

Sensitive issues such as religious beliefs, politics, human sexuality, suicide, and personal violence are among a host of topics that children think and talk about at one time or another. Girl Scouts plays a role in helping girls to make informed and responsible decisions about their lives. Girls may want to discuss relevant topics at Girl Scouts programs, events, or troop meetings. Consult Volunteer Essentials regarding “Engaging Girls at All Age Levels” for guidance on age propriety.

Your Girl Scout will be participating in an activity that includes information and discussion on the following possibly sensitive topics:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Adolescent pregnancy | <input type="checkbox"/> Global citizenship | <input type="checkbox"/> Sexually transmitted disease |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bullying/cyberbullying | <input type="checkbox"/> Racism, anti-racism, anti-bias | <input type="checkbox"/> Substance abuse |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child marriage | <input type="checkbox"/> Religious beliefs | <input type="checkbox"/> Teen suicide |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emotional/physical safety | <input type="checkbox"/> Reproductive health | <input type="checkbox"/> Violence against girls/women |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural/family values | <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual assault/rape | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gender roles | <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual identity | |

Here is a brief description of the activity:

If you have any questions, please contact _____ at _____

My Girl Scout, _____, has my permission to participate in the above activity and discussion.

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 sensitive or controversial. I have discussed this activity with my Girl Scout and am confident of her maturity and emotional ability to participate. I permit my Girl Scout to participate in the activity and discussion, and share her opinion in regard to the topic(s) selected above. I understand that my child may remove herself from such conversations at any time that she wants to do so by simply notifying the Leaders of her desire to do so.

I understand that my Girl Scout may remove herself from the conversations at any time, if she becomes uncomfortable.

I do not permit my Girl Scout to participate in the activity and discussion about the topic(s) selected above.

Guardian Name

Guardian Signature

Date