

Girl Scout Reflection

In the past year, I completed my Girl Scout Gold Award project, in which I established a free, drop-in tutoring program at the Cranford Library. Looking back, I feel that this experience has definitely changed me for the better. I gained many new leadership skills, such as creating a team, and working with that team in pursuit of a common goal. I also learned how to communicate with team members through email, a skill that will help me in the future. Cooperation and team building have been very important in developing my leadership skills because it showed me how to work and coordinate with people. In addition, I advocated for myself by promoting and explaining my project to others.

My project has been very successful in helping children with their academic struggles. Many children and parents come to receive help with schoolwork and homework. In addition, the tutors, who are local high school students, get community service hours for donating their time to help children, and gain invaluable life skills along the way. However, it was very difficult initially to promote my program so that children would show up. If I were to do this project again, I would promote the program earlier, starting over the summer instead of in September.

After having completed this project, I feel better equipped to take on the world because I can better communicate with others. For instance, I learned a lot about writing professional emails, coordinating meetings, and speaking before audiences. These skills will help me to succeed in whatever career path I choose. This project has also helped me to decide that I want a job where I work with people. Through this project, I found out that I like to work and coordinate with others, as it makes things more rewarding. I also found making a difference in the education of children in my town to be the most rewarding experience of all.

All in all, completing my Girl Scout Gold Award project has helped me to be a better leader, and has helped me to communicate with others better. This was an amazing experience, and one that I will never forget.