## Massachusetts State Police G.I.R.L.S. introduce young girls to policing from a female perspective in special event

State Police Association of Massachusetts Event Introduces Young Girls to Law Enforcement – G.I.R.L.S. Highlights Policing from Female Perspective During National Women's History Month.

"On Saturday, 40 girls from the ages of 6-12, from diverse backgrounds and recruited via youth agencies and Boston-area schools, participated in G.I.R.L.S. Day at Massachusetts State Police General Headquarters in Framingham.

Sponsored by the State Police Association of Massachusetts, the union that represents Department members holding the ranks of Trooper and Sergeant, G.I.R.L.S. Day aimed to celebrate Women's History Month and showcase law enforcement as a future career consideration for the attendees.

G.I.R.L.S. Day — an acronym for the themes Grit, Intelligence, Resilience, Leadership and Strength — put together a series of age-appropriate activities highlighting what it means to be a Trooper and leader at the Massachusetts State Police.

The event kicked off with an introduction and warm welcome from Colonel Christopher Mason, Superintendent of the Massachusetts State Police. The girls enjoyed detailed presentations and hands-on activities led by female Troopers working in a variety of fields within the State Police, including the Cyber Crime Unit, Crime Scene Services, and the Fire Investigation Unit. They also learned about the history of our department from members of the Massachusetts State Police Museum and Learning Center. Participants took part in group sessions as well as breakouts segmented by age."-Massachusetts State Police.

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