

How to Apply

Eligibility:

All applicants must be at least 14 years old by October 1 of the present year. Please read the position description for a full list of responsibilities.

Application Details:

The application and two reference forms must be received by Aug. 3, 2015. Fax or mail applications will be accepted. Candidates who are selected for an interview will be contacted and invited to the Chicago Gathering Place.

Contact:

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Girl Representatives to the Board of Directors



Speak Up, Stand Out

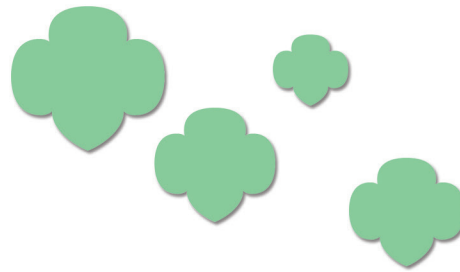
We know that you've got thoughts, ideas and opinions, and we need to hear them! We want girls who are passionate about Girl Scouting to share that love with council decision makers. Are you ready to make an impact on the ways Girl Scouting reaches your community and sister Girl Scouts?

Our board respects and values girls' voices. Girl leaders can express and share their enthusiasm for Girl Scouts with board members, council staff and the public. These offer a rare opportunity to play a role in furthering the Girl Scout movement.

As a girl representative to the board of directors, participants can apply what they've learned through Girl Scouts to a real-world leadership experience. These girls are presented with opportunities to interact with members of the board to offer first-hand accounts of what Girl Scouting means to them.

"I strongly encourage any Girl Scout looking to develop real world leadership experience to apply. The experience is more than just sitting around the table at meetings with the board of directors. It is unlike anything else you'll do in Girl Scouting or in high school and it is so, so valuable."

- **Hannah Mowery**



Girl Representative to the Board of Directors

Position Summary:

Girl Representatives to the Board of Directors ensure the voice of the girl is heard when decisions regarding the direction of the council are discussed. Girl Representatives must commit to attending regularly scheduled board meetings, as well as act as a Girl Scout liaison, ambassador and spokesperson.

Benefits:

- Demonstrates leadership on a college application
- Experience the boardroom setting
- Build communication skills
- Gain confidence
- Meet and network with top-level business professionals
- Represent sister Girl Scouts in our council
- Have an influence on board decisions that impact Girl Scouts



"My time as a girl representative has not only allowed me to understand how important the business operations of the board – the time, energy, and innovative thought – are to the life of our council, but also to give back to Girl Scouts like me in an important, meaningful way. I've met so many fun and inspiring women, girls, and men as a girl rep, and after this experience, I could not be more proud to be a part of today's GSUSA community." - **Joanne Dynak**

Board of Directors

Who are they?

The board of directors is an elected group of volunteers, both women and men, who believe in the value of Girl Scouting and the program's ability to build girls of courage, confidence and character, who make the world a better place.

Members are high-level professionals who represent our council's membership and reflect its racial/ethnic, geographic, gender, and age diversity.

What do they do?

Board members use their professional experiences and personal views to make decisions that affect the entire council. They establish policies to determine the organization's direction. They influence the budget, executive hiring, and strategy.