Summer Camp 2019

girl scouts of gateway council

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Why send her to camp?

Girl Scout camp is for every girl!

Girl Scout camp is about trying new things, meeting new friends and having fun. Whether you're interested in archery, swimming, canoeing, kayaking, hiking, exploring the wilderness, and even STEM (yes, at camp!), you'll have a great summer at Girl Scout camp! Our camps are open to ALL girls entering grades 1-12.

Research Shows

Camp exposes girls to new experiences!
72 percent of girls said Girl Scouts gave them the chance to build their skills or try new outdoor activities.

Camp builds problem solvers!
Girls with more frequent outdoor experiences are more likely to seek challenges and are better at solving problems — qualities that will help them embark on a lifetime of leadership, both academically and personally.

Camp builds courage and confidence!
Spending time in nature improves a girl's concentration and creative reasoning. Outdoor experiences also help promote healthy social development and increase her self-esteem.

We want to hear from you!

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Our Camp Properties

Girl Scouts of Gateway Council owns and operates two main camps: Camp Kateri in Hawthorne and North Fork Leadership Center in Middleburg. Both provide hundreds of acres of space for adventure and discovery, and each have their own special features that make them the perfect place for every girl to spend her summer!

Camp Kateri is located in Hawthorne, just 30 minutes southeast of Gainesville. Camp Kateri is a 550-acre property with opportunities for archery, canoeing, sailing, kayaking, hiking and exploration.

North Fork is located in Middleburg. North Fork's 250 acres include wooded areas, pasture and waterfront access points, and activity sites for telescopes, archery and swimming.

Get more details and photos of Camp Kateri and North Fork at ***girlscouts-gateway.org/camps****.*

Types of Camps

There's a camp session for every girl, from a first-grade Daisy to an Ambassador entering her final year of high school. Below are brief descriptions of the types of camps Gateway Council is offering for Summer 2019.

Day Camp

Designed for girls who would prefer a camp experience that is not overnight, these camps are Monday-Friday from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at North Fork Leadership Center in Middleburg. Bus transportation will be available for an additional fee.

Weekend Camp

Ideal for first-time campers, girls can bring a parent for a single overnight experience.

Sampler Camp

Designed for girls to "sample" the overnight camp experience, these sessions consist of four days and three nights at either North Fork or Camp Kateri.

Resident Camp

The traditional Girl Scout camp experience! Girls spend six days and five nights at either North Fork or Camp Kateri. Some sessions include field trips and off-camp adventures!

Camp on the Road

For girls entering seventh grade and up, they'll hit the road to explore areas outside of Gateway Council. Big adventure is guaranteed!

Camp at a Glance

Camp Week	Camp Type	Grades	Camp Name	Member Price
WEEK 1 June 9-14	Sampler	d b	Camptastic	$225
	Resident	b j c	S'mores and Outdoors	$450
WEEK 2 June 16-21	Sampler	d b	Crafty Critters	$225
	Weekend	d b j c	Me & My Guy: Messy Mayhem	$45
	Resident	b j c	Wacky Works of Art	$450
WEEK 3 June 23-28	Resident	c s a	Lead the Way	$450
WEEK 4 June 30-July 3	Sampler	d b j	Flashlights & Fairy Tales	$225
WEEK 5 July 8-12	Day	d b j c	Make New Friends	$200
WEEK 6 July 15-19	Weekend	d b j c s a	Me and My Gal – Just Us G.I.R.L.s	$45
	On the Road	c s a	Camp on the Road	$650
WEEK 7 July 22-26	Day	d b j c	STEM Adventure	$200
WEEK 8 July 28-31	Sampler	d b	Water Otters	$200
	Resident	b j c	InSPAration	$450

Grade levels

- d — Grades K-1
- b — Grades 2-3
- j — Grades 4-5
- c — Grades 6-8
- s — Grades 9-10
- a — Grades 11-12

Is she ready for camp?

Read the following questions and circle your honest answer. There's no right or wrong!
1 = No 2 = Not sure 3 = Yes

Girl quiz

Can you stay overnight at a friend's house without missing your family?	1	2	3
Can you wash your own hair and keep it brushed and neat?	1	2	3
Are you brave when you see bugs or hear strange noises at night?	1	2	3
Can you make your bed and keep track of your belongings?	1	2	3
Do you like to meet new people and do things with others, not just your buddy?	1	2	3
Can you adjust to no air conditioning in your living area?	1	2	3
Can you survive without a radio, MP3 player, TV, computer or cell phone?	1	2	3
Do you help keep things neat and tidy around your home?	1	2	3
Do you like being around girls who are different from you?	1	2	3
Do you really think you're ready for resident camp?	1	2	3

Add up the numbers circled. If you have:

Fewer than 22 points: You will be happiest at a session you can attend with your family or for the day. Consider Me & My Guy, Me & My Gal, or one of the day camp options.

23-26 points: You are brave and ready to try overnight camp! Check out the Sampler sessions if you're not sure about a full week at camp.

More than 27 points: You are really ready for camp! Choose your favorite session, and we'll see you there!

Parent quiz

Can your daughter stay overnight at a friend's house without you feeling sad or needing to speak to her?	1	2	3
Can you tolerate the way her hair looks when she washes and styles it herself?	1	2	3
Can you talk with your daughter before camp and help her be brave when she sees bugs or other animals she might encounter at camp?	1	2	3
Can you stand a week without having to pick up someone else's shoes left on the floor?	1	2	3
Do you want your daughter to meet new people and try new things?	1	2	3
Does your daughter enjoy the outdoors?	1	2	3
Can you help her adhere to the rule about no MP3 players, radios or cell phones?	1	2	3
Can you go for a week without seeing or talking to your daughter?	1	2	3
Does your daughter enjoy being around other girls who are different from her?	1	2	3
Are you prepared to entrust her care to her camp counselors?	1	2	3
Do you think your daughter is ready for resident camp?	1	2	3

Add up the numbers circled. If you have:

Fewer than 22 points: Consider attending Me & My Gal or Me & My Guy with your daughter, or signing her up for a day camp session. You can also attend an outdoor program at one of our camp properties to explore camp ahead of time.

23-26 points: You're a brave parent and ready for your daughter to try an overnight camp experience. We suggest a Sampler session so you both get used to the idea of her spending the night at camp.

More than 27 points: You and your daughter are very prepared! You might even be ready to send her to more than one camp session this summer!

Camp Sessions

Week 1

Camptastic Sampler Camp

Levels: DB (Grades K-3)
When & where: June 9- 12, Camp Kateri
Cost: $225

Love traditional camp activities but prefer a shorter camp session? Experiment with outdoor cooking, sing songs around the campfire and learn all about the cool things nature has to offer.

Badges: Buddy Camper, Cabin Camper

Sampler Camp Snapshot

7 a.m.	Wake up
8 a.m.	Breakfast
9 a.m.–Noon	Activities
Noon	Lunch
1–2 p.m.	Me Time
2–5:30 p.m.	Activities
6 p.m.	Dinner
8:30–10 p.m.	Lights out

S'mores and Outdoors Resident Camp

Levels: Brownie, Junior, Cadette (Grades 2-8)
When & where: June 9-14, Camp Kateri
Cost: $450

Kick off the summer outside at your favorite place! Learn camp songs, go swimming, build fairy houses with your new camp friends, and roast s'mores over a crackling campfire.

Badges: Cabin Camper, Camper, Archery

Week 2

Crafty Critters Sampler Camp

Levels: Daisy, Brownie (Grades K-3)
When & where: June 16- 19, Camp Kateri
Cost: $225

Are you a creative and crafty kid? This summer, spend lots of time at Towers Activity Center making all sorts of crafty creations! Get inspired by nature as you experiment with clay, use recycled items to create a wind chime and more!

Badges: Outdoor Art Maker, Outdoor Art Creator

Me and My Guy – Messy Mayhem Weekend Camp

Levels: Daisy, Brownie, Junior, Cadette (Grades K-8)
When & where: June 15-16, Camp Kateri
Cost: $45

Bring your dad (or significant male adult) to camp for a night of messy fun! Start off the weekend with messy relay races and games, water balloons and more! Mud, slime, suds and fun!

Wacky Works of Art Resident Camp

Levels: Brownie, Junior, Cadette (Grades 2-8)
When & where: June 16-21, Camp Kateri
Cost: $450

Spend some time getting in touch with your artistic side. Roll up your sleeves as we dig into splatter painting, tie-dyeing and a collection of wacky art projects. Let the zany continue as we have some outdoor fun with water games and messy challenges.

Badges: Outdoor Art Creator, Outdoor Art Explorer, Outdoor Art Apprentice

Resident Camp Snapshot

Schedule subject to change.

7 a.m.	Wake up
8 a.m.	Breakfast
9 a.m.–Noon	Activities
Noon	Lunch
1–2 p.m.	Me Time
2–5:30 p.m.	Activities
6 p.m.	Dinner
8:30–10 p.m.	Lights out

Week 3

Lead the Way Resident Camp

Levels: Cadette, Senior, Ambassador (Grades 6-12)
When & where: June 23-28, Camp Kateri
Cost: $450

This week, we're taking camp to a whole new level. Choose from a variety of options to spend the week with your friends by earning a certification or trying something completely new! Earn your babysitting certification while you're at camp, or gain new skills as you train to become Kitchen Aide certified. You can also take your paddling skills down the river for an off-camp trip, and take a leap at the Ocala Canopy Zip Lines! Choose your adventure for the best week of your summer!

Week 4

Flashlights and Fairy Tales Sampler Camp

Levels: Daisy, Brownie, Junior (Grades K-5)
When & where: June 30-July 3, North Fork
Cost: $225

Discover the magical side of camp! Use your imagination – and a little bit of pixie dust – to create a fantastical craft, build fairy houses with new friends, swim like a mermaid and explore the enchanted forest on a hike to discover magical creatures.

Week 5

Day Camp Snapshot

8-9 a.m.	Check In
9:15 a.m.	Songs & games
10–11:30 a.m.	Activities
Noon	Lunch
1–4 p.m.	Activities
4 p.m.	Girls are picked up

Make New Friends Day Camp

Levels: Daisy, Brownie, Junior, Cadette (Grades K-8)
When & where: July 8-12, North Fork
Cost: $200

Experience all that camp has to offer! Play gaga, go on a hike, spend time at the pool and get crafty with your new friends. Enjoy a camp fire and make memories as you bond with your new buddies! Spend the night at camp on Thursday night for time to stay up late with your friends and try the overnight camp experience.

Badge: Making Friends

Week 6

Me and My Gal – Just Us G.I.R.L.s Weekend Camp

Levels: Daisy, Brownie, Junior, Cadette, Senior, Ambassador (Grades K-12)
When & where: July 13-14, North Fork
Cost: $45

Bring your mom (or significant female adult) to a camp for a spa getaway. Spend 24 hours being pampered. Start off with a dip in the pool, create homemade spa treatments and cook dinner over the fire. Wake up Sunday with a yoga session and go home with lots of homemade spa goodies.

Camp on the Road Resident Camp

Levels: Cadettes (second-year), Seniors, Ambassadors (Grades 7-12)
When & where: July 15-19, Bryson City, N.C.
Cost: $650

Let's hit the road to explore the mountains of North Carolina! You'll sleep in a tent for the week, work as a team preparing your own meals, test your courage on the zip line and feel the rush of the Nantahala River for a rafting adventure. And don't forget to stop for a selfie as you hike a waterfall. This week is not one to miss! Limited spots available.

Week 7

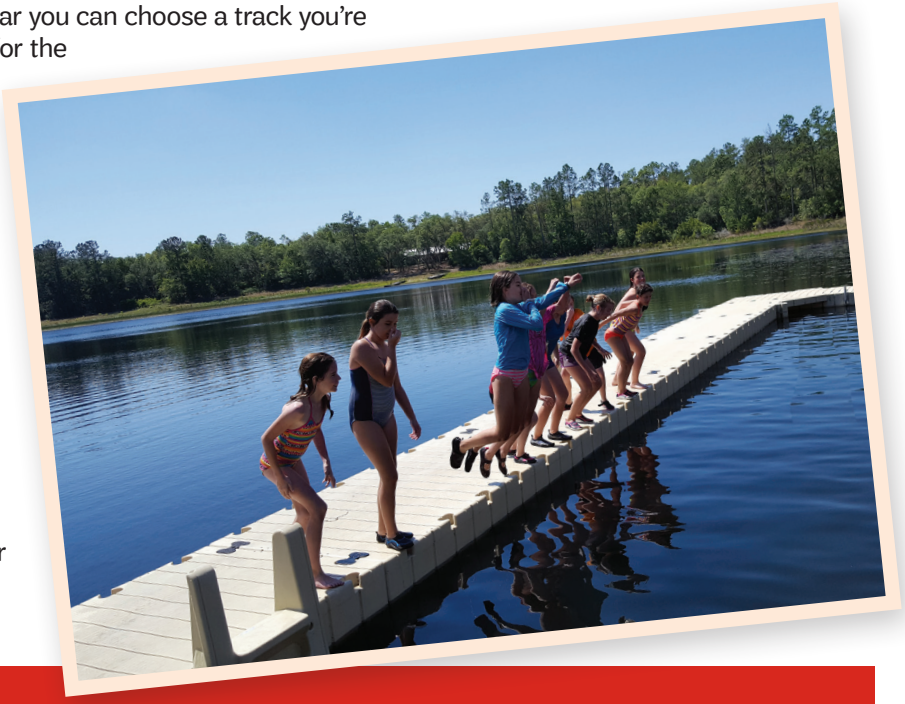
STEM Adventure Day Camp

Levels: Daisy, Brownie, Junior, Cadette (Grades K-8)
When: July 22-26
Location: North Fork Leadership Center
Cost: $200

It's back! STEM Camp brings the world of science, technology, engineering and math to the outdoors! This year you can choose a track you're interested in exploring for the week.

Space Explorers - DBJ — Do you love exploring stars and planets? Come learn all about the galaxies and even spend the night to get an up close look at what you've been learning about.

Engineers Rock! - JC — Build, design and experiment! Experience what it's like to be an engineer, plus you never know who will stop by.



Week 8

Water Otters Sampler Camp

Levels: Daisy, Brownie (Grades K-3)
When & where: July 28-31, North Fork
Cost: $225

You otter be excited for this camp! Splash into days filled with swimming, slip n slides and water balloon battles. Take some time to dry off and explore the forest of North Fork with hikes to learn about the creatures that live both in and out of the water.

inSPAration Resident Camp

Levels: Brownie, Junior, Cadette (Grades 2-8)
When & where: July 28-Aug. 2, North Fork
Cost: $450

ALL NEW Resident Camp at North Fork! This camp is totally about YOU! Your time to be creative. Your time to be you. Make cool recycled crafts, learn some yoga, and check out the sweet side of STEM as you mix up spa products like sugar scrubs and bath bombs!

The Ins & Outs

ACA Accreditation

The American Camp Association is an independent national agency which imposes the highest standards of health, safety, program and staffing for camps across the country. Camps are visited every 3-5 years to maintain these high marks. Both North Fork Leadership Center and Camp Kateri meet these standards and are ACA accredited.

Bad Weather

In an event of severe weather in the area, all girls are moved to a safe location in the camp according to the emergency action plan. While at these locations, there are a number of rainy day programs to keep the girls' minds off of the weather until we are given the all-clear to resume regular outdoor programs.

Badges

Earning badges and completing award requirements is an integral part of summer camp. During weeks indicated, girls will have the opportunity to complete a badge and additional requirements for other badges. At check-out she'll receive any badges earned that week.

Health Information

Gateway Council will utilize CampDoc to help provide the best possible care for our campers. CampDoc is an electronic health record system for camps in which forms can be uploaded and completed online. Camp staff will have easy access to the information, and when your camper returns to any of GSGC's camps, the information only needs to be updated. Additionally, if a camper's health exam on record is within the 12-month requirement, it will not need to be provided again.

CampDoc is secure, confidential, and safe. The site is encrypted and password-protected. Only authorized staff members will have access to camper health information. The camper's parent/guardian will receive a welcome email from CampDoc with information about how to complete the camper's health information forms. (If you do not receive this welcome email within two weeks of receiving your camp confirmation, check your spam/junk mail folder. If it's still missing, call us at (904) 388-4653.)

Any girl who arrives at camp without the appropriate medical paperwork will not be allowed to stay unless she can obtain missing documents from her physician or an urgent care center. All health history, health exam and shot records need to be uploaded to the CampDoc website no less than two weeks prior to the camp start date. Physicals are required for both Resident Camp and Sampler Camp but not for Day Camp. The physical must be less than 12 months from the last day of camp that your camper will attend. For Day Camp only health history and immunization record are required.

Trading Post

The Trading Post will be open at check-in for campers to purchase items. Parents/guardians will also be able to leave money for a camper to purchase items during her stay at Resident Camp. The Trading Post will be available at check-in only at Day Camp and Sampler Camp. The store offers a variety of items including water bottles, stuffed animals, T-shirts, fun patches, jewelry, and more.

Camper Care Packages

Treat your camper to a special care package just for her! Choose from one of three options with items specially selected for campers from the GSGC Shop.

- The Basics. A kit with the basics needed for camp. A camp bag, flashlight and water bottle.
- The Happy Camper. The basics kit with a plush bed buddy and a bandana.
- Camper's Delight. The basics and happy camper kit with a camp journal activity book and a beach towel.

Photos

Group photos will be taken during each week of camp and can be purchased before the camp session or at check in. Photos can be ordered for $10 each, payable by cash or check only.

Not a Girl Scout?

You don't have to be a Girl Scout to attend Girl Scout Camp — all girls are welcome! If a camper is not currently a Girl Scout, an additional $25 will be added to the camp fee, registering camper as a Girl Scout until Sept. 30, 2019. Membership is non-refundable.

Confirmation Packet

The camper's parent/guardian will receive a confirmation packet and all forms after registering for summer camp. Adults should review the packet with the camper and complete all necessary forms. Campers should turn in these forms at check-in. The health forms need to be completed and sent two weeks prior to the camper's session through CampDoc.

Transportation

Parents are responsible for the transportation of their girls to and from camp. Transportation will be provided for special trips included in the camp session. For Day Camp, bus transportation will be provided with stops at several locations around the council area; registration and an additional fee are required. Carpools are encouraged. A photo ID is required to pick up a girl from camp.

All Things Financial

Deposits

A non-refundable deposit of $25 per camper is made at the time of registration for each camp. Payments can be made in full online or in installments.

If you have payment questions, contact us at (904) 388-4653.

Cancelations and Refunds

Cancelations must be received in writing no later than two weeks before the beginning of the camp session to not be held responsible for the entire fee. The $25 deposit is non-refundable. If the program is canceled due to weather, low registration numbers or other unforeseen circumstance, the adult who registered the girl will be notified via email to the address listed at the time of registration. Plans to reschedule, postpone, or cancel the program will be included in this email. All registrants will be given the option to reschedule (if option is available) or receive a refund at the time of cancelation.

Payments

To ensure a girl's place at camp, all payments must be received at least two weeks before the session begins. If payment is mailed, allow three business days for mailing. Payment can also be delivered to the GSGC office. If payment is not received, the girl's reservation will not be secured and her space and deposit will be forfeited. Payments can be made:

- Online by card when registering the camper. Camper Care Packages and photos can also be ordered and paid for online at the time of registration. (The link to make additional payments is in the initial receipt, below the yellow highlighted section.)
- By check, cash or credit/debit card, delivered or mailed to Girl Scouts of Gateway Council, Attn: Summer Camp, 1000 Shearer Ave., Jacksonville, FL 32205.
- Over the phone by card by calling (904) 388-4653.

Ways to Save

Resident camp specials

Sign up for resident camp and get a HUGE deal on summer adventure! Pay in full by the dates listed to qualify for the special pricing.

Pay in full by	Your price
April 15	$375
May 12	$400

Special pricing does not apply to CIT sessions, Sampler Camp or Camp on the Road. Cookie credits cannot be used toward these discounted sessions.

Multi-session discount

Attend multiple camp sessions! For every additional camp you register for, receive $20 off the final price of each session.

Discount applied after session registration closes. Does not apply to Weekend Camps.

Cookie rewards

Through the Girl Scout Cookie Program, girls can earn credits to help offset the cost of summer camp. Girls can stack earned and gifted credits:

- Up to $25 off Weekend Camp (girl only)
- Up to $50 off CIT
- Up to $50 off Day Camp
- Up to $100 off Sampler Camp
- Up to $200 off Resident Camp

If a girl earns the full week of camp ($425) they are responsible for the $25 deposit to secure their spot. Girls may use their $425 credit to cover the cost of a Sampler Camp or Day Camp, but they will forfeit the remaining balance of the credit.

Camp credits may not be applied toward Camp on the Road. If a girl wants to use her camp credit, the certificate must be mailed or brought to the GSGC Service Center by the payment deadline for the session. If credits are gifted to another Girl Scout, write the name of the recipient on the certificate.

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Outdoor Progression

Progression allows girls to learn the skills they need to become competent in the outdoors, including how to plan and organize outdoor activities. Acknowledge a girl's mastery of an outdoor skill and invite her to challenge herself further by taking that next step up and out! Outdoor fun can be endless when girls lead.

Look Out

Share past experiences in the outdoors.

Talk about favorite outdoor places and why they're special.

Wonder what else can be seen in the outdoors.

Meet Out

Step outside to look, listen, feel, and smell.

Share what was observed.

Learn more about what was discovered.

Move Out

Plan and take a short walk outside.

Discuss being prepared for the weather.

Do activities to explore nature.

Plan and carry out an indoor sleepover.

Explore Out

Plan and take a short and easy hike.

Discuss what to take in a day pack.

Dress for the weather.

Plan a healthy snack or lunch.

Learn how to stay safe in the outdoors.

Cook Out

Plan and cook a simple meal outdoors.

Make a list of gear and food supplies needed.

Learn and practice skills needed to cook a meal.

Review outdoor cooking safety.

Practice hand and dish sanitation.

Create a Kaper Chart for the cookout.

Sleep Out

Plan and carry out an overnight in a cabin/ backyard.

Discuss what to pack for the sleep out.

Learn to use and care for camping gear.

Learn and practice new outdoor skills.

Plan a menu with a new cooking skill.

Discuss campsite organization.

Plan time for fun activities.

Camp Out

Plan and take a 1- to 2-night camping trip.

Take more responsibility for planning.

Learn and practice a new outdoor skill.

Learn a new outdoor cooking skill.

Plan a food budget, then buy and pack food.

Practice campsite set up.

Plan an agenda that includes fun activities.

Explore/protect the surrounding environment.

Adventure Out

Plan and take an outdoor trip for several days.

Learn and practice a new outdoor skill.

Learn a new outdoor cooking skill.

Develop first-aid skills and use safety check points.

Budget, schedule, and make arrangements.

Participate in an environmental service project.

Teach and inspire others about the outdoors.

Imagine new experiences to be had outdoors.

Practice all Leave No Trace principles.

LEAVE NO TRACE PRINCIPLES:

- Plan Ahead & Prepare
- Leave What You Find
- Respect Wildlife
- Minimize Campfire Impacts
- Travel & Camp on Durable Surfaces
- Dispose of Waste Properly
- Be Considerate of Other Visitors

2019 Camper Kits

The Basics - $25
A kit with the basics needed for camp. Includes a camp bag, flashlight and waterbottle.

Happy Camper - $35
The Basics PLUS a plush bed buddy and a bandana.

Campers Delight - $50
The Basics and Happy Camper PLUS a camp journal activity book and a beach towel.

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Order a kit when you sign up for camp!

Go all in this summer!
More programs, events and training opportunities are on the way — stay tuned!

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