



## **SciGirls Season Five: Celebrating Computer Science!**

Power up for some sensational STEM: *SciGirls* Season Five is all about computer science and coding! Check out some fast facts about the Emmy Award-winning series that *Parenting Magazine* calls “cool stuff!”

- *SciGirls*, a PBS KIDS series targeting girls ages 8-13, showcases curious, smart and *real* girls—not actors—putting science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) to work.
- Each half-hour episode follows a different group of real-life SciGirls and their adult role models—women STEM professionals—as they embark on STEM adventures in cities nationwide.
- *SciGirls*’ fifth season illuminates and celebrates coding, the computer science skill critical to 21<sup>st</sup> century STEM learning and career exploration. The five new half-hour episodes feature girls working with women computer scientists and high-tech STEM professionals. Together, the girls and their role models use coding to solve problems, build community and have fun!
- Episodes are filmed in five different locations across the U.S., and feature girls from diverse cultures, backgrounds and experiences.
- Season Five also includes “Code Quest,” an innovative new online game, featured on [PBSKids.org/scigirls](https://pbskids.org/scigirls). Gaming is a popular destination on the *SciGirls* website, and this new digital challenge will empower kids to learn real-life coding skills while learning about marine life.
- *SciGirls* Season Five outreach includes nationwide youth activities and professional development workshops that empower educators to use *SciGirls*’ research-based practices and resources.
- The *SciGirls Strategies*, which are research-based approaches to gender equitable and culturally responsive STEM instruction, form the basis of all *SciGirls* content.
- All educational media will be available in both English and Spanish at [scigirlsconnect.org](https://scigirlsconnect.org).
- *SciGirls*’ [pbskids.org](https://pbskids.org) website features mobile-friendly games, episodes and additional video content.
- *SciGirls* is made possible by a generous grant from the National Science Foundation. Additional funding is provided by the Cargill Foundation, The Craig Newmark Foundation and the PPG Foundation.
- *SciGirls* is produced for PBS by [Twin Cities PBS \(TPT\)](https://www.twin-cities-pbs.org/), creator of the long-running PBS children’s science series *Newton’s Apple* and *DragonflyTV*.

**SCIGIRLS SEASON FIVE PREMIERES ON PBS STATIONS AND PBSKIDS.ORG/SCIGIRLS ON DECEMBER 12th!  
(Check local listings.)**



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