



**Girl Scouts of Southeastern Michigan**

# **Operational Volunteer Position Description Outdoor Education Advocate**

## **Purpose of Position**

To promote outdoor opportunities, assist in the development of local outdoor events, and to mentor, guide and assist troop leaders in providing outdoor experiences to girls.

## **Term of Appointment**

Appointed for one year. Eligible for reappointment annually.

## **Supervised by**

Outdoor Education Specialist

## **Specific Responsibilities**

- To effectively communicate and advocate information to volunteers and families in your community about outdoor opportunities.
- Actively promote camp opportunities, including trainings, within your community.
- Instruct and assist leaders and parents on how to register for a camping or outdoor experience.
- Provide a structure for mentoring new troops before and during camping experiences.
- Recruit a network of volunteers to help assist the GSSEM Outdoor Education Team in their execution of camp and outdoor events.
- Help find opportunities in the local community that are aligned to the Girl Scout Leadership Experience.
- Make connections in the community with outdoor education providers to establish program opportunities that align with the Girl Scout Leadership Experience
- Advise/support volunteers who are taking their girls to a camp or outdoor education experience
- Provide volunteer and membership feedback to the GSSEM Outdoor Education Team as related to programs and events.
- Participate in GSSEM learning opportunities to remain current on job duties.

## **Requirements Knowledge and Experience**

- Be a registered adult member of GSUSA and support the Girl Scout Mission, Promise and Law.
- Have a council-approved background check on file.
- Complete training specific to the Outdoor Education Programs Coordinator Position.
- Have no debt owed to GSSEM or its troops/groups.
- Adhere to GSUSA and GSSEM policies, guidelines, standards, and procedures.
- Support and promote the Girl Scout Leadership Experience
- Serve as a positive example for girls by modeling behaviors such as reliability, respect for others, inclusiveness, and a positive attitude.