

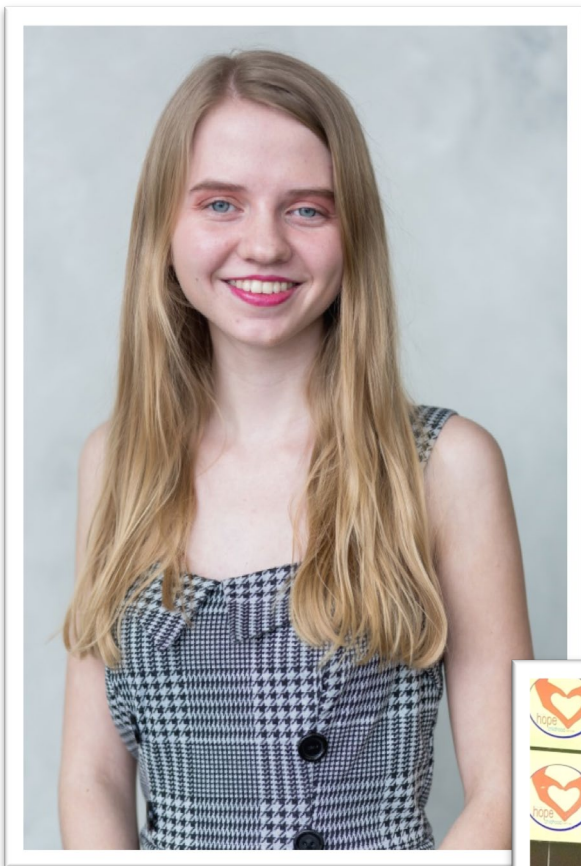
Children's Cancer Awareness Coloring Book

Sarah Schellhase has been a Girl Scout for 12 years and is in Troop 990 in Service Unit 694. She is currently a senior at Blue Valley High School.

Sarah's Gold Award project addressed the issue of limited awareness about the underfunding of childhood cancer by using a coloring book. Working with local artists, she was able to highlight children who have been impacted by childhood cancer artistically, showcase their personal interests, and educate about the type of cancer they had. After attending a photoshoot at Sporting KC with some of the children featured in the book, she got to see the joy on their faces when they found pages that had been created to highlight them as individuals. By distributing the books to these families and others in her community, she hopes to make it a subject families can talk about and increase funding to these childhood cancers.

Sarah worked with Minuteman Press, Braden's Hope Foundation, friends and local artists to create the coloring books and find the children to feature and print the books. By providing a coloring book to children with and without cancer, she hopes to spread awareness and make the subject more approachable. By educating the community on the need for better funding, she hopes to increase donations to research projects to battle childhood cancers. Her project is sustainable through the internet as the pages are digitally available for download for anyone who'd like to use them.

Because of Girl Scouts, I have become more confident in my ability to be a strong leader.



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