



Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are excited that your daughter is considering participating in Dream it, Be It: Career Support for Girls! Here are some things you should know:

The conference will take place on Saturday, January 21 from 8:30am-3:00pm at the Oakhurst Community Center. The conference is hosted by Soroptimist International of The Sierras, working with other professional women in our community.

Dream It, Be It is a program of Soroptimist International of the Americas. Soroptimist 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.

Designed specifically for girls in secondary school, Dream It, Be It provides participants with career support and guidance. Through education and access to role models, the program aims to empower girls (just like your daughter!) to pursue career goals and reach their full potential. In one full-day event, 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 your community who work together on projects that benefit women and girls. Soroptimists will collaborate with other community members to lead girls through activities that will help them develop skills relevant to whatever career they choose to pursue.

We know that your daughter probably has a lot of responsibilities at school and at home. We believe Dream It, Be It is a worthwhile investment in her future success. Our club members will also make every effort to keep your daughter safe. Our members must meet any legal requirements for working with children in our state or country and are prepared to give your daughter the best and safest experience possible.

We hope you'll consider giving your daughter permission to take part in Dream It, Be It. Please sign the attached form and have her bring it to the conference on January 21.

For more information, go to [www.DreamItBeItGirls.com](http://www.DreamItBeItGirls.com). If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at [SiSierras@Soroptimist.net](mailto:SiSierras@Soroptimist.net).

Sincerely,

Michele Shockley

President, Soroptimist International of The Sierras



# Parental Consent and Release Form

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission for my daughter, \_\_\_\_\_, to attend and participate in the activities of Dream It, Be It: Career Support for Girls, a program of Soroptimist International of The Sierras. I agree to the following, intending for me and my child 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 The Sierras for any costs associated with medical treatment and transportation for my child.
3. I agree that Soroptimist International of The Sierras 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 The Sierras members and facilitators from any liability in connection with the activities of this program.
4. This consent and release shall be governed by the law of the state in which Soroptimist International of The Sierras is located, without regard to its principles on conflicts of laws.

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Contact Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Please bring this signed form to the conference on January 23, or mail in advance to SI or The Sierras at PO Box 41, Oakhurst, CA 93644.