

State College Girl Scouts Winter Outdoor Challenge

December 1, 2021- March 15, 2022

Complete activities from the list to earn the Outdoor Challenge Patch and Winter rocker. Daisies should complete 15 items, Brownies/Juniors 20, Cadettes 25, and Seniors/Ambassadors 30 items.

Name _____

Troop Number _____

Level _____

Winter Fun

- Have a winter fire and make s'mores or another warm snack.
- Make snow angels
- Have snowball fight
- Build a snowman/snow fort - post a picture
- Have a tallest snowman contest
- Make your own snow paint
- Go ice skating outdoors
- Go sledding
- Go snow tubing
- Go downhill skiing
- Go snowboarding
- Go snowmobiling
- Play an outdoor game
- Go cross country skiing
- Go snowshoeing
- Run in a race
- Try another winter sport not on this list _____
- Look at snowflakes with a magnifying glass
- Take a walk to see winter decorations.
- Attend an outdoor winter sporting event
- Make an ice lantern
- Go on a winter scavenger hunt
- Learn about a new sport in the Winter Olympics; stage a mock event in your backyard
- Make a wreath or centerpiece with natural materials
- I did this cool winter thing _____

*Local/Cultural

- Visit 2 State Parks. Take some photos of ice

- formations or other winter scenes
- Help hang outdoor winter/holiday decorations with your family
- Visit the Bellefonte Under the Lights Winter Market
- Attend the Cold Full Moon Watch at Black Mo St Park
- Attend First Night State College. Take a picture with your favorite ice sculpture.
- Attend a First Day Hike at a PA State Park
- Visit a National Park
- Go on the Christmas Wreath Scavenger Hunt at Greenwood Furnace State Park
- Go on the Snowman Scavenger Hunt at Little Buffalo State Park
- Attend Valentines for the Birds or Superb Owl Celebration at Shaver's Creek
- Attend another outdoor winter festival or cultural event not on this list _____

*Outdoor Skills

- Go winter camping. Explain how to choose a good campsite.
- Go on a winter hike. Identify the essential clothing and gear needed for a lengthy hike or overnight stay outdoors in the winter.
- Learn to build a snow cave, snow trench, quinzhee, brush, or other outdoor shelter.

- Help shovel your driveway or walk; bonus point if you shovel for your neighbor
- Build a winter campfire and cook a meal; what are good sources of firewood in winter?
- How can you find and purify drinking water in the winter?
- Go ice fishing
- Learn to check ice thickness/conditions for safety before a range of activities on the ice.

*Science/Astronomy

- What is a solstice? Hold a solstice celebration.
- View the Geminids meteor shower 12/13-14
- View the Ursids Meteor Shower 12/21
- View the Quadrantids Meteor Shower Jan 3-4
- Make a plaster cast of animal footprints
- Identify local wildlife. Which animals hibernate in the winter and which do not? How do animals from each group prepare for winter?
- Learn to identify trees without their leaves. Make a Winter Tree ID photo book.
- What are pollinators and why are they important? What are some things you can do in your yard or garden to help support them over the winter?

*Cadettes must choose at least 6 of their items from these categories; Seniors/Ambassadors must choose 9