, Junior)

Investing In Others (Daisy, Brownie, Junior)

<u>Investing In Business</u> (Daisy, Brownie, Junior)

<u>Investing In College</u> - (Cadette, Senior, Ambassador)

\*see below for special resources available for a limited time

Investing In Home (Cadette, Senior, Ambassador)

Investing In Retirement (Cadette, Senior, Ambassador)

Once you've completed your patch requirements, you can request your patch by following the instructions here: <u>Let It Grow Patch Order Form</u>

## Cadettes, Seniors, Ambassadors – Earn your "Investing In College" Patch TODAY!

Education after high school is a big investment in yourself and your financial future. That's why we've recorded a series of on-demand videos to help Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors meet the requirements to earn the <a href="Investing In College">Investing In College</a> patch. Watch all the videos today or work on the patch a little at a time – it's up to you!

#### To Complete:

- 1. Be a Girl Scout Cadette, Senior, or Ambassador at Girl Scout North Carolina Coastal Pines.
- 2. Download and print the Investing in College Workbook here.
- 3. Click <u>here</u> to find all the videos. You're well on your way to a new patch... and to financial literacy, too!
- 4. When you've finished all the videos, request your free patch by following the instructions here: <a href="Investing in College Video Survey">Investing in College Video Survey</a>.

\*For a limited time, GS-NCCP is offering free shipping for the Investing in College patch. Free shipping applies to the first 60 Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors or Ambassadors who complete the patch requirements and our online survey. After the 60 patches are redeemed, girls will need to request their patches utilizing the Let It Grow Patch Order Form on our website.

Need a copy of a Journey, badge requirements or want to order patches? While our shops are closed, please feel free to <a href="shop online">shop online</a> or <a href="email">email</a> us for merchandise needs. We will provide free shipping within in our council footprint on orders emailed to us (please provide phone number in email so we can call you for payment details).