

Summer Camp FAQ:

Where will my camper be sleeping?

Our cabins are air-conditioned and fully enclosed. Each cabin sleeps either 8 or 16 people in twin-size bunk beds. At night, at least two staff members will sleep in each cabin with the girls.

What does my camper eat while at camp?

Campers and staff eat all meals together. We provide balanced meals, and snacks if a camper needs one between meals. We encourage each camper to take a 'tester' bite of each food. If a camper is not eating, we will have other options available for them, but we encourage them to try the main dish first.

What if my camper has dietary restrictions?

When registering for camp, make sure that you list any dietary restrictions and food allergies.

We are often able to accommodate campers who are vegetarian, vegan, gluten-free, lactose intolerant, etc. We ensure to have food that suits every camper and staff's needs.

How should I prepare my camper for their first time at camp?

Practice sleeping away from home (at a friend's houses, with their troop, etc.)

Talk about and practice self-care. Such as taking a shower by themselves, brushing their teeth, brushing their hair, putting on deodorant, etc.

Talk to your camper about how best to work through their feelings of being homesick while at camp. This can look like writing a letter home, having a picture of family/pets, maybe asking for some more quiet/reflection time, and/or asking a counselor to help them navigate their feelings.

What happens if my camper has lice?

At check-in, your camper will be screened for lice/nits. Campers will not be allowed to stay if they have lice/nits and parents/guardians are responsible for treatments. No refunds are given for lice/nits. Girls may return to camp after receiving treatment at home and, if found to be lice/nit free, may then join a later session of camp if applicable.

Can I call my camper while they are at camp?

Campers are not allowed to receive or make phone calls while at camp. If there is a problem or if your camper is not adjusting well, a member of the camp team will contact you.

Where can I send mail to my camper?

You can send mail to your camper to the camp location! Please be sure to address the mail as below so that it is easier for us to get mail to your camper:

Camper's Name

1919 Turnersburg Hwy

Statesville, NC 28625

We also encourage parents/guardians to also drop mail off at check-in, so your camper receives a letter in the first few days. If campers would like to send letters home while they are at camp, **we highly suggest you send them with pre-stamped and addressed stationery.** We do not provide stamps.

Do you provide transportation to camp?

No- transportation to camp will not be provided.

What should my camper pack?

You can find a packing list on our website under Camper and Caregiver Resources.

Does my camper have to be a Girl Scout to attend camp?

You do not have to be a currently registered Girl Scout to participate in our programs. However, non-registered girls will be registered as Girl Scouts for an additional \$50. Registering as a Girl Scout means you will have access to all the programs offered throughout the year and will be the first to hear about camp next year.

Do you provide financial assistance for camp?

Yes! We believe every girl should be able to attend camp regardless of their financial situation. You can apply for financial assistance through registration.

Receiving financial aid is confidential. Our camp staff do not know who receives financial assistance.

Can my camper bring a friend to camp?

Camp provides girls the opportunity to make new friends during their time at camp. However, we know some campers prefer to attend camp with a close friend. Campers wishing to attend camp with a buddy must provide that information in their registration. Space is provided to indicate one friend's name, and buddies must request each other. **While we do our best to honor your request, buddy assignments aren't guaranteed!**

What activities can my camper participate in?

Each camp theme has various activities that girls can participate in. Programming includes archery, boating (canoeing, kayaking, corcling, and paddle boarding), hiking, arts and crafts, time at the lake for swimming (weather dependent), outdoor cooking, team building activities, and the Phoenix Tower for cadettes and older!

Will girls earn badges while at camp? And do you provide the badges that my camper earns at camp?

Campers will earn at least 2 GSUSA badges and multiple fun patches each week of camp they attend! Badges and patches will be handed to parents/caregivers at check-out.

What if my camper doesn't feel well while at camp?

They will see a member of our health team to determine what the issue may be. If the issue persists, a member of the camp team will call the family to let them know what is happening and decide the best course of action.

What if my camper takes medication?

Our Health Supervisor will dispense medication to campers according to the labeled directions unless we receive a note from your physician. **All medications must be in its original packaging.** This includes all over-the-counter medications, vitamins, and topical creams.

My camper has an epi-pen and/or an inhaler – can she carry it with her?

Our safety regulations mean that all medication, including emergency medications, must be carried by a staff member and not by the camper. Each staff member has a first aid pack on them at all times, and all emergency medication will be kept in it so that it is accessible to campers whenever they need it.

How are camp staff trained?

Staff will go through 5 days of staff training. Our staff are trained and certified in all our activities and will learn about topics that may arise during camp, such as sensitive issues, homesickness, etc. All staff will be certified in first aid/cpr during this training.

What should I do if I need to pick up my camper early?

If you need to pick up your camper early, this is not a problem. Please let camp staff know during check-in.

When is check in?

All camp sessions will check in Sundays between 2-4pm at camp.

When is check out?

Weeklong sessions check out on Fridays from 2-3pm.

Short weeks sessions check out on Wednesdays from 2-3pm.