

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Date: _____

Please sign and return the following form to Rhonda Simon, Bowie Youth & Family Services, 15901 Excalibur Rd, Bowie, MD 20715, call 301-809-3033 or email rsimon@cityofbowie.org

Dream It, Be It! Will begin Tuesday October 22 2019, 2:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m. and run 7 consecutive weeks.

I give permission for my daughter, _____, to attend and participate in the activities of Dream It, Be It: College/Career Support for Girls, a program of Soroptimist International of PG & AA County Maryland and of the City of Bowie Youth & Family Services Teen Mentor Program at Bowie High School. Disclosures by all group participants will be kept confidential except in the following situations, which would then need to be reported.

1. If a participant presents a serious threat and endangerment to herself or others.
2. If a participant displays suicidal tendencies or characteristics.
3. If there is a suspicion that a participant has been a victim of emotional, physical or sexual abuse.

As part of the Dream It Be It program, I agree to the following, intending for my child and me to be legally bound:

1. In case of medical emergency, I grant the facilitators the right to authorize medical care, if I cannot be promptly and readily reached.
2. In the event medical treatment is necessary for my child, I agree to pay all costs associated with such treatment including the cost of emergency medical evaluation and care. I further agree to hold harmless and indemnify Soroptimist International of Prince George & Anne Arundel County, Maryland and the City of Bowie Youth & Family Services any costs associated with medical treatment and transportation for child.
3. I agree that Soroptimist International of Prince George & Anne Arundel County Maryland and the City of Bowie Youth & Family Services is not responsible for any bodily injury, illness or disease, or loss or damage from any cause concerning this program, even in the event of negligence by the club, its members or facilitators. I release and agree to hold harmless Soroptimist International of Prince George & Anne Arundel County Maryland and the City of Bowie Youth & Family Services members and facilitators from any liability in connection with the activities of this program.
4. I agree to hold harmless and indemnify the City of Bowie Maryland and all of its officials, officers, servants, agents, and employees shall not be liable to me or my child and hold the City and all its officials, officers, servants, agents, and employees harmless from and against any and all claims of damages, demands, actions, liabilities, injuries, loss, expense, actions or causes of action, that may occur, including attorney's fees, for property damage or personal injury sustained or allegedly sustained out of my teen's participation.
5. This consent and release shall be governed by the law of the state in which Soroptimist International of Prince George & Anne Arundel County and the City of Bowie Youth and Family Services is located, without regard to its principles on conflict of laws.
6. I understand this is an after-school program sponsored by the City of Bowie and the Soroptimist International of PG & AA County Maryland. **Students and parents are responsible for all provisions of transportation home.**
7. I understand this program is an opportunity and will make every effort to attend each session and participate in the activities for my benefit and the benefit of the group. **Students and parents are responsible for all provisions of transportation home**

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Home Phone: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

We are excited your daughter is considering participating in “*Dream it, Be It*”: College/Career Support for Girls!

The group sessions will take place beginning Tuesday October 22nd 2019 for 7 consecutive weeks, afterschool from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Mentor Center Room T-5 Bowie High School. “*Dream it, Be It*” is a program of Soroptimist International of the Americas, brought to you by the City of Bowie Teen Mentor Program.

Soroptimist International Inc. is a global women's organization whose members volunteer to improve the lives of women and girls through programs leading to social and economic empowerment. Approximately 33,000 Soroptimists in 20 countries and territories support community-based and global projects benefiting women and girls. The organization is particularly concerned with providing women and girls with access to education.

“*Dream it, Be It*” designed specifically for girls in secondary school provides participants with career support and guidance through education and access to role models the program aims to empower girls to pursue career goals and reach their full potential. We know your daughter probably has many responsibilities at school and at home, we believe “*Dream it, Be It*” is a worthwhile investment in her future success.

In seven weekly sessions, your daughter will learn about career opportunities, setting and achieving goals, overcoming obstacles to success, and moving forward after setbacks. Your daughter will have the opportunity to work closely with Soroptimist members who are professional and respected women in our community.

Our volunteers and mentors have met any legal requirements for working with children in our state and county we are prepared to give your daughter the best and safest experience possible.

We hope you will consider giving your daughter permission to take part in “*Dream it, Be It*” to register your daughter for the program, please email Rhonda Simon, rsimon@cityofbowie.org City of Bowie Prevention Coordinator. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the above email address or call our office (301) 809-3033.