

GENDER SOCIALIZATION & GENDER SPECIFIC EDUCATION

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FIELD SITE: GIRLS INC

Girls Inc is a non profit organization that strives to inspire all girls to be strong, smart and bold by:

- Creating girls-only environments
- Implementing research based programs
- Providing mentorship
- Facilitating curriculum that confronts gender, economic, and social barriers

SCHOOLS

I taught Girls Inc curriculum to over 150 girls at three schools in North Philadelphia:

- Community Academy of Philadelphia
- MasT Community Charter School III
- Universal Creighton Charter School

CURRICULUM

At these schools I taught:

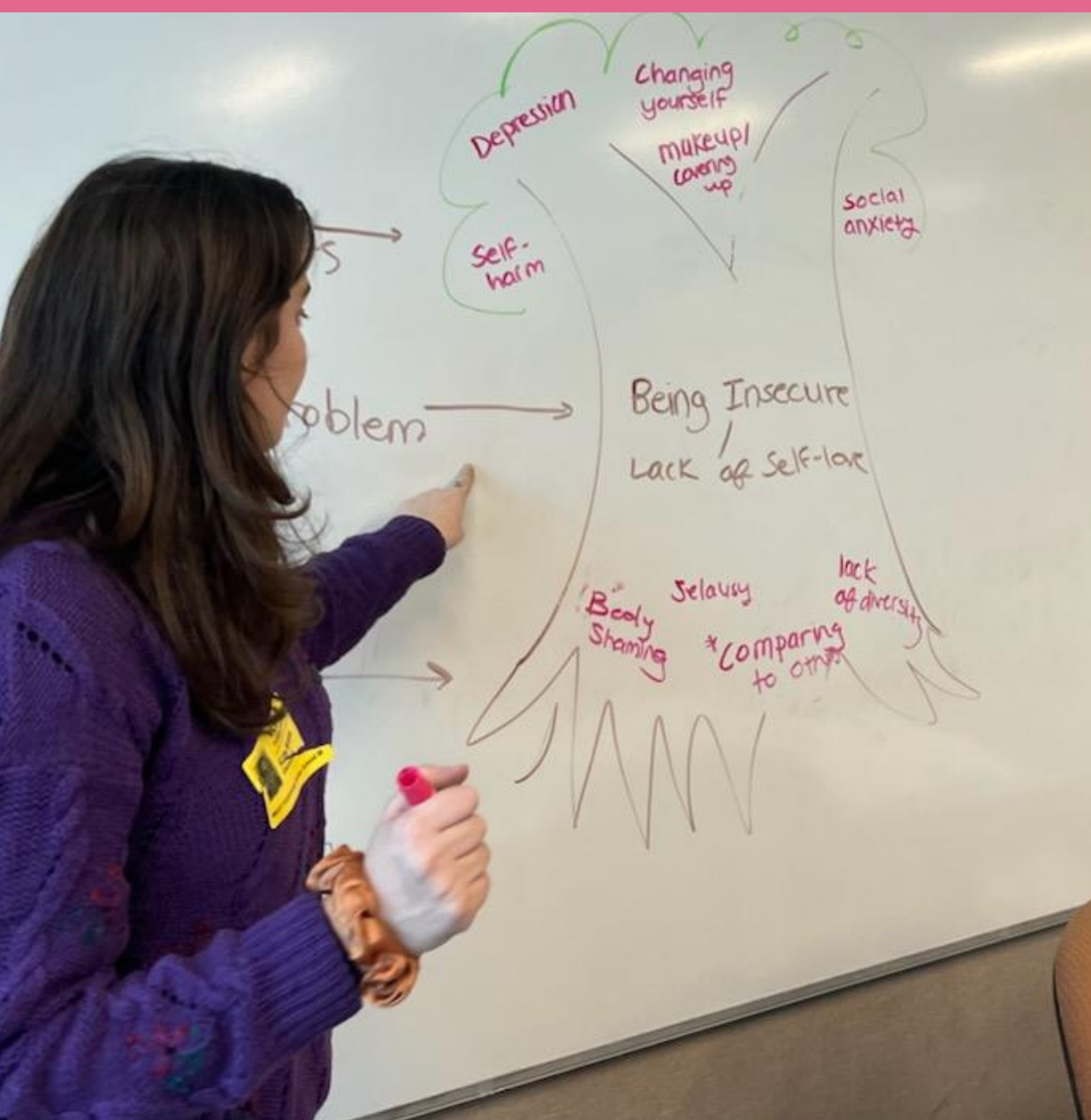
- Media Literacy to 7th graders, Substance Abuse Prevention to 8th Graders
- Leadership & Community Action to 5th graders
- Assisted with an after school mentorship program

MY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Implement Girls Inc. curriculum to youth ages 9-14.
- Review curricula and prepare weekly lessons for students.
- Foster an atmosphere of fun and learning
- Provide a Safe & Supportive space
- Collect data including participant demographics, learning evaluations, etc.

COMMUNITY ACTION PROJECT

My favorite activity that I facilitated with Girls Inc was the “community action project”, where each 5th grade class had to design a project that addressed an issue in their school community. One class addressed the lack of confidence among girls at their school by creating a display in the hallway called the “garden of positivity”, which was made up of flowers that had positive affirmations written on them.



PERSONAL GROWTH

Through this Independent study I have:

- Developed classroom management skills
- Learned how to write detailed field notes
- Strengthened my facilitation skills, including my ability to improvise in the classroom
- Gained confidence in addressing serious topics with children

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