

Psychological and Physical Safe Space

- Girl Scouts is the *best* leadership experience for girls in the world, created specifically with and for girls.
- At Girl Scouts, girls find a safe haven—a girl-inclusive space where they're free to be themselves without the pressures and social anxiety that can result from a mixed-gender environment.
- Our leadership model is designed to meet girls' interests and needs because it's collaborative and values a diversity of perspectives.
- At Girl Scouts, everything we do—from troop meetings, cookie sales, and camping, to STEM and beyond—is girl-led and girl-focused and takes place in the safe space of an all-girl environment.
- Our leaders, camp counselors, and volunteers are all thoroughly vetted, and although moms, dads, brothers, and sisters are all welcome, the focus is always on creating girl-inclusive safe spaces where girls are free to be themselves.
- The girl-only, girl-led, and all-around girl-defined aspects of Girl Scouting are crucial to what we offer, because not all girls have access to the single-gender environment of, for example, the private school system.
- The fact is, most of a girl's life is coed. But the emotional, girl-inclusive safe space offered by Girl Scouts fosters collaboration instead of competition, and promotes support among girls, enabling them to stretch beyond their limits and transfer valuable knowledge and skills to any environment, both now and in the future.