

Dear Parent;

In today's fast-paced, jam-packed world, children have a myriad of activities competing for their attention. So why choose Girl Scouting? Because we can give girls the courage, confidence, and character they need to be successful in today's world.

No one knows girls quite like the Girl Scouts, and we are eager to put that knowledge to work for your daughter. Girl Scouting is all about personal leadership development for girls ages 5-17. Long after she stops playing soccer, or grows out of her ballet shoes, your daughter will still be using the skills she gains in Girl Scouts. She will use her leadership skills in her first job. She will use the business skills she developed selling cookies when she is asked to do a presentation for that big client, and she'll know how to take on a neighborhood project for her kids' school because she learned organization in all the service projects she helped plan as a girl. And better than that, she'll make new friends and have fun! By registering her in Girl Scouting for the school year, you're making a real investment in her future.

To register your daughter, just complete the attached forms and return them with payment to your daughter's troop leader or to a local Girl Scout volunteer.

The membership registration fee is \$10 and goes directly to GSUSA for her Girl Scout membership. For those who may need a little help, financial aid is available through the council. Your daughter's registration fee can be paid by (1) Cookie Credits from the 2006 cookie sale, available from her troop leader; (2) Troop treasury funds, if the troop determines to use their funds that way; (3) Council financial aid; and /or (4) Cash, check or money order made payable to **Girl Scout Council of Vermont**.

As a Girl Scout, your daughter is an important member of **the circle of friends that is the Girl Scout Council of Vermont**. Did you know that her Girl Scout experiences are planned and developed for Vermont girls, right here in Vermont? It costs the Girl Scout Council of Vermont \$315 annually to provide Girl Scouting to each girl. Therefore, I encourage you to become a Family Partner by making a gift along with your daughter's membership fee to ensure the continuation of **Girl Scouting in Vermont**. Last year the average gift to Family Partnership was \$25. Donations of all amounts are welcome, greatly appreciated, totally optional, and 100% tax deductible! No girl is ever denied access to Girl Scouting because of her family's inability to give to Family Partnership or to pay the registration fee. Your donation, combined with those of others, enables us to bring the **fun and friendship of Girl Scouting** to your daughter, your co-workers' daughters, and your community's daughters.

Thank you for your support of your daughter's Girl Scout experience. We can't wait to provide her with another exciting year in Girl Scouting!

Yours in Girl Scouting,



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