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Chesapeake Girl Scout Earns Gold Award

Cameron Hart, a graduate of Oscar Smith High School, has earned her Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest honor and achievement a girl can earn in Girl Scouts. She is a member of the Girl Scouts of the Colonial Coast and now referred to as a Gold Award Girl Scout.

For her Gold Award project, *Peer Tutoring for Spanish Speaking Students*, Cameron addressed the topic of global citizenship. She assisted Spanish speaking students with learning the English language and assimilating into American culture.

Cameron led a peer-tutoring session for ESL (English as a Second Language) students. She gathered the information and concepts from the Virginia Standards of Learning so the students would be up to date on the correct information. She created pre-test, post-test and multiple activities. Cameron made sure to evaluate her peer-tutoring program by providing surveys to ESL students and then improving the lacking aspect of her program.

She also assisted the ESL students to connect with the community by organizing events. Cameron planned meetings where they would discuss global topics with the ESL students, peer-tutors and adult mentors.

Cameron compiled a binder with material used throughout her project, so members of the local Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority can continue to support this project further and use her peer-tutoring program.

About the Girl Scout Gold Award

The Gold Award requires girls to identify an issue in the community and carry out a Take Action project to address the matter through leadership work. Nationwide, less than six percent of eligible Girl Scouts earn the Gold Award, which adds this young lady to an elite group of female leaders across the country with the honor.

With the help of the Gold Award, girls can earn college scholarships and even enter the military one rank higher. Girls who earn their Gold Award rate their general success

significantly higher than their peers. They also report greater success in reaching their goals in many areas.

About Girl Scouts of the Colonial Coast

Girl Scouts of the Colonial Coast, a United Way agency, serves nearly 11,000 girls in grades K through 12 with the help of nearly 5,000 adult volunteers in southeastern Virginia and northeastern North Carolina. Girl Scouts offers a one-of-a-kind leadership development program for girls, unleashing the G.I.R.L. (Go-getter, Innovator, Risk-taker, Leader)[™] in every girl. Since 1912, Girl Scouts has been building girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place. To volunteer, reconnect, donate or join, visit www.gsccc.org or call 1-800-77SCOUT.

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