# **Girl Scouts Supports Schools**

A Resource Guide for K-12 Educators and Supporters

#### Low cost or FREE programs available!

## How Girl Scouts can meet your school's needs:

Girl Scout Troop Information Night	<ul> <li>Help build community by distributing invitations sent from Girl Scouts to girl families inviting them to a Girl Scouts information night. These after school events include FREE activities for families and information for parents on how to find a neighborhood troop and join Girl Scouts.</li> <li>These can be done virtually, or schools can provide space for Girl Scouts to host an information night in accordance to local guidelines. Ideal locations are gymnasiums, cafeterias, outdoor classrooms, or parking lots.</li> </ul>
School- based Troops	<ul> <li>Schools proved an after-school troop option aligned with their current after-school programs allowing working families to register girls and participate through the school. The program is delivered on site (or virtually) and is an excellent way to build friendship and understanding amongst students.</li> <li>School-based troops can meet during free periods or morning care times.</li> <li>Girl Scouts has trained staff available to help lead troops and provide programming at your school.</li> </ul>
Specialize d Interest Girl Scout Troops	<ul> <li>Utilize our programs to match your school and students' interests. With program material available in robotics, coding, community service, healthy living, civics and outdoors, Girl Scouts can help supplement your clubs' activities.</li> <li>Girl Scouts' inclusive program supports faith communities through the "My Promise. My Faith" pin curriculum that allows girls to explore their faith and the Girl Scout Promise. This can be done in a 4 to 6- week series</li> </ul>
Individual Girl Scouts	<ul> <li>Mentor and build relationship with student by supporting "Individually Registered Members". Girls would be participating outside of the troop option and would be able to select programs based on their interests and schedule.</li> <li>Parents, teachers, or advisors can support girls on their independent participation by meeting with girls monthly to check in on their Girl Scout experience. This option is best suited for fourth graders and up with a dedicated adult.</li> </ul>
One-time Girl Scout Program	<ul> <li>Girl Scouts can come to you school to host a school selected program for your families. Girl Scouts can provide STEMWorkshops, Family Math Nights, Financial Literacy for Girls, Science Nights, Space Exploration, Women Suffragist and more.</li> <li>Invite Girl Scouts to participate at school carnivals or other family nights. We can provide fun, education activities for your families.</li> </ul>

### Why Girl Scouts? Girl Scouts helps girls do well in the classroom and beyond!

While the Girl Scout mission is not focused on improving girls' test scores or grades in school, *The Girl Scout Impact Study*\* shows that more Girl Scouts than non-Girl Scouts earn "excellent" grades.

And although most girls—regardless of Girl Scout status—expect to graduate from high school, Girl Scouts are more likely than non-Girl Scouts to have college graduation in their sights.

Girl Scouts shine above their peers in leadership, academics, career aspirations and hope for the future.

#### **Benefits:**

- · Flexible and fluid to meet the ever-changing needs of schools
- · Online, in-person, hybrid program options available
- A variety of research-proven and age-appropriate programs that are girl-led, cooperative, and hands-on, and that cultivate important skills
- Ready to go curriculum for parents, teachers, or school volunteers to easily implement with girls
- Online training and continued support and learning for adults participating in the Girl Scout program. Ask about our FREE adult memberships and background checks for new adult volunteers.
- Low annual membership dues: \$25. Financial assistance may be available. Ask about what Girl Scouts can financially provide to schools who have girls interested in participating

