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| All scientists have one thing in common: a passion for science. Besides that, scientists are unique individuals who differ in their personality types, their strengths and weaknesses, their backgrounds, and their interests outside of science. We are looking for GeoGirls who are excited about science and who are unique individuals that can be part of a diverse GeoGirls team. | INTEREST:  
We will evaluate applications individually and select applicants based on their individual interest in science and the GeoGirls program. | As you write your essays, let us know why you are interested in science and GeoGirls! Show us your passion! |
| DIVERSE TEAM:  
We will evaluate applications as a whole to build a diverse GeoGirls team. Aspects of diversity includes:  
- Diversity of personalities  
- Diversity of interests outside of science  
- Diversity of strengths and weaknesses  
- Diversity of backgrounds: a range of ethnic, cultural, economic, family and geographic backgrounds.  
- Diversity of life experiences | | As you write your essays, let your personality shine! Your application is an opportunity for us to get to know you and how the many aspects of who you are will make for a unique, awesome member of the GeoGirls team! |
| GeoGirls is a unique, free opportunity supported by scientists and organizations that care and want to make an impact on GeoGirls’ lives. | IMPACT:  
We will evaluate applications individually to determine who stands to gain the most from the experience and who have not necessarily had access to many extra-curricular opportunities before. | Let us know how you think GeoGirls could have a positive impact on your life! |

What we will NOT be judging you on:

- Physical/athletic abilities
- How “good” you think you are at science or your grades
- Who has the most impressive list of extracurricular activities
- Experience/comfort in the outdoors