

SENSITIVE ISSUES Parent/Guardian Permission form – Part One



Girl Scouts welcomes and serves girls and families from a wide spectrum of faiths and cultures. When girls wish to participate in discussions or activities that could be considered sensitive—even for some—put the topic on hold until you have spoken with parents and received guidance from council. When Girl Scout activities involve sensitive issues, your role is that of a caring adult who can help girls acquire skills and knowledge in a supportive atmosphere, not someone who advocates a particular position. Our role is to help girls develop self-confidence and good decision-making skills that will help them make wise choices in all areas of their lives.

Parents/guardians make all decisions regarding their girl’s participation in Girl Scout program that may be of a sensitive nature. As a volunteer leader, you must get written parental permission for any locally planned program offering that could be considered sensitive.

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Girl Scouts welcomes and serves girls and families from a wide spectrum of cultures. To be responsive to girls’ needs, some Girl Scout activities focus on subjects that may be considered sensitive in nature. There is no definitive list of sensitive issues.

Before covering any sensitive issue, either within or beyond the scope of Girl Scout program resources, we want to be sure parents are aware of the content before it is presented. Therefore, written approval is required for each girl to participate in any sensitive issue program.

Provided below is information about the appropriate age-level activities proposed. Please review and sign if you give or deny permission for your daughter to participate in these activities.

Program Title:	Program Date:	Program Time:
Program Location:	Program Facilitator:	
Program Description:		
Please check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> I have read the description of the activity planned. I understand that my Girl Scout will be exposed to issues and discussions that are, or could be, considered to be of a sensitive or controversial nature. I have discussed this activity and permit my Girl Scout to participate in the topic selected above. <input type="checkbox"/> I do not permit my Girl Scout to participate in the activity and discussion about the topics selected above.		
Parent/Guardian Name Printed:	Parent Guardian Signature:	
Phone Number:	Email Address:	
Return to Troop Leader by: Date To Be Entered by Troop Leader:		

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Girl Scout guidelines state that if information about sensitive issues will be part of an activity, the council must be notified if the material to be covered is *beyond the scope of what is in the Girl’s Guide to Girl Scouting, or the Journey books*, and must request permission for their troop to participate. A program facilitator should be identified to deliver content related to sensitive issue(s).

The troop permission form must be completed, signed, and submitted to the GS – NCCP Program Department at least 2 weeks prior to a program where sensitive issues will be discussed. Email the completed troop sensitive issues permission request forms to girlawards@nccoastalpines.org. Document retention best practices should be followed.

Dear Troop Leader,
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Provided below is information about the appropriate age-level activities proposed. Please review and sign if the council gives or denies permission for the troop to participate in these activities.

Program Title:	Program Date:	Program Time:
Program Location:	Program Facilitator:	
Program Description:		
Please check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> The Council provides permission for the troop to engage in the activity presented. <input type="checkbox"/> The Council does not permit the troop to engage in the activity presented.		
Council Staff Name Printed:	Council Staff Signature:	
Phone Number:	Email Address:	
Return to Troop Leader by: Date To Be Entered by Troop Leader:		