

## Girl Scouts of Crooked Tree

### LEADER POSITION DESCRIPTION

POSITION: Troop Leader, Troop Co-Leader, or Assistant Troop Leader

APPOINTED BY AND ACCOUNTABLE TO: Service Area Manager or School Organizer and Field Director. A volunteer application and 3 confidential references (not related by blood or marriage) must be on file at the Council Service Center before an appointment will be completed.

TERM OF APPOINTMENT: One program year (Oct 1 - Sept 30) with option of renewal.

PURPOSE: To guide and lead a group of girls so that they learn to develop their abilities as individuals and as members of a group through participation in the Girl Scout Program; to stimulate girls to examine, understand, and live by the values expressed in the Girl Scout Promise and Law.

#### RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Knows that troop leadership must consist of 2 independent adults (not related by blood or marriage).
- Participates in orientation and training to develop skills and acquire knowledge helpful in leading the troop.
- Guides girls in planning, carrying out and evaluating activities based on the Girl Scout Program that are appropriate to their interests and abilities and that provide opportunities to learn skills and HAVE FUN.
- Ensures the health and safety of girls and adults by following *Safety-Wise*.
- Uses Council and GSUSA resources for immediate reference in leading a troop.
- Keeps the Service Area Manager, School Organizer, and/or Field Director informed of matters relating to the troop, including registration, membership changes, and plans.
- Works cooperatively with other troop leadership, troop committee and troop sponsor.
- Ensures adequate preparation for troop meetings and special events; promotes and supports Council and Service Area events planned for the girls.
- Is an active, participating member of the Service Area and the Association.
- Interprets the Girl Scout Program to parents, troop committee, and troop sponsor; keeps them informed of troop plans and involves them in activities.
- Completes an Annual Troop Financial Report and turns it in to the SAM by June 1.

#### QUALIFICATIONS:

- Subscribes to the principles of the Girl Scout Movement; must meet the requirements for active membership and become registered with GSUSA.
- Supports money earning activities (girls) and fund raising efforts (adults) of the Council while following the principles, policies, standards and goals of GSUSA.
- Has the capacity to set a positive example that will inspire girls and gain their respect.
- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Has an interest in positively impacting girls and their welfare; respects their individual interests and abilities.
- Has the ability to cooperate and work harmoniously with adults.