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**Girls Incorporated®  
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**For Immediate Release****GIRLS INC. OF TARRANT COUNTY WELCOMES GIRLS INC. AFFILIATES  
TO COWTOWN FOR REGIONAL CONFERENCE & TRAINING**

**ARLINGTON, Texas, Sept. 5, 2013** – Girls Inc. of Tarrant County is hosting the Regional Conference for Regions I and II Girls Inc. affiliates October 9 – 11, 2013, at the Hilton Fort Worth. This year's conference theme, "Academic Achievement: Learn, Share, Prepare for Impact," will provide Girls Inc. affiliate staff with in-depth training focusing on developing a mentoring community for girls; increasing STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) programming; and infusing literacy into ongoing activities.

The National Girls Inc. organization, which is based in New York, will be leading the conference. "Girls Inc. annual regional conferences are tremendous opportunities for our local leaders and skilled program staff from across the U.S. and Canada to come together and share expertise on critical issues for girls and growing our reach to those most in need of our life-changing programs," said Judy Vredenburg, Girls Inc. President and CEO. "We are thrilled to be in Fort Worth to celebrate the incredible impact Girls Inc. has on this community and its families."

On October 11, Girls Inc. of Tarrant County will also host a celebration of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual International Day of the Girl with a march of over 300 women and girls up Main Street from the Convention Center to the Tarrant County Courthouse steps where Mayor Betsy Price will present a proclamation to both Judy Vredenburg and Girls Inc. of Tarrant County CEO, Jennifer Limas.

**About Girls Incorporated of Tarrant County**

Girls Inc. inspires all girls to be strong, smart, and bold<sup>sm</sup> through life-changing programs and experiences that help girls navigate gender, economic, and social barriers. Research-based curricula, delivered by trained, mentoring professionals in a positive all-girl environment equip girls to achieve academically; lead healthy and physically active lives; manage money; navigate media messages; and discover an interest in science, technology, engineering, and math. The network of local Girls Inc. nonprofit organizations serves 136,000 girls ages 6 - 18 annually across the United States and Canada. Girls Inc. of Tarrant County served 7,484 girls last year in schools and other community-based organizations. For more information about Girls Inc. of Tarrant County visit [www.girlsinctarrant.org](http://www.girlsinctarrant.org) or call 817-468-0306.