

Happy New Year Troop Leaders/Cookie Managers! (this is a long, but important update...promise the rest will be shorter)

As of January 1st, we have the green light to **SELL** those cookies! Most troops have picked up their packets and are ready to rock and roll. Please reach out to Marsha for any last minute packet pick ups!

And, can we get a huge thank you to Marsha for entering ALL the info into eBudde this year! We are so lucky to have her! :)

Below are a few reminders and more importantly **RULES** about cookies booths.

If you were around last year, we had a hiccup with a 3 Leaves Troop double booking a Kroger out of our area. This year, the Service Unit Cookie managers from the surrounding areas came together to set down some basic "booth rules" that we all agreed upon, to ensure we are all playing nice!

1. **Walmarts & Sam's Clubs.** Troop leaders and cookie managers may NOT reach out to these businesses independently. We share these locations with multiple service units AND GSUSA signs an agreement each year that allows ONE person to set up the dates/slots for cookie booths and manage the process. I already got an email that one of our troops approached the Clairmont Sam's Club and tried to book 3 booths. **Y'all, can we please stop being THAT service unit that doesn't play by the rules?!** If you're not sure you are contacting a place that is OK, reach out to us first.
2. **Walmart & Sam's Sign Up Genius.** Once the SUCM secures the dates and time slots for the Walmart/Sams Clubs, each troop will be allowed to sign up for ONE slot. I will send an email out before the Sign Up goes live so you can all set a reminder. We share the Sam's on Clairmont, the Sam's on Mountain Industrial in Tucker, the Tucker Walmart & Neighborhood Market and the Chamblee Walmart. You are welcome to sign up for a booth at each location. Tucker is much smaller service unit, so there should be plenty of good opportunities at these locations.
3. **Kroger's.** As I said above, we had a troop outside of the 3 Leaves lines last year at a Kroger that got double booked. As for **Krogers**, we share the **Toco Hills** location with Daisy Ridge Service Unit, as well as the **Tucker, Northlake, and Embry Hills** Kroger with the Tucker Service Unit. **We are NOT allowed to sell at the N. Decatur Rd Kroger.** I repeat, we DO NOT sell at the N. Decatur RD KROGER!!! :)
4. **Booths Outside of 3 Leaves Lines.** Finally, there are several troops that fall in the 3 Leaves school district with troops that meet or live outside of those school district lines. Yes, you fellow GLOBERS and also International Montessori. What we agreed to with the neighboring service units was that for the first 2 weeks of cookie booths, we would be a good neighbor and stay within our district lines. We know some folks have personal contact with businesses outside of 3 Leaves and we just ask that you give girls in that area the first two weeks to sell in their own service unit. Just think how ticked off we would be if a Brookhaven troop was parked at Oak Grove Market the first week of cookie booths. \*Gasp\*

5. **Booth Questions.** If you have questions about a booth idea and want to run it by us first, please do. For example, the new Sprouts is already a no-go and most of us veterans know that Publix will not allow selling of any kind.

Again, cookie selling should be fun and I suggest ALL parents involved review the GS Law. I'd like to be known for classy cookie managers and troops who exude kindness and fair play! Let's get off the naughty list this year!