Saskatchewan Council

Self Care Challenge

Self-care is the practice of taking an active role in protecting one's own well-being and happiness. Good self-care practices help to prevent burn-out and can reduce stress. This challenge is designed to encourage **Saskatchewan Guiders, Pathfinders, Rangers and Unit Assistants** to take the time to intentionally practice self-care. The crests are FREE for Saskatchewan members who have completed the challenge and \$2/each for non-Saskatchewan members

What to do:

In order to earn the crest, <u>all three</u> parts must be completed.

• Part 1 - Self-Care Worksheet & Brainstorming

Complete the Self-Care Worksheet, listing self-care practices that you already engage in and listing practices you'd like to try (see the attached list for inspiration, but feel free to do something that isn't on the list!

• Part 2 - Self-Care Practice

Take an hour at least once a month to intentionally practice self-care. Track what you did and how it made you feel. Over the course of the challenge, try to choose at least one activity from each area (mind, body, emotions, spirit). Try to also choose at least one activity that is totally new to you.

• Part 3 - Reflection

Complete the reflection/evaluation form online at <u>https://forms.gle/zU96jFMg9zTdP2Q36</u>. From there, you'll be able to complete the online form to request your crests.

Questions?

If you have questions or require additional information, it can be sent to sk-info@girlguides.ca





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Ideas for Self-Care

Note: this is not a definitive list - it is just to help you find some inspiration!

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Mind	Body
Read a new book	Put on music and dance
 Read to a child, partner or friend 	Go for a long walk
Write a poem or story	Go for a bike ride alone or with
Meditate	 friends/family
Make a vision board	Take a hike
Create a mandala	 Go to the pool for a swim
 Make a mindfulness jar 	Participate in yoga
Start a journal	Get a massage
 Go to a concert or recital 	Try a new recipe
 Find a new podcast/show that you enjoy Go 	Take a nap
through your closet and donate unused	Have a bubble bath
clothes/items	 Bake something for fun
 Go exploring with your camera 	 VIsit a farmer's market
 Call a friend that you haven't talked to in a 	 Treat yourself to dessert
while. Learn a new skill	 Soak up the sun
 Complete a crossword puzzle/sudoku 	 Give yourself a pedicure or manicure (or go
• Colour	out and get one!)
 Try a new board or video game 	 Order in your favourite dinner
	 Go to bed early and sleep in
Emotions	Spirit
Watch a good movie	Make a gratitude list
Draw a self-portrait	• Spend quiet time outside enjoying nature
 Try a new craft/find a new hobby 	Write a thank-you letter to someone who
 Buy yourself a present and enjoy it 	has made an impact in your life
guilt-free	 Practice positive self-talk
Cuddle with a pet	Plant a tree
 Spend time with your family 	Meditate
 Buy/pick yourself some flowers 	• Sing
Daydream	Watch a sunset
Write a gratitude list	 Go screen free for an afternoon (or day)
	Go on a picnic
	Go cloud watching
	Watch the stars

Part 1: Self Care Worksheet

Date: _____

Mind	Body
Current Practice:	Current Practice:
I'd like to try:	I'd like to try:
Emotions	Spirit
Current Practice:	Current Practice:
I'd like to try:	I'd like to try:

Part 2: Self-Care Practice

Take an hour at least once a month to intentionally practice self-care. Track what you did and reflect on how it made you feel/whether you enjoyed it/whether you'd do it again. Try to include:

- At least one practice from each of the four domains
- At least one brand-new practice

Month	Self-Care Action	Reflection