

**Mackinac Island Honor Scout
Troop #147
2023 Application Packet**

THE PROGRAM

The Mackinac State Historic Parks sponsors a program each summer for Girl and Boy Scout troops. Troop 147 is now in its 47th year and is looking for new members. This is a service camp and members must be willing to put service first. While on the island, troop members are responsible for raising and lowering flags at 26 flag stations (this all happens at precisely the same time) and serve as guides at the historical buildings downtown and in the fort. The troop also serves as the Governor's Honor Guard. There is also plenty of free time to explore the island and participate in troop activities. The troop lives in the scout barracks which is located behind Fort Mackinac. The barracks include a modern kitchen, infirmary, dining hall and sleeping quarters.

ELIGIBILITY

Any registered Girl Scout from Michigan Shore to Shore Council who is in 7th-12th grade may apply. This is a physically and emotionally strenuous program. Girl Scouts need to be in good physical and mental condition and able to walk long distances on uneven terrain, including very steep hills. Girl Scouts live in a large dormitory style room in bunk beds and are working with girls from ages 12 to 18. Girl Scouts are also required to stand for several hours, with breaks, without fidgeting. There are a limited number of positions available each year and selection is highly competitive. An interview is not guaranteed. **Interview date is November 5, 2022, at the Betsy Cutler House in Muskegon.**

COSTS

There is a \$20.00 training fee that is due with the acceptance paperwork. The camp fee is approximately \$300.00 and includes a unit photo. Uniform costs will vary by member and will be assessed separately.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Cookie dough credit may be used to pay for this program.

TRAINING DATES

All training takes place at the GSMISTS Betsy Cutler House in Muskegon. If Covid restrictions come into play we may be meeting in smaller groups. Below are the tentative dates:

November 5, 2022 - New prospect interviews
January 21, 2023 – All leadership, all adults (not for returning members)
February 18 or 25, 2023 – all 1st and 2nd year members, all leadership, all adults
March 18 or 25, 2023 For All Members
April 15 or 29, 2023 For All Members
May 13 or 20, 2023 For All Members
June 10 or 24, 2023 For All Members
July 8 or 15, 2023 For All Members
Tentative week of service: Mid July to early August 2022

APPLICATION

Please complete the application and mail to the address listed by the due date. Applications that are incomplete will reflect negatively on you. Late postmarks will not be accepted. Letters of recommendation should not be from a family member. Letters should be mailed to the address listed.

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