



Welcome to the Girls Group community!

We are a positive youth development 501(c)3 nonprofit organization founded in 2003. Girls Group exists because we want every young woman to be empowered to write her greatest story. Being empowered to write your greatest story means overcoming the barriers put before you by peers, family, schools, community, and society. It means owning your power, finding your voice, and recognizing that not only can you dream bigger than you've ever imagined, but you have what it takes to reach those dreams.

Our mission is to empower young women to achieve emotional and economic self-sufficiency by ensuring they graduate from high school and begin their college or career journeys.

- Programming spans middle school, high school, and continues through college and careers.
- Participants are mentored by experienced staff and interns.
- Year-round comprehensive programming focuses on academic readiness, social/emotional life skills, financial empowerment, and community service.

We do this through free fun and interactive programming, support with navigating academic and community resources, long term caring and supportive relationships, and exposure to new, inspirational, and educational opportunities. Girls Group makes a long-term, intensive investment in participants, from middle school to and through college and beyond, with four core programs:

1. Building for the Future - Weekly group programs for middle and high school participants. Youth led activities, safe space to explore identities, and focus on positive relationships with peers and mentors.
2. Summer Enrichment - Weekly discussion groups, activities, field trips, and college tours to help participants combat summer learning loss and successfully transition from one grade to another.
3. College & Career Prep - College and career planning support through one-on-one mentoring and workshops. Services support planning for the future.
4. Women of Purpose Alumni - One-on-one mentoring and peer support for young women on their college and career journeys. Services promote giving back and further skill development to support self-sufficiency.

In order to join Girls Group programming, the youth participant and primary caregiver must complete the Girls Group Application (page 2-5). All information provided by your family is completely confidential, will not be shared with schools, and will not affect participation in any way.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns about the information included in the enclosed application.

Address: 1100 North Main St, Suite 106, Ann Arbor, MI 48104

Phone: 734-531-5996

Website: www.girlsgroup.org

Girls Group Application 2022-2023

Youth Participant Information

Participant name: _____ D.O.B: _____

Participant gender (optional): Girl/Woman Boy/Man Nonbinary Gender Nonconforming

Prefer to self-describe: _____

Does the participant identify as transgender (optional): Yes No

Participant race/ethnicity (please select one):

American Indian or Alaskan Native

Hispanic or Latinx

Arab, Middle Eastern, or North African

More than one race. Please specify: _____

Asian, Pacific Islander, or Native Hawaiian

White

Black or African American

Does the participant speak a language other than English at home? No Yes. Please specify: _____

Participant Email: _____ Participant Phone #: _____

School: _____

Grade/HS Graduation Year: 6th (Class of 2029) 7th (Class of 2028) 8th (Class of 2027)

9th (Class of 2026) 10th (Class of 2025) 11th (Class of 2024) 12th (Class of 2023)

Does the participant receive free lunch? Yes No

Does the participant receive reduced lunch? Yes No

Does the participant receive any support services in or out of school? If so, please describe:

Does the participant have any dietary restrictions, allergies, or medical conditions? If so, please describe:

Youth Participant Behavioral Guidelines

I agree to represent Girls Group in a way that is respectful, honorable, and a good representation of the program. I agree to uphold positive interactions with peers and refrain from any arguments, altercations and bullying. It is my responsibility to create a safe space for myself and others.

I agree to actively participate in Girls Group programs on a regular basis, and communicate with the mentors when I am not able to attend.

I also understand that violations to the statements above will jeopardize my access to future Girls Group extracurricular events.

Youth Participant Signature

Date

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Parent/Legal Guardian Information

Primary Parent/Legal Guardian

Full Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone #: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone #: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

What is your preferred method of contact (select all that apply)? Phone Call Email Text

Are you interested in receiving the Girls Group Family Newsletter via email? Yes No

Secondary Parent/Legal Guardian

Full Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone #: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone #: _____

Address (if different from primary): _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

What is your preferred method of contact (select all that apply)? Phone Call Email Text

Are you interested in receiving the Girls Group Family Newsletter via email? Yes No

Emergency Contact (if a Parent/Legal Guardian is not available)

Full Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone #: _____

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Household Information

As defined by the Census Bureau, a household consists of all the persons who occupy a housing unit (house or apartment), whether they are related to each other or not. Please complete the questions in this section about the primary household at which the participant lives most of the time.

How many people live in the participant's primary household (including the participant): _____

Head of household (please select one): Female Male

Head of household's relationship to the participant (please select one):

Biological, Adoptive, or Step Parent

Foster Parent, Guardian, or Other Nonrelative

Grandparent, Sibling, or Other Relative

Household type (please select one): Single-Parent Two-Parent

Household annual income (please select one):

Less than \$24,999

\$65,000 to \$69,999

\$25,000 to \$29,999

\$70,000 to \$74,999

\$30,000 to \$34,999

\$75,000 to \$79,999

\$35,000 to \$39,999

\$80,000 to \$84,999

\$40,000 to \$44,999

\$85,000 to \$89,999

\$45,000 to \$49,999

\$90,000 to \$94,999

\$50,000 to \$54,999

\$95,000 to \$99,999

\$55,000 to \$59,999

\$100,000 or more

\$60,000 to \$64,999

Please turn over for consent and acknowledgement section that requires a signature →

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Girls Group Service Acknowledgement

Service Consent

Parent/Legal Guardian Initials: _____

I understand that Girls Group includes outings and activities for enrichment and socializing. I also understand that Girls Group includes discussions about specific issues pertinent to the participants' life and development such as substance abuse, sexual health/education, and relationships.

I understand that all Girls Group in-school programs are facilitated and run by Girls Group staff with the support of interns. In-school programs take place during lunch/advisory, an elective period, or after-school.

I give my permission for my participant to engage in activities such as surveys, interviews, focus groups and evaluations for the purpose of assessing and improving Girls Group programming. Girls Group conducts these evaluations in an ongoing and continuous manner.

Photo Release

Parent/Legal Guardian Initials: _____

I give my permission to Girls Group and related organizations to use any photos and videos of my participant for agency publications and promotional material.

Transportation Policy

Parent/Legal Guardian Initials: _____

I understand that Girls Group programming may include transportation of participants by staff or interns in their personal vehicles so that participants can be involved in special activities or programming that take place outside of school. I give my permission for Girls Group to provide transportation to my student for special events for which I would be notified about.

Consent For Disclosure

Parent/Legal Guardian Initials: _____

In order to provide effective student support services, I give my consent to the disclosure of my student's personally identifiable information/education records to be released and/or exchanged between school staff and Girls Group staff as appropriate. Records may include counselor reports, teacher reports, evaluations, credit hours, grades, and intervention plans used for the purpose of educational planning and mentoring support. I understand that I may withdraw this consent in writing at any time.

Medical Release

Parent/Legal Guardian Initials: _____

I give my permission in case of medical emergency for Girls Group Staff to act on my behalf, including contacting emergency services to ensure their safety. If my child participates in overnight or increased risk activities, I will submit my child's medical insurance card when requested.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

Date

Please return an electronic (pdf doc, word doc, google doc, photo image) or hard copy of this completed application to an AAPS school counselor, Girls Group staff member, or email to info@girlsgroup.org.

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