



YOUTH 2011-2012 APPLICATION PACKET

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Hello future GIAGirl and GIAParent!

Thank you for your interest in becoming part of our organization for the 2011-12 session year. We have many exciting things planned for this upcoming year, including more field trips, running club, Teach With Movie Program, Rites of Passage program, motivational/educational Talk Sessions, and service activities, so you're coming in at the right time! We will also be participating in activities with partner organizations to provide additional positive exposure for our members. I hope you've had the opportunity to visit our website at www.girlsinaction.org. There, you will learn all about us and whether Girls In Action is a fit for you.

Girls In Action aspires to provide a quality member organization for tween and teen girls with the following goals:

- Aide in personal growth and development of our members;
- Enhancement of leadership/entrepreneurial skills;
- Promotion of sisterhood;
- Assist with goal-setting and attainment of future endeavors.

Our **Kickoff Celebration** will be **Sunday, October 9, 2011 at 4PM**, and our first meeting for the program year is scheduled for **Saturday, October 15, 2011 at 4PM to 6PM** at Sursum Corda Youth Center, 1175 1st Terrace NW, Washington DC 20001. Please note that the application deadline is **Saturday, October 1, 2011**.

Email your application to girlsinactioninc@yahoo.com or mail to:

Girls In Action (GIA)
Attn: Ikisha Little
59 L ST NW
Washington DC 20001-1361

There are no membership dues. Girls In Action is a FREE Outreach program for girls ages 8-18 years old. Girls In Action receive donations from individuals, local government, and other organizations to pay for meeting facilitation, snacks, and supplies/materials. At no cost to the GIAGirl or her parent, each member will receive a Large tote bag, GIA logo t-shirt, school supplies, and hoodie(\$100). Costs will be supplemented through individual fundraising, sponsorship, and pledges.

Welcome, and I look forward to getting to know each of you! Please feel free to contact me directly at (202) 489-1305 or Ikisha@girlsinaction.org if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Ikisha N. Little
CEO/Founder

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

Date of this Application: ____ / ____ / ____ Referred by: _____

Member Contact Information

Student's Full Name: _____ Nickname: _____

Age: ____ DOB: _____ Grade: ____ School: _____ GPA: _____

Home Street Address: _____ City, State: _____

Zip Code: _____ Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Do you have a Facebook account? __Y __N FB Name _____

Do you have a Twitter account? __Y __N Twitter Name @ _____

Are you involved in any other activities that will conflict with attendance at Girls In Action sessions/activities?

__Yes __No Please list: _____

How many hours of community service have you performed? _____

Do you have an adult who can drive you places? __Yes __No Do you drive? __Yes __No

Parent Contact Information __Please check here if address is same as above

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____ Relationship _____

Home Street Address: _____ City, State: _____

Zip Code: _____ Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

III. Girls In Action CONTRACT

By completing this contract, I, _____, agree to make a commitment to participate in the Girls In Action program for the 2011-12 program year. My parent/guardian and I know this is an exciting opportunity to be a part of a special group that will combine great talks with exposure to higher education, arts and culture, life skills education, sisterhood, and more.

By choosing to participate in the Girls In Action program, I agree to:

___ Follow all rules and guidelines as outlined by the program coordinator, program policies, the Girls In Action Constitution, and this contract.

___ Do my best to maintain a GPA of at least 2.5 (C+), maintain satisfactory school attendance and discipline.

___ Not miss any scheduled Girls In Action meetings, activities and/or field trips, understanding that more than 3 unexcused absences is grounds for my being asked to leave the program.

___ Perform a minimum of 30 hours of community service for each service year that I am a member.

___ Have a positive attitude and be respectful, dependable, and accountable to Girls In Action volunteers and other Girls In Action members, as well as myself, my parents, and my teachers.

___ Make a one-year commitment to the Girls In Action program.

___ Obtain parent/guardian permission for all Girls In Action activities at least 3 days in advance, if possible.

___ Be on time for scheduled meetings, field trips, and service activities or call my program coordinator at least 24 hours beforehand if I am unable to attend or will be late.

PARENT/GUARDIAN PERMISSION FOR PARTICIPATION – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

I hereby give permission for the participant listed above to take part in GIA group sessions and activities, which may include off-site events, academic assistance, college tours, recreational programs, and/or community service.

I understand that GIA will maintain participant records, including attendance in all GIA activities and other personal accomplishments that are identified by GIA members and/or GIA volunteers. This information will be shared with each GIA girl and her parent/guardian in support of her personal growth and development. The information will also be used to evaluate the impact of the program on the personal growth and achievement of all participants in the GIA program and to obtain continued funding for the agency. This information will also be used in formal evaluation reports and other publications about the GIA program and its work with girls. I understand that the identity of all GIA participants will be kept strictly confidential on all research reports.

Parent/ Guardian Signature

Date

Print Name

GIA Girl's Signature

Print Name

GIRLS IN ACTION (GIA)
"Girls Empowered"

PHOTO RELEASE FORM

Girls In Action (GIA) or various other media may choose to take pictures or videotape participants in Girls In Action outreach and mentoring program activities. These images may be used for Girls In Action's displays, brochures, newsletters, archives, news releases, publicity, social networking, and websites.

I hereby grant permission to Girls In Action to take and reproduce photographs and videotapes for publication, including publication by news sources and other sources for all educational, trade, advertising and other purposes as determined by Girls In Action.

Print Name (Participant)	Participant Signature	Date
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Printed Parent/Guardian Name	Parent/Guardian Signature (if minor)	Date
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Address: _____

City, State, ZIP Code: _____

Email Address(es): _____

Phone: _____ **Cell:** _____

Thank you for completing this form.

Please mail to or email to: Girls In Action, Inc. * 59 L ST NW * Washington DC 20001-1361
Tel: (202) 489-1305 * **Email:** lkisha@girlsinaction.org * **Website:** www.girlsinaction.org



Dear Prospective Participant

Girls In Action will be starting the GIAGirl Talk session component of our 2011-2012 outreach programs very soon. Talk Sessions are a way for young ladies such as yourself to come together to address issues that affect their lives and talk about whatever is on their minds. Please tell us what topics you would like to learn more about or that you are interested in. Please put a check mark next to any subject that you think would be helpful for young ladies of today.

___ **dealing with parents/teachers**

___ **managing your money**

___ **learning to stand up for yourself**

___ **decision making**

___ **setting goals**

___ **dating and relationships**

___ **making friends and building strong friendships**

___ **sexuality**

___ **Improving your community**

___ **bullying**

___ **Spirituality**

Other _____

Comments

Fill in your name only if you want to be contacted about the Talk Sessions

Name _____ **Date** _____

Email address _____ **Cell:** _____

Return to Ikisha Little at Girls In Action, 59 L ST NW, Washington DC 20001 or email to ikisha@girlsinaction.org * www.girlsinaction.org (website)

