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American Heritage Girls Proudly Supports Its Vast Homeschooling Community

'We've Been Homeschooling for a Long Time and AHG Is Integrated into Our Schooling,' Says One AHG Mom—Just One of Many Who Have Chosen This Education Alternative for Their Children

CINCINNATI, Ohio — *American Heritage Girls* (AHG, www.americanheritagegirls.org)—one of the largest Christian, scout-type organizations in the world—has a vast body of homeschoolers within its community, and it is proud to stand behind these dedicated parents and caregivers as they educate their young women with purpose and passion. AHG also notes that the new film, "[God's Not Dead: We the People](#)," explores homeschooling and parental rights today—and AHG is featured with a 30-second clip in the movie's previews.

Homeschooling is clearly on the rise in America. The number of children who are being homeschooled right now has doubled to five million, as a recent [Daily Mail](#) piece noted. Even in the earliest days of the pandemic, parental inquiries about homeschooling "exploded," according to [reports](#). *American Heritage Girls* knows that thousands of homeschooling families nationwide are today using the AHG program to foster their young women's educational curiosity, strengthen their leadership abilities, and help them form strong, Christ-centered friendships as they grow in their faith and flex their community-service muscles as principled individuals.

Says AHG Founder and Executive Director Patti Garibay, "At AHG, we have formal relationships with many national homeschool entities, such as the Home School Legal Defense Association (HSLDA) and Classical Conversations. We also attend many homeschool conferences and conventions around the country. About 60 percent of our AHG members have indicated a homeschool affiliation." She adds, "Involvement in an AHG Troop offers girls tremendous opportunities for leadership and service."

Notes one AHG mom, "We've been homeschooling for a long time and AHG is integrated into our schooling. Each one is enhanced by the other. AHG makes a great skeleton to build a curriculum on."

AHG's Badge Program—comprised of 97 Badges—offers hands-on curriculum enrichment to girls. Badges can serve as multi-level unit studies across a variety of educational disciplines, including History/Civics, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math), Home Economics, Fine Arts, Physical Education, and more. AHG's Badge requirements incorporate academic learning through research and thought, and practical, hands-on learning through participation in group activities. Public speaking and presentation skills are also offered.

In addition, AHG Troops regularly perform service of all types within their communities year-round. In the last AHG Program Year ending May 30, 2021, girls performed an impressive total of 417,295 service hours—all in spite of tremendous challenges brought on by the coronavirus pandemic.

American Heritage Girls was founded in 1995 by a group of parents who wanted this faith-based, scout-type character development program for their daughters. At *AHG*, girls ages five to 18 meet together as [a single Troop](#) at the same time and then break out into Units by Levels. This gives *AHG* girls the important social experience of interacting with friends and godly mentors of various ages; members also learn leadership skills within a group setting. *AHG* Troops are located in [local communities](#) across the nation. If none exists in a given area, families can bring the *AHG* Program to their own area. An *American Heritage Girls* Troop Development Coach is available to provide resources to potential Charter Organizations and other families to form [a new Troop](#). To hear more about the purpose, mission, and vision of *AHG* from *Founder and Executive Director Patti Garibay*, [click here](#).

Today, there are [Troops](#) in all 50 states and girls being served in 15 countries around the globe. Girls can join a Troop at any time; if a Troop is not available nearby, they can become a [Trailblazer](#) and enjoy the *AHG* program alongside their parent. A variety of Christian denominations are also represented as [Charter Organizations](#) for Troops. Thousands of volunteer members across the country are helping girls grow in their faith, cultivate a heart for service, enjoy the great outdoors, and have more fun than they can imagine.

The “*Raising Godly Girls*” radio feature and [Raising Godly Girls blog](#) shares guidance and biblically based advice on many key topics affecting girls today. It gives parents, educators, and faith community leaders a set of tools, resources, and Scripture-based advice to assist in raising girls after God’s own heart. The “*Raising Godly Girls Minute*” with Patti Garibay airs on 900+ Christian radio stations across the country.

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