



Pathways Application
Pilot Program

Mission

Older girl members are the emerging leaders of tomorrow and it is vital to provide them with the skills and courage to thrive in a consistently changing global world. The proposed Black Diamond Pathways Program allows Girl Scouts to build skills in networking, business etiquette, money management and public speaking. The goal of this program is to expose girls to different career opportunities, so they are able to plan for their future. This program will work as a progression into the Older Girl Mentorship Program, a yearlong career immersion experience.

This is a pilot program with the intention to grow and expand to entire Council.

Grade Levels: 6th – 11th grade

Expectations

The group of girls selected for this program will engage in meaningful activity with Black Diamond Council staff, formal volunteers and outside guests. By applying to this program, girls are committed to participating in the planned activities scheduled throughout the membership year. Programs may take place on a monthly basis with a hybrid of virtual and in-person events. Participants will need to provide advance notice if they are unable to attend one of the scheduled events. Failure to comply will negatively impact the girl’s ability to participate in the mentorship program after graduating from pathways. Girls will also be required to complete orientation and multiple evaluations.

By signing below, both the girl member and guardian understand the time commitment and expectations.

The work of today is the history of tomorrow, and we are its makers.

- Juliette Gordon Low.

Girl Member Printed Name and Signature

Date

Guardian Name and Signature

Date

Applications along with recommendations must be submitted by June 30, 2022 to be considered. Applications must be submitted to katharina.fritzler@bdgsc.org with the subject line: Pathways Pilot Program.

Name:

Telephone:

Address:

City:

Zip:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Troop Number:

Current School

Grade for Upcoming Membership Year:

Name(s) of Parents/Guardians:

What days and times are you able to meet:

Mornings Afternoons Evenings

Sun Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri Sat

Individual schedule information:

I am able to meet via (check all that apply)

Conference Call Zoom In person

Briefly list any extracurricular activities along with the dates and times below. We know that you are busy and active in school and the community. We want to make sure we accommodate you to provide the best experience.

References:

In order to be considered for the program, your reference must submit a letter of recommendation to katharina.fritzler@bdgsc.org. Have them put **Pathways Program: (Your Name)** in the subject line. This must be received by **June 30**. Your reference must be a responsible adult who is not related or living in your household. Consider asking a troop leader/advisor, teacher, coach or a leader from your place of worship.

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email: _____

Please answer the questions below in a separate Microsoft Word document. Please make to attach the document when submitting your application.

1. What does Girl Scouts mean to you?

Briefly explain what Girl Scouts means to you and how it has impacted your life. What have you gained from being part of Girl Scouting? What did you learn from your experience? Did you acquire any new skills? What was the most memorable part of your Girl Scout experience? What would you tell others about Girl Scouting and your experience?

2. Why do you want to participate in Black Diamond Pathways?

Please explain why you want to be a part of this experience. What skills and qualities will you contribute to the group of girls that will share this experience with you?

3. Please identify the Black Diamond and Girl Scout Leadership experiences you have or plan to participate in.

- a. Community Service Projects or Journey Take Action Projects (Please list).
- b. Have you earned a Higher Award? If yes, please identify if it was Bronze, Silver or Gold. What was your project? What impact do you think your project had?
- c. Did you participate in leadership opportunities? Did you receive your Leader in Action/Program Aide training/pin? Briefly describe your experience and what you did to earn your hours?
- d. Have you participated in the Fall Product and/or Cookie sales? If so, what skills have you learned from these entrepreneurship programs? How did you or your troop use your earned money?

4. What activities most interest you? Please check all that apply.

_____ **Public Speaking** _____ **Travel** _____ **Career Shadowing**

_____ **Community Service**

_____ **Brand Building** _____ **Life Skills (during and after Girl Scouts).**

Applicant Signature _____ **Date** _____

Please contact customercare@bdgsc.org with any questions concerning the application.