



We're the Girl Scouts of Northeast Texas – 27,000 girls and 12,500 adult members across 32 counties who believe every girl can change the world! Girl Scouts provides a safe place where girls can learn and grow in a girl-led environment.

Girl Scouting in the School Day (GSSD)

Girl Scouting in the School Day (GSSD) is a **free** leadership development program that builds girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place. Held during the school day, the program provides an “authentic” Girl Scout experience to middle school girls in underserved communities where a lack of volunteers, transportation, and financial resources are often barriers to joining traditional Girl Scout troops.



OUR IMPACT

EAST TEXAS	DALLAS
77% demonstrated improvement in academic engagement	78% demonstrated improvement in academic engagement
83% demonstrated improvement in a stronger sense of self	84% demonstrated improvement in a stronger sense of self
81% demonstrated improvement in practical life skills	80% demonstrated improvement in practical life skills
96% increased their understanding of S.T.E.M.	96% increased their understanding of S.T.E.M.

Girl Scouts:

- Has a positive influence on girls’ leadership, with more than 80% of girls rating the impact a 7 or higher,
- Influences academic success as much or more than positive relationships with teachers and weekly participation in out-of-school time activities
- Provides even greater benefits to lower socioeconomic status girls and those whose moms had less than a college education

Linking leadership to Academic Success, Tsikalas & Barnett, GSUSA 2012

During the 2016-2017 academic year, we will observe two of five outcomes which have been aligned with Girl Scouts of the USA in collaboration with the Institute for Applied Research in Youth Development at Tufts University – Sense of Self and Positive Values. Outcome data will be available in fall 2017.

“The curriculum includes current topics our students are excited about. The hands-on activities are creative and always have a message our students can embrace and own.”
 - Coach Thibodaux,
 Hill Middle School, Dallas



How it Works

A diverse team of trained and caring staff members deliver GSSD programs during twelve 45-minute sessions held over a single semester, normally during a health or P.E. class. Based on the Girl Scout Leadership Experience, sessions are designed to help girls develop self-confidence, practical life and leadership skills, and also foster resilience. GSSD programs are aligned with the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STARR) and provide girls with opportunities to participate in STEM, educational field trips, community service, healthy living, financial literacy classes and outdoor leadership.

Who We Serve



2,897 girls

6-8th grade



**predominately
Hispanic and African-American from
areas with high levels of poverty**

Dallas Partners

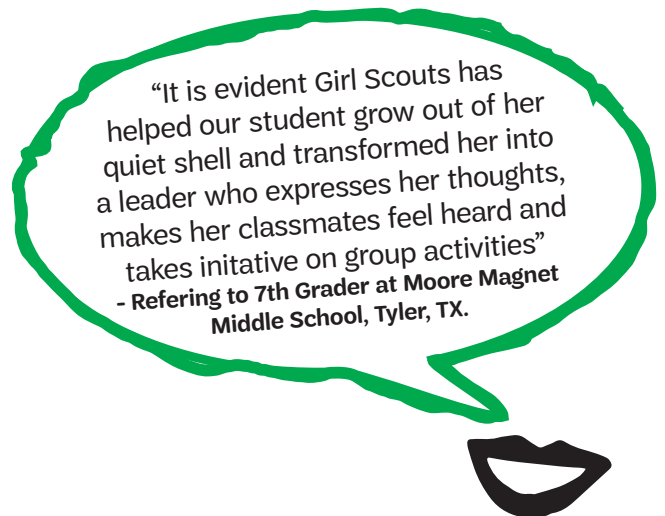
- Sam Tasby Middle School
- Robert T Hill Middle School
- Balch Springs Middle School
- E B Comstock Middle School

Total # of girls
1351

East Texas Partners

- Boulter Middle School
- Dogan Middle School
- Forest Park Magnet School
- Foster Middle School
- James E Hogg Middle School
- Judson Middle School
- Moore MST Magnet School
- Three Lakes Middle School

Total # of girls
1546



“It is evident Girl Scouts has helped our student grow out of her quiet shell and transformed her into a leader who expresses her thoughts, makes her classmates feel heard and takes initiative on group activities”
- Referring to 7th Grader at Moore Magnet Middle School, Tyler, TX.