

## GOLD AWARD COMMITTEE POSITION DESCRIPTION

**TITLE:** Gold Award Committee Member

**TERM:** 1 year, Renewable Annually

**ACCOUNTABLE TO:** Program Director; Teen and Large Event Program Specialist

**PURPOSE:** Gold Award Committee Members foster success of the Gold Award program, ensuring that girls are the center of the program, while being positive champions for the Gold Award guidelines and standards of excellence established by GSUSA. They support, empower, and celebrate girls as they Go Gold and grow into the leaders of tomorrow, while upholding the mission, promise, and law of Girl Scouts.

### PRIMARY TASKS:

- Be knowledgeable about the Gold Award, including standards of excellence and processes as set forth by GSUSA and GSME and stay informed of any changes.
- Work with committee members to review and approve projects while providing meaningful feedback to girls in a supportive and welcoming format in conjunction with the Program Director and Teen & Large Event Program Specialist.
- When appointed, act as a Gold Award Mentor for the girl applicants. This includes conducting phone, virtual, or in-person pre-project meetings with girls; being available for their questions; advising or making suggestions when asked.
- Review and approve final reports, in accordance with the Proposal and Final Report Rubrics and the GSUSA Standards of Excellence.
- Regularly attend monthly meetings (connecting online).
- Check and respond to emails regularly (at least once per week).
- Work with committee members to review and revise Gold Award processes, trainings, and support materials as warranted.

### CORE COMPETENCIES:

- Be a registered member of the Girl Scouts of the USA
- Appreciation for and understanding of the Take Action model
- Commitment to inclusion of all girls, regardless of race, ethnicity, physical or mental differences, geographic location, socioeconomic status, educational background, or any other difference
- Respect for diverse viewpoints and willingness to engage in discussion
- Understanding of age-level characteristics and reasonable expectations of high school-aged girls
- Ability to balance Gold Award standards with the characteristics, needs, and talents of each individual girl



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**TRAININGS:** These trainings are required of all Gold Award Committee members but are not prerequisites for joining the committee.

- [Troop Volunteers: Part 1](#)
- Gold Award Candidate Training – please contact [ehelton@gsmaine.org](mailto:ehelton@gsmaine.org)
- [Go for the Gold: Tips from Gold Award Girl Scouts](#)

### **COMMITMENT:**

Volunteer Time:

- Attendance at one meeting per month (via virtual connection) at least 8 times per year.
- Check and respond to emails at least once per week.

Please contact Elizabeth Helton, [ehelton@gsmaine.org](mailto:ehelton@gsmaine.org), to request the Gold Award Committee Application.