

Volunteer Position Description:

Outdoor Skills Instructor

Purpose: To serve as a hands-on educator and mentor for volunteers in helping them build essential outdoor skills to prepare them for rustic outdoor adventures which provide quality girl-led programming, progression, and enjoyment.

Commitment To:

- GSCB Volunteers
- Girl Members
- GSCB

Duration: Upon successfully completing a one-year appointment, you will have the option to renew your role upon mutual agreement between yourself and council staff.

Responsibilities & Duties:

- Support volunteers in their development of outdoor skills such as outdoor cooking, fire building, Leave No Trace, hiking safety, knot tying, knife skills, etc.
- Advocate for participation in outdoor programming and events by promoting council events and ways to get girls outdoors for age-appropriate activities.
- Support volunteers as they provide outdoor/environmental education experiences for their troops.
- Review and reinforce skills learned in outdoor trainings and importance of Leave No Trace.
- Promote safe camping through use of Safety Activity Checkpoints and Property Guidelines.
- Educate volunteers about outdoor programs, i.e., small craft, swimming, archery.
- Help develop and implement training, as requested by GSCB.
- Promote the use of all GSCB facilities and help to educate volunteers in the property reservation process.
- Serve as resource person for outdoor/environmental education.
- Attend annually appropriate training.
- Follow all processes and procedures, as directed by Girl Scouts of the USA and Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay.
- Adhere to GSCB in person training structure when facilitating training

Training Requirements:

- Extensive experience in outdoor activities including camping, hiking, Leave No Trace, fire building, outdoor cooking, knot tying and knife skills.
- Demonstration of skills and ability to teach others.

General Requirements:

- Current membership with Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay.
- Successfully completed the volunteer screening process, including background checks, training, and additional steps, as necessary.
- Participate in on going Girl Scout learning and networking opportunities.
- Maintain confidentiality.
- Access, ability, and willingness to utilize technology, including an active email address.
- Behave in a manner that upholds the Girl Scout Promise & Law in all interactions with the public, Girl Scout members, and GSCB staff.
- Provide the requested feedback surrounding all aspects of Girl Scouting.

By accepting any volunteer position with Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay, I accept and agree to abide by the Girl Scout Promise and the Girl Scout Law. I will respect and maintain the confidentiality of all privileged information related to Girl Scouts, its girl and adult members, volunteers, and staff, while serving as a volunteer.

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