

# CAMP CODE OF CONDUCT

To be read and discussed by both caregiver and camper. Sign and submit to the Council **by May 15th** by **fax**: 757-547-1872, ATT: Customer Care; **deliver in-person or mail**: GSCCC, 912 Cedar Rd, Chesapeake, VA 23322; **OR** Peninsula Service Center, 894 J Clyde Morris Blvd, Newport News, VA 23601.

Girl Scout Council of Colonial Coast has rules to follow so everyone will have a fun and safe time. We call our rules the Code of Conduct. The Code, combined with the Girl Scout Promise and Law, is the guide for behavior at all Girl Scout camps (including transportation).

I understand that rules are made to protect me and others and to help ensure program activities are safe, fun and successful. I will treat other people, myself, property and equipment with respect. I will follow the principles of the Girl Scout Promise and Law.

**The Girl Scout Promise**  
 On my honor, I will try;  
     To serve God and my country,  
     To help people at all times,  
     And to live by the Girl Scout Law

**The Girl Scouts Law**  
 I will do my best to be  
     honest and fair,  
     friendly and helpful,  
     considering and caring,  
     responsible for what I  
     say and do  
 and to  
     respect myself and others,  
     respect authority  
     use resources wisely,  
     make the world a better place  
     and be a sister to every Girl Scout

Your child deserves to feel physically and emotionally safe to have new experiences and meet new friends. No child's experience should be hindered by subtle or overt bullying. **We have a firm policy against all types of verbal, physical and relational bullying.**

I understand the following are unacceptable behaviors:

- Cursing or verbally abusing anyone for any reason
- Threatening of, or any physical abuse and fighting
- Stealing or damaging property
- The creation of alliances, "cliques" and written or verbal contracts used to exclude anyone at any time for any reason
- Teasing or gossiping
- Wearing jewelry, clothing or accessory that displays inappropriate language or graphics
- Inappropriate physical contact

I understand the following are not allowed at Girl Scout camp:

- Pets/animals
- Tobacco products
- Weapons or look-a-likes
- Alcohol
- Illegal substances
- Cash/Money
- Electronic devices such as cell phones and iPods
- Medication which is not turned in to camp staff, program health staff or group volunteer

The Girl Scout Council of Colonial Coast reserves the right to send home any girl who exhibits the above listed behaviors. If a bullying situation should occur, the incident will be discussed with the child and the caregiver may be called to discuss the situation. Children who engage in bullying may be subject to a behavior contract in consultation with their caregiver and/or be sent home. **Caregivers are responsible for picking up child.** The person listed as the emergency contact will be called if caregivers cannot be reached. **There is no refund in the event a girl is sent home.**

We encourage you, as caregivers, to let us know about any particular bullying concerns you may have for your child or any off-season, camp-related emails, social media posts, etc. that may have led to exclusion or meanness towards your child by somebody else in camp. We want to ensure that this problem can be managed with a strong partnership between our camp and our caregivers.

**I have carefully read the Code of Conduct and have discussed it with my camper, and agree to abide by its rules.**

Caregiver signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**I understand the Code of Conduct and agree to follow the rules.**

Girl signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_