



Cathy Novinger Girl Scout Leadership Center

By preparing today's girls to become tomorrow's leaders, the Cathy Novinger Girl Scout Leadership Center makes a long-term and substantial mark on our area's workforce and economic development.

The leadership center in Columbia is a premier destination for girls in South Carolina and throughout the Southeast.



Leadership Center Features

The Cathy Novinger Girl Scout Leadership Center features the following programmatic services and support for girls, troops, and groups:

- STEM Lab and IT Hub
- Arts Studio
- Financial Literacy Library
- Girl Scout History and Archives
- Indoor Climbing Wall
- Healthy Living Kitchen
- Girls-Only Lounge
- 5 overnight and activity bunk rooms
- Meeting space
- Outdoor kitchen
- Splash pad
- Outdoor fire pit
- Bridge for the girls' advancement ceremonies



What is the Girl Scout Leadership Experience?

Our one-of-a-kind leadership development program for girls is based on time-tested methods and research-backed programming that encourage girls to lead – in their own lives and in the world. Participation in Girl Scouts is proven to help girls thrive in five key ways:

- Develop a strong sense of self
- Seek challenges and learn from setbacks
- Display positive values
- Form and maintain healthy relationships
- Identify and solve problems in the

Girl Scouts are going places.

52%

of female business
leaders are Girl Scouts

69%

of female U.S. Senators
were Girl Scouts

100%

of all former U.S. Secretaries
of State were Girl Scouts

This is a game changer.

Why is the Cathy Novinger Girl Scout Leadership Center important to GSSC-MM's mission for girls?

The Cathy Novinger Girl Scout Leadership Center in Columbia is an innovative approach to prepare Girl Scouts across the state, nation, and world to empower themselves. It is a destination for STEM training and career development, outdoor education, arts experiences, meaningful community service projects, and personal growth for girls. The leadership center provides GSSC-MM with a permanent presence within walking distance of the state capital. Girls visiting the leadership center engage with partners and community resources that exist, such as Edventure Children's Museum, Columbia Museum of Art, and the South Carolina State Museum. The resources, coupled with girls' ambition, are strengthening the fabric of our communities, state, and world.

What takes place at the leadership center?

The Cathy Novinger Girl Scout Leadership Center is a testament to our mission. The 32,000-square-foot facility combines programmatic and training spaces and houses the Midlands regional Girl Scout Service Center. It is a welcoming place where girls can participate in indoor and outdoor activities.



girl scouts
of south carolina
mountains to midlands

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