

## Girl Scouts of Southeastern Michigan Parent/Guardian Agreement

Our children learn by example. All Girl Scout volunteers endeavor to follow and teach the Girl Scout Promise and Law. Parents/guardians can support this message by supporting the values outlined in the Girl Scout Promise and Law themselves. To ensure troop members have the best possible Girl Scout experience, please read through and acknowledge the following agreement.

## As a caregiver of a Girl Scout, I agree to:

- Be a positive role model for troop members by upholding the Girl Scout Promise and Law in all troop meetings, outings, and communications.
- Ensure my Girl Scout upholds the Girl Scout Promise and Law and any other behavioral guidelines set by the troop.
- Adhere to all Girl Scouts of Southeastern Michigan safety guidelines as listed in the Safety Activity Checkpoints and Volunteer Essentials at all troop meetings and outings.
- Support Troop Leaders by submitting requested items (e.g. money owed for product programs, and permission slips) to troop leadership in a timely manner.
- Demonstrate an active interest in my Girl Scout's participation in troop activities by being present at any caregiver meetings I can attend.
- Communicate with Troop Leaders and caregivers in a positive manner by addressing any concerns I have regarding the troop directly with troop leadership, and not in the presence of the troop or other caregivers. If I have concerns I was unable to resolve with troop leadership, I will contact our Member Support Specialist for next steps.
- Refrain from unnecessarily negative and/or critical language, any harassing posts, or posting inaccurate information on any social platform including, but not limited to troop and GSSEM social media and Rallyhood.
- Recognize Girl Scouting is girl-led by demonstrating support and respecting the opinions and goals of my Girl Scout and other troop members.
- Support Girl Scouts' efforts to provide an inclusive environment for all and uphold a zero-tolerance for behavior that may be deemed as bullying and/or intimidating.
- Support my Girl Scout's participation in product programs and follow the GSSEM requirements for the distribution of rewards.
- Do my best to seek additional ways for my Girl Scout to participate in Girl Scouting in addition to the troop by periodically checking the Girl Scouts of Southeastern Michigan event calendar or supporting badge attainment.

I understand my behavior directly impacts my Girl Scout's ability to participate in a troop or other Girl Scout activities. I will honor this agreement so my Girl Scout can have a high-quality Girl Scout Leadership Experience.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Troop Leader Signature

Date