

BRING Girls on the Run® TO YOUR SCHOOL!



Who We Are

Girls on the Run is a nonprofit that creates and offers evidence-based empowerment programs that help third- to eighth-grade girls build confidence, address negative issues, and deepen vital physical, mental, emotional, and social life skills.

Impacts of GOTR

By participating NOW...

- Life-skills lessons
- Fun movement-based games
- Impactful community projects
- Intentional goal-setting activities



...she gains these FOR LIFE.

- Deep inner strength
- Meaningful connection to others
- Foundation of physical health
- Empathy and respect for those around her
- Confidence to pursue dreams of all sizes

GIRLS NEED GOTR

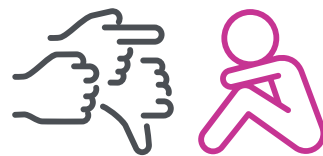
Here's why:



Girls' self-confidence begins to drop **by age nine**.



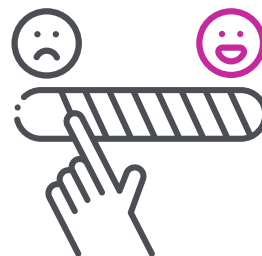
Physical activity starts to decline **at age ten** and continues to decrease as girls age.



50% of girls ages 10 to 13 experience bullying.



Only 24% of six- to 17-year-olds participate in at least 60 minutes of physical activity every day.



57% of U.S. teen girls felt **persistently sad or hopeless** in 2021 – double that of boys and representing a nearly 60% increase over the past decade.

OUR PROGRESS IS POWERFUL!

- Girls on the Run of Southeastern MI annually serves more than 1,000 participants.
- For the past 25 years teammates have participated in our program.
- Hundreds of volunteers (including caring coaches) support, uplift, and inspire our participants every year.
- Over 4,000 participants and spectators attend our 5K Celebrations every year.





GET INVOLVED WITH GOTR

HOSTING A TEAM:




Provide a Site

- Offer a safe, accessible outdoor place with a restroom (and a designated indoor space for inclement weather)
- Accommodate a regular practice schedule 2 times a week for 90 minutes



Secure a Site Leader

- Act as the main site contact for families, participants, and council staff
- Help recruitment efforts and distribute marketing materials
- Provide families with registration assistance
- Identify 2-3 coaches from your site and/or community*



At a time when girls may be struggling to fit in or find their voice, our programs reassure them that they belong.



By hosting a team, you will inspire girls to embrace their individuality, make new friends, and find joy in movement.

**If you cannot secure coaches, have no fear! Girls on the Run will work with you to identify coaches from our volunteer pool.*





Transforming Lives

IT'S WHAT WE DO



Girls on the Run is the only physical activity-based, positive youth development program for girls with a research-based curriculum, trained coaches, and a commitment to serving all girls as well as gender expansive youth.

Every practice, coaches lead teams through fun and engaging activities that innovatively blend social emotional life skills with physical movement.



Girls on the Run: Grades 3-6

- Understand ourselves, value teamwork, and recognize our impact on the world.
- Set and achieve goals, nurture emotional health, connect with others, and appreciate healthy habits.



How GOTR SUPPORTS You

EVERY STEP OF THE WAY

Program sites can count on GOTR for:

- Marketing and registration materials
- Parent/guardian communications
- National Coach Training (led by trained facilitators)
- Curriculum materials and coach supplies
- Program t-shirt and 5K participation
- Financial assistance for families
- Athletic wear and shoes for families in need
- Coach stipends for volunteers in need
- Ongoing support to site leaders, coaches, and families



The data – and participant voices – say it all!



98%

OF PARTICIPANTS

said they had fun at their Girls on the Run practice.



98%

OF PARTICIPANTS

said they would tell their friends to participate in Girls on the Run.



97%

OF PARTICIPANTS




said they learned things at Girls on the Run that are important to them.

NEXT STEPS

Are you ready to join the GOTR community?

1. Submit site application found [HERE](#)
2. Identify site leader
3. Confirm team practice schedule
4. Attend our Site Leader Launch
5. Share GOTR marketing materials to help register girls



- 
- 
- 
- Program Registration Opens: Monday, Dec. 8th
 - Spring 2026 program start date: Week of March 16th
 - Girls on the Run Celebratory 5K event date: Saturday, May 9th

We are excited for you to join us and need your help!

Your involvement plays a vital role in building self-confidence in girls. As a result, your community and the world beyond it will become a better, more welcoming place.

With your involvement, that better tomorrow can be filled with girls who nurture their emotional and physical health, boldly follow their dreams, and become adults who lead with integrity, empathy, and kindness.



Questions?

We are here to help!

info@girlsontherunsemi.org / 734.712.5640 / www.girlsontherunsemi.org

