



To: Parents/Guardians
From: Dr. Carla Stokes, Founder & President/CEO

Your child/ward is invited to attend the 6th annual summit for teens **in grades 8-11 (ages 13 and up)** organized by Helping Our Teen Girls In Real Life Situations, Inc. (HOTGIRLS). HOTGIRLS is a volunteer-led, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the health and lives of black young women and girls. The summit provides a great opportunity for your child/ward to learn about and discuss healthy relationships, dating violence, cyber-bullying, body image, self-worth, self-esteem, images in the media and hip hop, and other important issues.

About the Summit:

The 2009 “I Am Worth It!”TM Summit will be held on **Saturday, May 2, 2009** at **Spelman College** from **9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.** (registered participants will receive additional details during the week of April 27th). The “*I Am Worth It*”TM Campaign (www.iamworthit.org) provides a platform for girls to affirm their self-worth and promote positive self-representations online and in their local communities -- while challenging harmful stereotypes about women of color. The “I Am Worth It”TM web site also educates and informs teen girls about self-esteem and related health and teen issues.

Registration Fee & Transportation:

Your child/ward will be **responsible for his/her own transportation** to the Summit. A **registration fee** in the amount of **\$10.00** (due in cash at the door) will be used to provide food/snacks and handouts¹. Please note that checks and credit cards will not be accepted for this event.

Registration Process & Deadline:

We will select up to 30 teens to participate in the Summit. **In order to participate, teens must submit a registration form** (completed by your daughter/ward). **The Parental Consent and Release of Liability Statement, Medical Information Form, and Household Information Form must be completed and signed by a parent/guardian. All completed registration materials must be returned as soon as possible before Friday, April 24, 2008:**

An original copy of your parental consent and release of liability statement, medical information form, and household information form must be mailed/postmarked on or before Friday, April 24th.

Mailing Address:

HOTGIRLS, Inc.
3645 Marketplace Blvd, #130-190
Atlanta, GA 30344

Thank you in advance for your support and assistance in **returning the required forms before the deadline.**

More Information:

Please visit our web site for more information about us: <http://www.helpingourteengirls.org>. If you have questions, we can be reached by e-mail at summit@helpingourteengirls.org or at 404-495-3542 (e-mail is the fastest way to reach us).

¹ Scholarships are available for a limited number of participants who are unable to pay the registration fee (please contact us before the deadline.)

HOTGIRLS, INC. PARENTAL CONSENT AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY STATEMENT

Helping Our Teen Girls In Real Life Situations, Inc. ("HOTGIRLS"), a Michigan nonprofit corporation, provides health information to young women and girls. In the course of these activities, HOTGIRLS provides educational and social programs and activities for youth, including information about self-esteem, self-worth, sexuality, HIV/AIDS, sexually transmitted infections, teen pregnancy, abstinence, condom use, decision making, communication skills, violence against women and girls, Internet safety, life skills, and other issues of concern for youth.

In consideration for my child/ward's participation in HOTGIRLS' programs and activities I, undersigned parent, legal guardian or custodian of _____ (child/ward's legal name), give permission for my child/ward to participate in and attend all HOTGIRLS functions and field trips. I give permission for my child/ward to be transported to and from all functions and field trips by HOTGIRLS and its officers, directors, volunteers, agents, and representatives (if necessary). I also give permission for my daughter to participate in confidential surveys related to her participation in HOTGIRLS activities. I may revoke these permissions at any time by providing written notice to HOTGIRLS, which shall be effective prospectively, upon actual receipt by HOTGIRLS.

I hereby release and hold harmless from suit HOTGIRLS and its officers, directors, volunteers, agents, and representatives, Spelman College, and other agencies, schools, or organizations for or with which all functions and field trips are held from any liability or damages arising from travel or transportation to and from all functions or planned activities and for any property damage, personal injury or loss, even death, arising from any trips or activities. This release applies to any simple or gross negligent act or omission of HOTGIRLS and its officers, directors, volunteers, agents, and representatives.

I also give permission to HOTGIRLS and its officers, directors, volunteers, agents, and representatives to seek medical attention for my child/ward in the event that it is required and I cannot be reached. I agree to be fully responsible for the payment for any medical attention rendered.

PHOTOGRAPHS AND AUDIO/VIDEO RECORDINGS (CHECK ONE)

I DO further release to HOTGIRLS representatives the use of any quotations, photographs, or audio/video recordings of my daughter or ward taken at HOTGIRLS-affiliated events for as long as they deem necessary. I understand that the photographs and video/audio recordings can be used in the future for the limited purposes of furthering the goals of HOTGIRLS and I agree to that limited use. I understand that any photographs and video/audio recordings may be published on web sites and/or printed materials published by HOTGIRLS representatives. I understand that no payment will be made for the use of any such photographs or video/audio recordings.

I DO NOT further release to HOTGIRLS representatives the use of any quotations, photographs, or audio/video recordings of my daughter or ward taken at HOTGIRLS-affiliated events for as long as they deem necessary.

In signing this Parental Consent and Release of Liability Statement, I hereby acknowledge that I have carefully read this entire document, that I understand and agree to comply with its terms, and that I have signed it knowingly and voluntarily. I understand the nature of HOTGIRLS and the *I Am Worth It!* Campaign and will support my child/ward's participation. This Parental Consent and Release of Liability Statement, being signed by me as parent/legal guardian, is and shall be a relinquishment not only of my rights, but also of the rights of my minor child/ward.

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian Date

Signature of Other Parent/Legal Guardian Date

Printed Name

Printed Name

Home Telephone Number

Home Telephone Number

Alternate Telephone Number (work or cell)

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