

# Earth Day Patch Sponsored by FLUOR

Join us in celebrating Earth Day!

Girls will learn about making the world a better place and using resources wisely during Earth Day celebrations. Follow this guide to earn this free patch!

Questions? Email program@gsnetx.org





### 1. Learn about the History of Earth Day

Review at least two of the links below or research on your own by reading and watching videos.

- Read about the history of Earth Day on <u>Earthday.org</u>
- Learn 50 fun facts about Earth Day
- Read about how <u>different cities celebrate Earth</u>
  <u>Day</u>
- Watch <u>this video</u> for some simple tips on how to help the planet
- Want to me an Earth Day warrior? Watch <u>this</u> <u>video!</u>



#### 2. Take Action

Complete at least three of the take action options below for an Earth Day project:

- On April 22nd, take some time to unplug for an hour or more. Make a point to turn off lights and other electronics when they are not in use.
- Share what you learned about Earth Day by creating a poster. You can also create a digital poster on Canva. Think about adding pictures that you take of the nature around you.
- Create an Earth Day fun fact video using the facts you learned in the first section. Then post this video on social media and tag GSNETX, or share your video to media@gsnetx.org



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- Go on a nature scavenger hunt to see all the wonders of nature! Use this downloadable scavenger hunt for your walk.
- Find a new walking path or hike to explore. Plan the walk or hike with your friends, family, or troop members. Think about what supplies you'll need to bring for this too.
- Connect with your local Keep Texas Beautiful department and get your troop together to clean up a local park. Use the list at the end of this guide to help you clean up your community.
- Go to the store and get a pot and soil to plant fruits, vegetables, herbs, or wildflowers. If you have room, start a garden in your backyard too.



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- Take pictures of the beauty around you and find art in nature. Look for things outside that bring you happiness and peace. You can also create a piece of art with flowers, leaves, branches, and other things you see in nature!
- Use your voice to write a letter or email to your local representatives about the importance of Earth Day and ask what they plan to do to keep your community clean.
- Complete a Girl Scout Environmental Patch.
  - o Earn your <u>Tree Promise Patch</u>
  - o Earn your Girl Scouts Climate Change Patch
  - Earn one of the outdoor badges for your program level
- Visit Earthday.org, National Geographic Kids, or Girl Scouts USA to find more ideas



# 3. Organize a Clean Up

- Pick a time, date, and place that you want to clean up.
- Connect with your local Keep Texas Beautiful contact. They will provide a location (if you don't already have one), trash bags, trash pick-up sticks, and gloves.
- Pick up the clean-up materials from your city.
- If you choose not to go through a city, plan on getting trash bags and gloves.
- Wear clothes that will help you stay safe! If it is cold, wear long sleeves and a jacket. Make sure you wear sunscreen, closed toed shoes, and always bring water.
- Take pictures of you, your troop, and your family having fun and email it to <a href="media@gsnetx.org">media@gsnetx.org</a>!



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\*\*If your city is not listed here, please visit your city's website and look for the parks and recreation department\*\*



### Badges!

This patch has helped you complete some of these badges!

#### Daisy:

- Trail Adventure
- Eco Learner
- Outdoor Art Maker

#### Brownie:

- Brownie Trail
  Adventure
- Bugs
- Eco Friend
- Hiker
- Outdoor Adventurer
- Outdoor Art Creator

#### Junior:

- Gardener
- Flowers
- Outdoor Art Explorer

#### Cadette:

- Cadette Trail Adventure
- Eco Trekker

#### Senior:

- Senior Trail Adventure
- Outdoor Art Expert

#### Ambassador:

- Ambassador Trail
  Adventure
- Outdoor Art Maker