

girl scouts   
greater los angeles

# Summer Camp

## 2023 GUIDE



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February 8**

# GEAR UP for your Summer Adventures!



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Dear GSGLA Girl Scouts and Girl Scout Families,

Summer camp is a beloved Girl Scout tradition, and one that's more important now than ever. Many Girl Scouts describe camp as one of the best things about their Girl Scout experience—yet today's youth are not spending nearly enough time outdoors.

Girl Scout summer camp offers girls a place to unplug, decompress, and nurture their spirits through nature. When Girl Scouts get outside, they experience lifechanging benefits—including improved mental health, stronger social bonds, deeper appreciation for environmental care and sustainability, and increased happiness.

At GSGLA summer camp, your Girl Scout will reap the rewards of spending quality time outside at a location that's convenient for your family. Our properties across Greater LA offer fun outdoor experiences through a variety of activities and programs including overnight cabin camping and ziplining at Lakota, kayaking and paddleboarding at Marine Landing, rock-wall climbing and archery at El Ranchito, hiking and nature exploration at La Casita, and outdoor cooking and low-ropes challenge course at Mariposa. We're also excited to offer troop and family rentals at Osito Rancho for self-guided camping fun, and host STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics) day camp at our Inglewood Innovation Center.

Whatever the adventure, we provide Girl Scouts with a safe, welcoming environment where they will thrive physically, emotionally, and intellectually.

As the largest girl-serving nonprofit in Southern California, we're proud to offer camp at a tremendous cost value to parents and caregivers of girls across Greater LA. Because we believe every girl should experience the magic of Girl Scout camp—regardless of financial circumstance—we provide high quality experiences for as low a cost as possible and financial aid “camperships” are available.

We can't wait to see you at camp this summer!

Yours in Girl Scouting,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Theresa Edy Kiene".

Theresa Edy Kiene  
Chief Executive Officer



# Where It All Happens

## Overnight Camp in Frazier Park

Generations of Girl Scouts have cherished and enjoyed Camp Lakota—and now it's your turn! Nestled in the Tejon Pass, this camp is a hidden gem of classic camp activities. From the thrill of horseback riding, swimming in the sparkling pool, zip lining, taking aim at archery, low ropes, and enjoying new friendships around the flickering campfire, Lakota truly has something for everyone. Within a supportive, nurturing environment, campers are empowered and challenged to discover themselves. Lakota offers organized camp activities for troops, families, and individual campers throughout the summer. See p. 9 for the great fun and summer adventures here for you!



**Camp Lakota**



## Overnight Troop & Family Camping in Big Bear Lake

Love camping? Visit our beautiful Camp Osito Rancho. Osito is a spectacular 160-acre property located on a private access road in the San Bernardino Mountains above Big Bear Lake and is perfect for troop & family camping, stargazing, hiking and other outdoor adventures. See p. 28 for troop & family camping rentals offered here.



**MARIPOSA DAY CAMP**

## Day Camp in Altadena

Mariposa is a cozy, park-like property in the foothills of Altadena in the San Gabriel Valley. It includes a large grassy space, a wooded area with a small pond, and a campfire ring with an adjacent amphitheater. See p. 18 for weeklong themed day camps offered here.



**La Casita Day Camp**

## Day Camp in Claremont

Girls connect with nature at La Casita. Nestled in the foothills of north Claremont, this tranquil five-acre setting is surrounded by 1,600 acres of rolling hills, hiking trails, and bountiful wildlife. This is a great environment for girls to get a taste of camp. See p. 24 for the weeklong themed day camp offered here.

**Inglewood Innovation Center**

**STEAM Camp here.** The Inglewood Innovation Center is a unique space in the heart of Inglewood. The center is outfitted with special technology and tools to cultivate the creativity, innovation, and confidence of the girls who visit. See p. 26 for camp details.

**Santa Clarita**

**Arcadia**

**Inglewood**

**Long Beach**



## Day Camp in Long Beach

**El Ranchito** is an outdoor, park-like property located at GSGLA's Long Beach Service Center that features awesome outdoor and indoor spaces for activities. The property includes four fire rings, an archery range, low-ropes elements, and a climbing wall. See p. 20 for the weeklong themed day camps offered here.

**Plus!**

**Don't forget about troop and family camp rentals!** See p. 28 for details.

**The camp experience enriches lives and changes the world.**

GSGLA is focused on providing high quality experiences for as low of a cost to our Girl Scouts as possible. See p. 32 to learn more about financial aid "camperships".

**Plus!**

## Other awesome locations — Specialty Overnight Camps

In addition to the above GSGLA-owned facilities, GSGLA has partnerships with non-Girl Scout facilities to host specialty camping opportunities created to best meet the varying interests of girls. See p. 13 for our specialty overnight camps offered at these places.

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# How to Use This Guide

1. Find the perfect camp/camps to help your camper build upon skills or discover new passions!
2. Remember, grade levels listed for each camp session are for the upcoming 2023-24 school year.
3. Make note of the camp sessions you're interested in. Be sure to include the dates, the camp location, and the name of the session.  
Camp spots fill up fast! Be prepared when registration opens.
4. Some of our camps offer priority registration for current GSGLA members—please double check the camp session you're interested in and your member status.
5. Registration opens **Wednesday, February 8 at 7 a.m.**, register at [girlscoutsla.org/summercamp](http://girlscoutsla.org/summercamp)

# The Gift of Girl Scout Camp

## Why Campers Love It...

### Growing into themselves

*Campers feel like staff listen to them while they are at camp.*

“My favorite part of camp was teamwork, bonding with my other campers and counselors, and gaining confidence in myself and my ability to take lead.”

—2022 camper

“I loved hanging out with my friends, and they helped me cope with homesickness... This camp was so fun! I loved having the day packed with activities and friends.”

—2022 camper

### Building relationships with our staff and counselors-in-training

*Campers feel like staff listen to them while they are at camp.*

“I loved being able to canter and lope the horses. I also enjoyed all the people, and the counselors were so sweet and easy to talk to... I liked learning and making friendship bracelets. I absolutely LOVED my FIRST sleepaway camp.”

—2022 camper

“This was my daughter’s first year at any camp, and she went with some nervousness, but by the end of the first day she was beaming. The staff were loving and fun to her. She made many new friends and she’s been singing songs and chants that she learned all summer.”

—2022 camper's adult

“Far exceeded expectations. The team of PAs, CITs, and counselors created a special culture each week—my girls have a new core memory and will look forward to camp every year. Team is engaging, sets good examples, and balances the fun/silly with strong values. Can’t say enough good things!”

—2022 camper’s adult

“My daughter was able to see older girls acting as CITs and counselors, and they were wonderful role models for her and gave her a sense that this in an organization she would like to be a part of for many years.”

—2022 camper’s adult

## Why Caregivers Love It...

### Girl Scout Values

“My girl built skills, confidence, and friendships. She wanted to return each day. This is a big win for us.”

—2022 camper’s adult

“My daughter absolutely loved camp. I was not sure how she would do, so I only signed her up for one week. What a mistake! She had so much non-technological fun and learned camp songs I remember as a Brownie. I am so thankful we live close to such a wonderful program. She definitely will be returning next summer!”

—2022 camper’s adult

“I noticed her confidence increase because she was teaching her troop new songs and was able to articulate the flag process in the morning and taught them the pledge of allegiance.”

—2022 camper’s adult

“Her confidence in herself improved one thousand percent. She came home every day tired but so full of stories. She made new friends and really had a great summer. Thanks for everything and see you next year!”

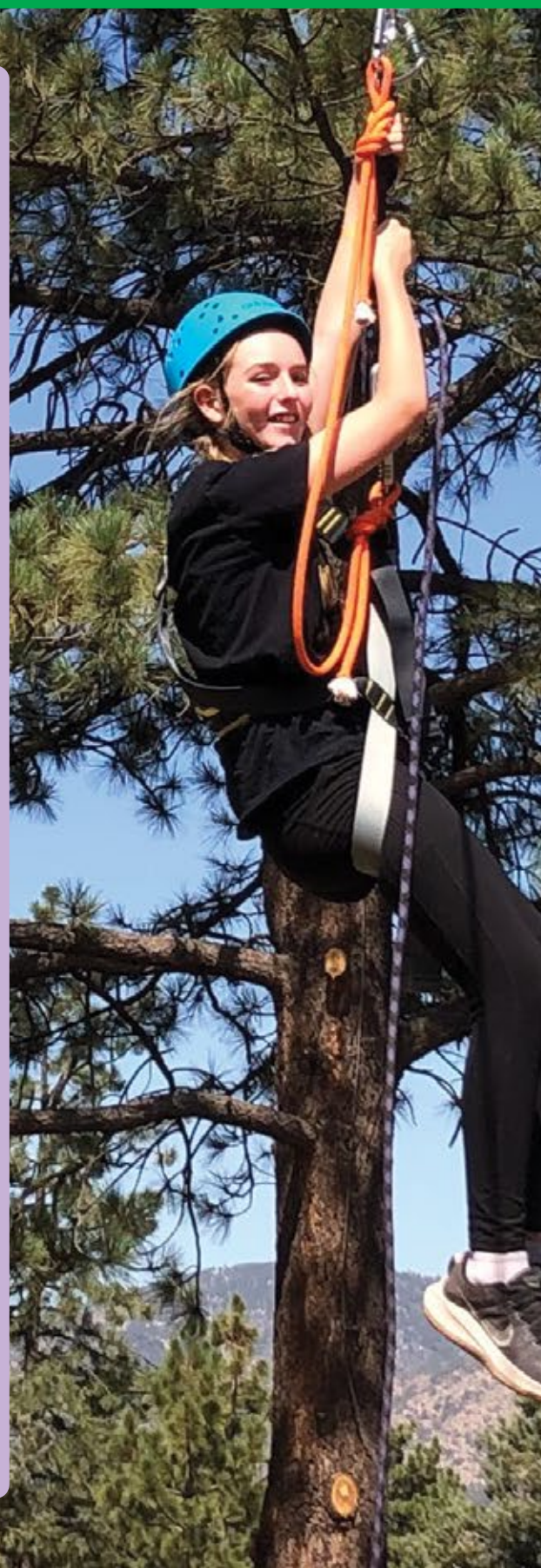
—2022 camper’s adult

### Safety

*Caregivers feel that their Girl Scout is safe when she is at a GSGLA camp.*

“My daughter attended several non-Girl Scout camps this summer, and I was SO impressed with your staff. They were young and relatable for the kids but also really perceptive and caring toward my daughter. They noticed things about her that no other camp [did], and they came up with thoughtful ways to individually help her with her struggles.”

—2022 camper’s adult





# All About Overnight Camp

Overnight camp is the quintessential experience that generations of Girl Scouts have cherished and enjoyed. In our nurturing yet empowering community, campers try new things, take healthy risks, and meet and learn from campers across Los Angeles. The extended time at overnight camp also allows for enhanced skill development in many activities. Campers return home with increased confidence and a sense of independence that helps them be more successful in school.



## Meet Your Overnight Camp Director

**Jennifer O. AKA "Zion"**

**Lakota Overnight Camp**

*Director*

**lakotacamp@girlscoutsla.org**

**Hometown:** Los Angeles

**Favorite Camp Activity:** Archery



Located in the middle of a pristine pine forest on nearly 60 acres in Frazier Park, Lakota is the perfect place to get back to nature.



# Lakota Overnight Camp

 **@Camp.Lakota**

The magic and fun of Camp Lakota await you! Nestled in the Tejon Pass, this camp is a hidden gem of classic camp activities. Lakota offers exciting opportunities for the first-time camper as well as the seasoned camper. From the thrill of horseback riding, swimming in the sparkling pool, zip lining, taking aim at archery, low ropes, and enjoying new friendships around the flickering campfire, Lakota truly has something for everyone. With emphasis placed on teamwork and building community, campers developed strong bonds and gain leadership skills. Campers go home with a stronger feeling of independence and self-esteem and an incredible sense of accomplishment and belonging. Exciting adventures, new friends, and memories to last a lifetime are here at Camp Lakota.



## Transportation

Chartered bus from Girl Scouts' Arcadia, Canoga Park, Inglewood, and Long Beach service centers. Family and troop camp does not include transportation.

## Accommodations

Sleeping accommodations range from cabins (both with and without electricity) and tents, all with bathroom amenities. Equestrian campers will stay in cabins without electricity, while CITs and night crawlers (see definition of this new position below) will enjoy tents and hammocks.



### OPEN HOUSE June 17

Bring a picnic lunch and meet the staff at Camp Lakota on June 17, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

### CAMP INFORMATION WEBINAR

We strongly encourage all first-time families and those interested in learning more about Lakota to join us during one of our webinars. In this short presentation, the camp director will go over need-to-know information and it's an excellent way to learn what makes Lakota such a special place, plus get answers to your questions.

**Dates:**

**March 28 at 7 p.m.**

**April 26 at 4 p.m.**

**May 25 at 6 p.m.**

Zoom Meeting ID: 961 9423 1193

Passcode: Camp2023

# Weekly Programs

## Session Schedule:

- Session 1:** June 19–23 (four nights)
- Session 2:** June 26–30 (four nights)
- Session 3:** July 3–7 (four nights)
- Session 4:** July 10–14 (four nights)
- Session 5:** July 17–21 (four nights)
- Session 6:** July 24–28 (four nights)
- Session 7:** July 31–August 2 (two nights)



	SESSION	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
CAMP PROGRAM	INTO THE PINES	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	ADVENTURE BOUND	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	NIGHT CRAWLERS			X			X	
	SLICE OF CAMP							X
	TAKE THE REINS			X	X		X	
	SADDLE UP	X	X			X		
	CIT	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	CIT 2	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	WRANGLER IN TRAINING	X	X	X	X	X	X	

## Horseback Riding

All campers at Lakota have one horseback ride during their session unless enrolled in an equestrian program. For this activity, the maximum weight allowed is 200 pounds. These horseback riding experiences will be a lesson in the arena. To add to the fun, all campers have the chance to help feed and care for the Lakota herd.

**Note: Grade indicates level entering in the fall.**  
**Archery: Campers must be entering fourth grade or beyond to participate in archery.**  
**High ropes: Campers must be entering sixth grade or beyond to participate in high ropes.**

## Camp Classics

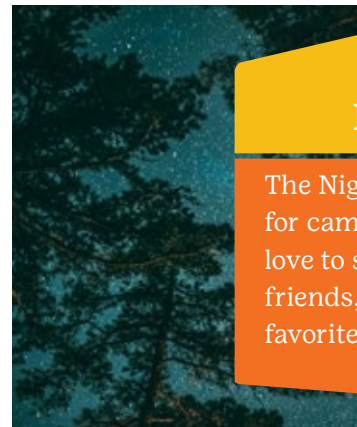
**INTO THE PINES**  
**Sessions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6**  
 Grades 2-5, \$945

Find adventure on the zipline, aim for a bullseye at the archery range, and learn the basics of horseback riding. Explore new skills, get crafty in the pavilion, and make a splash in our pool. Classic camp experience for Brownies and Juniors.

**ADVENTURE BOUND**  
**Sessions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6**  
 Grades 6-8, \$945

This is YOUR time and Lakota is waiting for you. Enjoy all the classic camp activities—zipline, archery, horseback riding, and more. Plus, help choose many of the activities your group will do. What will it be? Cook a gourmet meal over the campfire and enjoy a leisurely sleep-in breakfast. You might

take a twilight walk for some fantastic stargazing or plan a flash mob. And at the end of the day, share talks around a flickering campfire with new friends. It's all about the adventure! Classic camp experience for Cadettes.



### NEW FOR TEENS!

The Night Crawler program is for campers in grades 9-12 who love to stay up late, make new friends, and experience all their favorite activities at Lakota

**NIGHT CRAWLERS**  
**Sessions 3 & 6**

**NEW!**

Grades 9-12, \$945  
 When the sun goes down and the moon comes up the entire world changes. Explore the wild side of Lakota! Play night games from flashlight tag to glow in the dark archery. Take a twilight hike then have a sleep-in breakfast. Explore the night sky for brilliant constellations and shooting stars to make a wish on. Plus, enjoy all the daytime fun of Lakota, too. Classic camp experience for Seniors and Ambassadors.

**SLICE OF CAMP**  
**Session 7**

Grades 1-12, \$560  
 Not ready for a full week of camp? Our slice of camp program is for you! In this special three-day program, you can get a real taste of camp life. Swim in the pool, make delicious s'mores, get creative with crafts, ride a horse, take a special twilight hike, and sing songs under starry skies. Have a dance party and jam with your new camp friends!

## Equestrian Programs

Camp Lakota provides a foundational equine experience. Campers will receive a riding assessment on the first day of camp and are placed in the riding class based on their skill level. Campers unable to meet the requirements may be placed in an alternate program. Campers participate in theory lessons, take part in horse care, and management.

**TAKE THE REINS**  
**Sessions: 3, 4, 6**

Grades 2-5, \$1200  
 Jump in the saddle! Take part in three riding lessons to learn the basics or enhance the skills you already have in horse-back riding. Lakota provides a foundational equine experience which includes teaching campers the following: basic balanced position at halt and walk; how to stop, start, and steer a horse; proper barn etiquette; tacking; and grooming. Campers will ride Western. This equestrian program is for Brownies and Juniors.  
 Due to the limited capacity of this program, we are prioritizing registration of GSGLA Girl Scout members until March 1, 2023.

**SADDLE UP**  
**Sessions 1, 2, 5**

Grades 6-8, \$1200  
 Saddle up like a true mountain Girl Scout! Take part in classic camp activities and enjoy in three riding lessons to learn the basics or enhance the skills you already have in horse-back riding. Lakota provides a foundational equine experience which includes teaching campers the following: basic balanced position at halt and walk; how to stop, start, and steer a horse; proper barn etiquette; tacking; and grooming. Campers will ride Western style. This equestrian program for Cadette.  
 Due to the limited capacity of this program, we are prioritizing registration of GSGLA Girl Scout members until March 1, 2023.

**CIT/WIT Programs** — application required! Visit page 14 for more information.

Discover, connect, and take action as you spend three weeks (Monday-Friday) at Camp Lakota building your leadership skills! Grow your confidence through team building, self-discovery, and activities that leave a lasting impact on campers. Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles progressive leadership program gives YOU the skills, experiences, and opportunities to let your leadership light shine! And the fun doesn't stop after camp! You'll be a part of a year-round program with other CIT Girl Scouts from across the council in which you will meet monthly, both virtually and in-person, for bonding opportunities, trainings, workshops, tailored programming, volunteer opportunities, and more!

**Financial aid, in the form of "camperships," is available!**



**CIT 1**  
**Session 1-3 and/or Session 4-6**

Grades 9-12, \$1520  
 Discover, connect, and take action. Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles progressive leadership program gives YOU the skills, experiences, and opportunities to let your leadership light shine! During your 3 weeks at Camp Lakota (Monday-Friday) as a CIT I, you'll learn the foundational leadership skills needed to be a leader and mentor to those around you.

**CIT 2**  
**Session 1-3 and/or Session 4-6**

Grades 10-12, \$1520  
 Have you completed the CIT I program? Are you ready to take your leadership skills to the next level? Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles progressive leadership program gives you the skills, experiences, and opportunities to let your leadership light shine. During your three weeks at Camp Lakota (Monday-Friday) as a CIT II, you'll build on your leadership skills learned in CIT I and play a larger role in mentoring campers and helping create a camp culture. Prerequisite: Completed CIT (Counselor in Training) I.

**WRANGLER-IN-TRAINING (WIT)** **NEW!**  
**Session 1-3 and/or Session 4-6**

Grades 10-12, \$1520  
 Develop program and youth leadership skills while also assisting with beginning riding lessons for campers and learning more about horseback riding program operations and management. You'll also help saddle, groom, feed, and care for the horses. Participants receive a daily riding lesson and will be at the barn most of the day! Prerequisite: must have completed CIT 1 at Lakota.

# Important Overnight Camp Information

## Program Notes

Every camper who attends overnight camp will receive a camp patch and t-shirt.

Campers participating in our equestrian programs are scheduled for three riding lessons (one lesson each full day of camp; Tuesday-Thursday) during their camp experience (weather permitting).

## Transportation

Bus transportation\* (roundtrip) is included in the cost of each session. This allows campers an opportunity to meet other campers before they arrive at camp. Overnight camp buses are chaperoned by camp staff.

Transportation method is indicated on your CampDoc forms and once selected, cannot be changed. Chartered buses will run roundtrip from the following GSGLA service centers: Arcadia, Canoga Park, Inglewood, and Long Beach. Family and troop camp does not include transportation.

The Remind app will be our main source of communication on bus days and will be updated with real-time arrival and departure information. Information will be sent a week before the start of a session.

*\*You can also choose to drive your child to and from camp but please note that we **cannot accommodate** interchanging methods of transportation. If campers ride the bus to camp, they must ride the bus home from camp. If you drop your camper off at camp, you must pick your camper up at camp. **We are unable to make any exceptions.***

## Meals

Campers are provided three nutritious meals and snacks daily. Special diets can be accommodated, including vegetarian, gluten-free, nut-free, kosher, and dairy-free options at each meal (must be noted in CampDoc Form). Campers with food allergies must understand their allergies and know what foods to eat/not eat while at camp. We may not be able to accommodate severe allergies. If you would like to discuss your camper's accommodations, please contact the camp director at lakotacamp@girlscoutsla.org.

## Health Forms

Health history forms are completed through CampDoc.com, a secure, encrypted, and password-protected electronic health record system for camps. Within one week of your registration, you will receive a link to set up your account and complete your camper's health history. Each camper is required to have a physical examination (physician-signed) within 12

months of her scheduled camp session. **Health forms must be completed one week before the start of your camper's session. All health forms are submitted/uploaded via CampDoc.com.** If you have any questions, please contact the camp director at lakotacamp@girlscoutsla.org

CampDoc is available in Spanish. If you need further assistance on accessing the Spanish version of CampDoc please contact us at 626-677-2282 or via email at camphealthforms@girlscoutsla.org.

## Special Needs and Accommodations

Our goal is to provide a positive experience for all Girl Scouts—help us ensure your camper's success at camp. If your Girl Scout has medical or other special needs and can function well with a 1:6 adult-to-camper ratio, we encourage you to work with us to identify our most appropriate camp program. You can discuss with the camp director the nature of your camper's needs to determine if our camp can provide the proper support and supervision. Parents/guardians of campers with special needs, disabilities, or mobility issues should contact the camp director lakotacamp@girlscoutsla.org.

## Staff

We hand-pick our caring, skilled staff from around the world based on their ability to work with youth, teach and share skills, and be part of a team, as well as their commitment to the values of Girl Scouting. Lakota hires staff of all genders.

## Weather

Due to rapidly changing weather conditions, activities at camp may have to be altered or canceled. Our primary concern is camper safety, and every effort will be made to reschedule activities.

## Specialized Program Requirements

All campers at Lakota have one horseback ride during their session unless enrolled in an equestrian program. For this activity, the maximum weight allowed is 200 pounds. These horseback riding experiences will be a lesson in the arena. To add to the fun, all campers have the chance to help feed and care for the Lakota herd.

High Ropes: Campers must be entering 6th grade to participate in the high ropes course.

## General Questions/Contact

For more info about overnight camp sessions, operations, activities, or dietary needs, please contact the camp director: Jennifer AKA "Zion"  
Camp Lakota: lakotacamp@girlscoutsla.org, 626-677-2577

# Specialty Weekend Overnight Camps (Individuals, Troops, or Family Camp)

GSGLA summer camps are for everyone—consider these extra unique opportunities!

## FAMILY CAMP

### Camp Lakota - Family Camp

Aug. 11-13 (two nights)

Grades K-12, \$265 per person

An adventure for the whole family! Come to Lakota for a weekend and experience all the fun and excitement of this amazing mountain camp. Fly through the sky on our zipline or build up your family teamwork with challenges on the low ropes course. From arts and crafts, archery, to campfire sing-a-longs under starry skies, there's something here for every member of the family. Try an activity led by camp staff or just relax and spend time on your own. Special all-camp events will be offered throughout the weekend too. Make it a family adventure and end your summer together.

## CURIOSITY (Try it - Family Camp)

### Camp Lakota - Family Camp

Aug. 17-18 (one night)

Grades K-12, \$150 per person

Is your family curious about what camp life is about but not ready to spend three days there? Bring one, bring all to explore the wonderful world of Camp Lakota for a one night "try it" program. Enjoy all the classics from archery and swimming to arts and crafts, there are plenty of new adventures to try—including s'mores! Great for our first-time campers or those who want to squeeze in one more experience before the summer is over.

## TROOP CAMP

### Camp Lakota - Troops only

Aug. 3-6 Session 1 (three nights)

Aug. 7-10 Session 2 (three nights)

Grades K-12, \$353 per person

Start your troop year off with an amazing outdoor getaway to our beautiful Lakota resident camp in the Tejon Pass. Spend four days learning and improving age-specific outdoor skills and enjoying program experiences under the guidance of our resident camp specialist. From swimming, low challenge course, and campfire under starry skies. Campers in 4th grade and above can enjoy archery and the zip line. We'll provide the program and meals; you provide the supervision and transportation. It's an outdoor troop adventure you won't want to miss!



**Special Program Note:** For all troop and family camp programs, participants must be at least seven years old and under the maximum weight of 200 pounds for horseback riding. Campers must be entering 4th grade to participate in archery and 6th grade to participate in the high ropes course.



## Camp Leadership Experiences

### PROGRAM AIDE (PA)

*El Ranchito, La Casita, and Mariposa*

- all sessions

**Grades 7-8, \$80/week**

You still get to participate in all the camp fun, but now it's your turn to step up as a leader and have your voice heard! You'll learn leadership fundamentals and receive mentorship from CITs and staff as you begin your transition from camper to camp leader. Register now through gsEvents.

### Counselor-In-Training

Our CIT leadership program is now a year-round, progressive, experiential leadership opportunity. Discover, connect, and take action as you spend two weeks (or more!) at day camp, or three weeks at overnight camp, building your leadership skills. Grow your confidence through team building, self-discovery, and activities that leave a lasting impact on campers. Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles progressive leadership program gives you the skills, experiences, and opportunities to let your leadership light shine.

#### CIT 1 – day camp and overnight camp

*Prerequisites:* interest in becoming a leader in Girl Scouts and entering high school

Girl Scouts learn the foundation of camp leadership through team building, self-reflection, and identifying personal growth areas. CITs will leave camp able to assist with implementation of camp for younger campers.

#### CIT 2– day camp and overnight camp

*Prerequisites:* must have completed CIT 1

Girl Scouts will utilize gained knowledge and resources from their CIT 1 experience to plan and lead camp activities with minimal direction. CIT 2 participants will also learn how to apply these new skills outside of camp and in future endeavors.

#### WIT (Wrangler-in-Training) – Lakota Overnight Camp ONLY

*Prerequisites:* must have completed CIT 1 at Lakota

Develop program and youth leadership skills while also assisting with beginning riding lessons for campers and learning more about horseback riding program operations and management. You'll also help saddle, groom, feed, and care for the horses. Participants receive a daily riding lesson and will be at the barn most of the day.

## CIT Application Period: February 1 - March 30, 2023

### How to Apply?

All prospective CITs and LITs must complete an online application, including one reference form, at **GSGLA CIT page**. Applications will be accepted until March 30. Applicants will receive notice of their acceptance the week of April 3.

### How to Register?

Registration will open on gsEvents on April 3 for all that applied and are accepted into the program.

CITs accepted into the program will attend a GSGLA CIT conference weekend at Camp Lakota. Conference provides leadership trainings, networking opportunities, meals, and accommodations all included in the GSGLA CIT Program cost.

Price includes a consecutive two-week summer session, monthly leadership trainings, networking events, an overnight CIT Leadership Conference at Camp Lakota, volunteer opportunities, and more.

### Staff

We're looking for camp counselors, unit leaders, lifeguards, archery specialists, high ropes specialists, and more!

GSGLA staff summer camp experiences are great resume builders that create unforgettable memories and friendships. Working at camp is a great way to develop your communication, problem-solving, and leadership skills while being innovative and having fun at camp.

Apply now at Careers ([girlscoutsla.org](http://girlscoutsla.org)). Must be 18+ at the start of camp.

“This camp is TRULY led by the kids - from the oldest as Counselors, down to CITs, to PAs and the progression up is the best building blocks to leadership and in that way success!! My older daughter progressed to a Counselor this year and I am so proud of her accomplishment, and she got paid to help at a place she loves!! My CIT daughter really blossomed this summer and went from a PA last year who was slightly more interested in being with her friends to someone who really cared about the kids and tried hard to make their experience a good one. She showed grit and heart and becoming a leader really allowed her to see that she was an important part of camp ...Their Girl Scout camp experiences really allowed both of my girls to grow this summer!” —adult of 2022 campers

2023 GSGLA  
CIT Conference  
Camp Lakota  
September 15-17,  
2023

### NEW in 2023!

**Have you completed CIT 1 and 2? Are you entering 12th grade in the fall?**

Join us at one of our day camps as a *paid* junior counselor!

*Prerequisites:* must be going into 12th grade, **AND** must have completed CIT 1 and CIT 2  
Apply now on [girlscoutsla.org](http://girlscoutsla.org).



### Year-round CIT Leadership Experience

\$325 for the entire 2023 year  
**Camperships (financial aid) are available, see p. 32.**

- CIT conference at Camp Lakota (meals and accommodations included)
- A consecutive two-week (or more!) summer camp session at day camp or a three-week session at overnight camp (extra fees apply for overnight camp (see page 11).
- Year-round virtual CIT meetings
- Year-round in person CIT events
- Outdoor program volunteer opportunities
- CIT t-shirt and pin



# All About Day Camp

Girl Scout Day Camp is all about making friends, trying new things, exploring the outdoors, and having fun in a safe, youth-led environment.

From science experiments to archery, and camping skills to paddle boarding, find your next great adventure at one of our day camps. Each of our camps has different features, but the same commitment to helping campers experience the best of what Girl Scouting has to offer.



**Aliyah N. AKA "Diamond"**



**Mariposa Day Camp**  
*Director*  
 mariposacamp@girlscoutsla.org  
**Hometown:** Opelousas, LA  
**Favorite Camp Activity:**  
 Making Boondoggles!

**Marah S. AKA "Quill"**



**Marine Landing Day Camp**  
*Director*  
 marinelandingcamp@girlscoutsla.org  
**Hometown:** Las Vegas, NV  
**Favorite Camp Activity:**  
 Dress Up Days

**Giselle M. AKA "Friend"**



**El Ranchito Day Camp**  
*Director*  
 elranchitocamp@girlscoutsla.org  
**Hometown:** New York, NY  
**Favorite Camp Activity:**  
 Capture the Flag

**Cheyenne U. AKA "Milo"**



**La Casita Day Camp**  
*Director*  
 lacasitacamp@girlscoutsla.org  
**Hometown:** Sandy, UT  
**Favorite Camp Activity:**  
 Singing songs!

Nestled in a quiet neighborhood in the foothills, this beloved day camp brings Girl Scouts close to nature while taking part in both traditional and innovative programs.

# MARIPOSA DAY CAMP

 @CampMariposa

Mariposa, located in Altadena, offers unique, themed weeks from which campers can choose. Campers participate in new and traditional Girl Scouts activities while making new friends, developing self-esteem, and making lasting memories. Every week, campers will enjoy our gaga (a kinder, gentler version of dodgeball) court, low-ropes elements, STEAM lab science activities, and kids' kitchen cooking activities. The themes for each week provide additional experiences for the campers.

Extended care is back! Morning care runs 7-9 a.m. and afternoon care runs 4-6 p.m. There is no daily rate and you must register for each individually. Please Note: A \$10 late fee will be charged every 15 minutes after 6 p.m.



## PROGRAM AIDE

All sessions available (1 week)

Grades 7-8, \$80

You still get to participate in all the camp fun, but now it's your turn to step up as a leader and have your voice heard! You'll learn leadership fundamentals and receive mentorship from CITs and staff as you begin your transition from camper to camp leader. Visit page 14 to learn more!

## PAINT, PLAY, AND CREATE

June 5-9

Grades K-6, \$250

Get your aprons on and prepare to make a mess this week with paint, clay, inks, and pencils! Try your hand at different art forms this week—from screen printing your very own camp shirt to making a totally unique comic book, this week will surely get your creative juices flowing.

## LITERARILY FUN

June 12-16

Grades K-6, \$250

Flip to a new page of fun this summer! Explore the adventures of Harry Potter, Percy Jackson, Alice in Wonderland, and others. Learn how to write your own story and illustrate your own adventure. Come dressed up as your favorite literary character on Friday.

## RAWR XD

June 19-23

Grades K-6, \$250

Lions, tigers, and bears, how cool! From sweet tiny kittens to dangerous alligators, campers will learn about the animals that inhabit our world. Make animal-themed crafts, dress up as your favorite critter, and get the chance to meet some real-life animals this week.

## THE CAMPER, THE MYTH, THE LEGEND

June 26-30

Grades K-6, \$250

Dragons, Dungeons, and Demigods! Open your eyes and ears to myths, rhymes, and fairytales, new and old, from around the world and through the centuries. Learn what it takes to create your own time-tested story and come dressed as your favorite mythological creature on Friday!

## GOING ON A BEAR HUNT

July 3-7 (Closed July 4)

Grades K-6, \$200

Start a fire, pitch a tent, and roll out your sleeping bags! Campers will learn about camping basics and what they can do to keep campsites a beautiful place for years to come. Make s'mores, play games, and try some fun crafts at Camp Mariposa. Juniors and older will get the chance to stay late one night for some firsthand learning and fun.

## GROUND CONTROL TO JULIETTE LOW

July 10-14

Grades K-6, \$250

Blast off this week with tons of STEAM based learning and fun. Future astronauts and undercover Martians alike will have tons of fun this week as we traverse the galaxy through crafts and project-based learning.

## UP, UP, AND AWAY!

July 17-21

Grades K-6, \$250

Be a hero! Get ready to make a difference just like your favorite superheroes! Everyone must start somewhere, even Wonder Woman. Train like an Avenger, empathize like a member of the X-Men, and have fun like a superhero!

## UNDER THE BIG TOP

July 24-28

Grades K-6, \$250

Perform and play this week with fun tricks and games that you're sure to bring home. Learn to handle stage fright just in time for our Friday Mariposa circus where campers will enjoy popcorn, face painting, and perform for their peers if they wish.

## ANIME CAMPERS

July 31- Aug. 4

Grades K-6, \$250

Hard work, humility, and most important, friendship! We'll end our camp season by teaching your go-getting, innovative, risk-taking leaders life lessons with the aid of characters and plotlines from a medium growing in popularity amongst the youth: anime! :3



Campers discover the outdoors in their own backyard while they play games, challenge themselves, and make friends at this popular day camp.



# EL RANCHITO DAY CAMP

@ElRanchitoDayCamp

Located in Long Beach, El Ranchito offers an exciting adventure every week! At this beautiful tree-filled, park-like day camp, campers explore traditional Girl Scout activities such as games, arts and crafts, songs, interacting with nature, and making new friends. El Ranchito is home to many exciting elements, including an archery range, gaga (a kinder and gentler version of dodgeball) court, low-ropes course, and a 32-foot-tall climbing wall. (Note: Due to safety activity guidelines from Girl Scouts of the USA, kindergarten and first-grade campers are unable to participate in climbing and archery, but have their own special activities, including water balloon slingshot practice and more intensive low-ropes activities.)

Extended care is back! Morning care runs 7-9 a.m. and afternoon care runs 4-6 p.m. There is no daily rate and you must register for each individually. Please Note: A \$10 late fee will be charged every 15 minutes after 6 p.m.

## PROGRAM AIDE

All sessions available (1 week)

Grades 7-8, \$80

You still get to participate in all the camp fun, but now it's your turn to step up as a leader and have your voice heard! You'll learn leadership fundamentals and receive mentorship from CITs and staff as you begin your transition from camper to camp leader. Visit page 14 to learn more!

## COLOR ME UNIQUE

June 12-16

Grades K-3, \$250

Grades 4-6, \$260 (Wednesday evening program)

Time to get artsy! Turn on your creative brains to create paintings, DIY projects, design outfits and explore different mediums of art. Campers will get a chance to create individual and group projects that express different feelings, seasons, themes, and art periods.

## ONCE UPON A CAMP

June 19-23

Grades K-6, \$250

Once upon a time in a faraway land called El Ranchito... Campers will bring their favorite stories to life using their imaginations and the power of storytelling!

## DREAM TEAM

June 26-30

Grades K-3, \$250

Grades 4-6, \$260 (Wednesday evening program)

Game on! Join us for a week of sports fun. Be prepared to try kickball, water relays, yoga, and chess. Campers will try new ways to get their bodies moving with different games, work with a team and reach new heights.

## IN IT TO WIN IT

July 3-7 (Closed July 4)

Grades K-6, \$200

Survey says... it's game show week at El Ranchito! We're turning camp into our very own game show network with trivia games like what you see on TV. Get ready for a week filled with teamwork, agility training, brain-puzzling games, and endless fun.

## EL RANCHITO SURVIVOR EXTREME

July 10-14

Grades K-3, \$250

Grades 4-6, \$260 (Wednesday evening program)

It's time for our annual El Ranchito Survivor week! Face off in a week of friendly, spirited competitions, test your outdoor survival skills, and participate in the much-loved kick ball tournament. Which tribe will join our Legacy Winners Circle?

## PASS THE PLATE

July 17-21

Grades K-6, \$250

Grab your passports as we embark on a cultural journey that explores the food, music, and traditions throughout the world. Campers will learn how to make traditional cuisines and immerse themselves in multicultural experiences.

## MISSION POSSIBLE

July 24-28

Grades K-3, \$250

Grades 4-6, \$260 (Wednesday evening program)

El Ranchito is recruiting a group of skilled operatives to learn what it takes to be a spy through STEAM activities and help our El Ranchito spy agency uncover a major mystery. During this week of mystery mayhem, anything is possible! Do you have what it takes to uncover the mystery?

## BROADWAY BOUND

July 31- August 4

Grades K-6, \$250

The lights are shining on El Ranchito as campers take the stage to perform. Campers will sing and dance with their unit and create a show stopping performance.

## CAMP FOREVER

August 7-11

Grades K-6, \$250

Our last week of camp will focus on the highlights of summer 2023. We are bringing back all our favorite activities! Experience all the fun in our final week together from dance-offs and outdoor cooking to survivor relays.



Spending summer at the beach is a Southern California tradition, and Girl Scouts join in on the fun through exciting aquatic activities at this unique waterfront camp.



# MARINE LANDING DAY CAMP

@MarineLanding

	PADDLERS CAMP Grades K-3	MARINERS CAMP Grades 4-8
PADDLE SPORTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Canoe and kayak basics— body position, strokes, and boat parts</li> <li>• Capsize recoveries (a Marine Landing favorite!)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase balance and strength on stand-up paddleboards</li> <li>• Build kayak skills through extended excursions</li> <li>• Canoe rescue and recovery techniques</li> </ul>
MARINE SCIENCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction of basic STEM concepts</li> <li>• Environmental stewardship programming</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build on STEM skills through collaborative activities</li> <li>• Marine preservation and citizen science</li> </ul>
GIRL SCOUT TRADITIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Badge work and journey activities to help fill that vest</li> <li>• Lots of songs and field games</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Badge work and journey activities to help prepare for higher awards</li> <li>• Select Thursday extended evening programming</li> </ul>

Marine Landing is a waterfront camp experience like no other. Located in Long Beach, Marine Landing offers unique programming that focuses on paddle sports, marine science, and Girl Scout traditions. The calm waters of Alamitos Bay offer the perfect location for beginning paddlers to learn new skills and an expansive landscape for expert mariners to seek new challenges. Each themed week includes daily boating and free swim time.

**Monday Swim Evaluation**  
Every Monday, campers go through water safety orientation, including proper boat safety, and are required to participate in a swim evaluation. All swimming abilities may participate in all camp programming. Life vests are mandatory while boating and are available for swimming.

**Our Staff**  
Our entire staff is Red Cross Lifeguard Certified and attends mandatory training to help give your Girl Scout the confidence and skills to become an expert paddler. Our staff are the experts when it comes to making sure each camper has a safe space to try new things and build friendships that last a lifetime.

Extended care is back!  
Morning care runs 7-9 a.m. and afternoon care runs 4-6 p.m.  
There is no daily rate and you must register for each individually.  
Please Note: A \$10 late fee will be charged every 15 minutes after 6 p.m.

### GO FOR THE GOLD... BRONZE OR SILVER June 12-16

Grades K-3 or 4-8, \$275  
Team Greece took home the Olympics' Gold last summer... who will be our champions this year? From the classic synchronized swimming event to all-camp relays, campers will learn how to move together and work collaboratively to show off their team spirit. The competition is heating up!  
Due to the limited capacity of this program, we are prioritizing registration of GSGLA Girl Scout members until March 1, 2023.

### ALL ABOARD THE HOGWARTS EXPRESS! June 19-23

Grades K-3 or 4-8, \$275  
Owls are on their way with your acceptance letters to Hogwarts! Hurry now to Platform 9 3/4... you don't want to miss your chance to be sorted, meet your Potions professor, and compete in our late night Triwizard Tournament. Thursday extended program for grades 4-8.  
Due to the limited capacity of this program, we are prioritizing registration of GSGLA Girl Scout members until March 1, 2023.

### BEACH CAMP IS S'MORE FUN June 26-30

Grades K-3 or 4-8, \$275  
Love singing camp songs, making s'mores, and pitching tents? Join us for a week of fun in the sand as we test our Girl Scout outdoor camping skills right on our very own beach. By the end of this week, you'll be prepared to plan your own traditional camp experience.  
Due to the limited capacity of this program, we are prioritizing registration of GSGLA Girl Scout members until March 1, 2023.

### THE SEARCH FOR ATLANTIS July 3-7 (Closed July 4)

Grades K-3 or 4-8, \$220  
Hold your breath as we dive deep into the ocean searching for the lost city of Atlantis! Campers will learn how to harness the power of the earth, sea, and air to engineer utopian cities of the future. Thursday extended program for grades 4-8.  
Due to the limited capacity of this program, we are prioritizing registration of GSGLA Girl Scout members until March 1, 2023.

### MARINE LANDING WINTER RETREAT July 10-14

Grades K-3 or 4-8, \$275  
In the dead heat of summer, steal away with us to a winter camp wonderland! We'll warm our fingers and toes near the fire, sip hot cocoa, sing carols, and learn about the wonderful world of winter sports.  
Due to the limited capacity of this program, we are prioritizing registration of GSGLA Girl Scout members until March 1, 2023.

### MARINE ISLAND'S HIDDEN TREASURES July 17-21

Grades K-3 or 4-8, \$275  
Join us this week at your own risk! A mystery of hidden treasure is afoot at Marine Island, and our sailing ship is full speed ahead. Time to put our investigation skills to the test -it's a race to be the first to find Marine Island's Hidden Treasures. Thursday extended program for grades 4-8.  
Due to the limited capacity of this program, we are prioritizing registration of GSGLA Girl Scout members until March 1, 2023.

### HERSTORY: WOMEN WHO CHANGE THE WORLD July 24-28

Grades K-3 or 4-8, \$275  
It's time to celebrate women in STEAM! Innovators of the past and present will inspire our campers to seek out potential careers in science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics industries.  
Due to the limited capacity of this program, we are prioritizing registration of GSGLA Girl Scout members until March 1, 2023.

### A MIDSUMMER CAMP'S DREAM July 31-Aug. 4

Grades K-3 or 4-8, \$275  
"All the world's a stage, and all the campers merely players." We're taking the art of storytelling to the center stage! Making costumes and building sets are just a few of the tasks at hand as we get ready for our end of the week Shakespeare performances by the sea. Thursday extended program for grades 4-8.  
Due to the limited capacity of this program, we are prioritizing registration of GSGLA Girl Scout members until March 1, 2023.

### DESTINATION: ANIMATION! Aug. 7-11

Grades K-3 or 4-8, \$275  
Love anime, cartoons, and comic books? Curious to know how CGI works? This week our destination is everything animation. From directed drawing to producing AI-generated artwork, we're taking the combination of art and technology to a new level at camp.  
Due to the limited capacity of this program, we are prioritizing registration of GSGLA Girl Scout members until March 1, 2023.



Girl Scouts take a break from city life at this hidden gem, where girls connect with the outdoors and embark on adventures in the wilderness close to home.

# LA CASITA DAY CAMP

@LaCasitaDayCamp

La Casita, a beautiful and historic camp cherished by generations of Girl Scouts, is nestled peacefully in the hillsides above Claremont. Adjacent to the Claremont Hills Wilderness Park, it is home to fascinating native plants and animals. There is no better place for campers to step away from the urban hustle and bustle and learn about the natural world and how humans can protect it. In addition to each week's theme activities and Girl Scout badgework, campers of all ages will enjoy traditional camp fun, including arts & crafts, songs, games, campcraft skills, hikes, service projects, flag ceremonies, water play, archery, and more—and, of course, friendships that will last long beyond our summer days together!

Extended care is back! Morning care runs 7–9 a.m. and afternoon care runs 4–6 p.m. There is no daily rate and you must register for each individually. Please Note: A \$10 late fee will be charged every 15 minutes after 6 p.m.

### PROGRAM AIDE

All sessions available (one week)

Grades 7-8, \$80  
You still get to participate in all the camp fun, but now it's your turn to step up as a leader and have your voice heard! You'll learn leadership fundamentals and receive mentorship from CITs and staff as you begin your transition from camper to camp leader. Visit page 14 to learn more!

### BACK TO BASICS - GIRL SCOUT TRADITIONS

June 19-23

Grades K-6, \$250  
Start off the summer by getting back to Girl Scout basics! Learn fun camping and Girl Scout traditions that might not be as common today. Get ready to have fun learning a great tradition that might be new to you.

### EXPLORE SCIENCE IN NATURE

June 26-30

Grades K-6, \$250  
Experiments, lab coats, and goggles! Let's explore science in nature! Each day we will learn through a new lens, nature, animals, and space.

### SUPERHEROES AT CAMP

July 3-7 (Closed July 4)

Grades K-6, \$200  
Find your heroes at camp! We will explore influential changemakers and how they've impacted our journey today.

### LET'S GO GREEN

July 10-14

Grades K-6, \$250  
Learn fun ways to be eco-friendly and how to positively impact your community's natural environment. Study the trees and plants and how we live together.

### SPLASH OF COLOR

July 17-21

Grades K-6, \$250  
Join us on a colorful journey through the world of art. Sing, draw, paint, and create to unleash the hidden artist in you!

### AROUND THE WORLD IN FIVE DAYS

July 24-28

Grades K-6, \$250  
Travel around the world in only five days! Explore other countries and cultures while making new friends. Pack up and get ready to go on an adventure.

### HEROS, LEGENDS, AND YOU!

July 31-Aug. 4

Grades K-6, \$250  
Ever heard of the Loch Ness Monster? Bigfoot? Lost city of Atlantis? Come join us as we delve into the world of legends and myths! Get ready to enter a world of dragons and magic and create your own hero's journey.

### SAIL THE SEVEN SEAS

Aug. 7-11

Grades K-6, \$250  
Let's talk about the deep blue! Did you know we have only discovered less than 10% of our oceans?! From sea monsters to sunken ships, jellyfish to sharks, we will cover it all and maybe even uncover some buried treasure. Grab your pirate hat and compass and let's go sail the ocean blue.

### THE MYSTERY AT LA CASITA

Aug. 14-18

Grades K-6, \$250  
\*GASP\* Something is amiss at La Casita! We need your help to make things right at camp. Channel your inner Nancy Drew, put your sleuthing skills to the test, and help us solve the mystery at La Casita.





# STEAM CAMP

The INGLEWOOD INNOVATION CENTER is a unique space in the heart of Inglewood. The center is outfitted with special technology and tools to cultivate the creativity, innovation, and confidence of the girls who visit. The center is spacious and adaptable to different experiences, including day camps, troop meetings, special events, and girl-led projects. Even when empty, the space is filled with endless possibilities.

## CAMP MAKE IT, Inglewood Innovation Center June 12-16

Grades K-3, \$260  
Discover how engineers use the Design Thinking Process to solve problems and do three hands-on design challenges. Brainstorm ways to solve problems, design prototypes, test them to see what does and doesn't work, then improve your designs. Are you ready to help solve problems? Let's go!

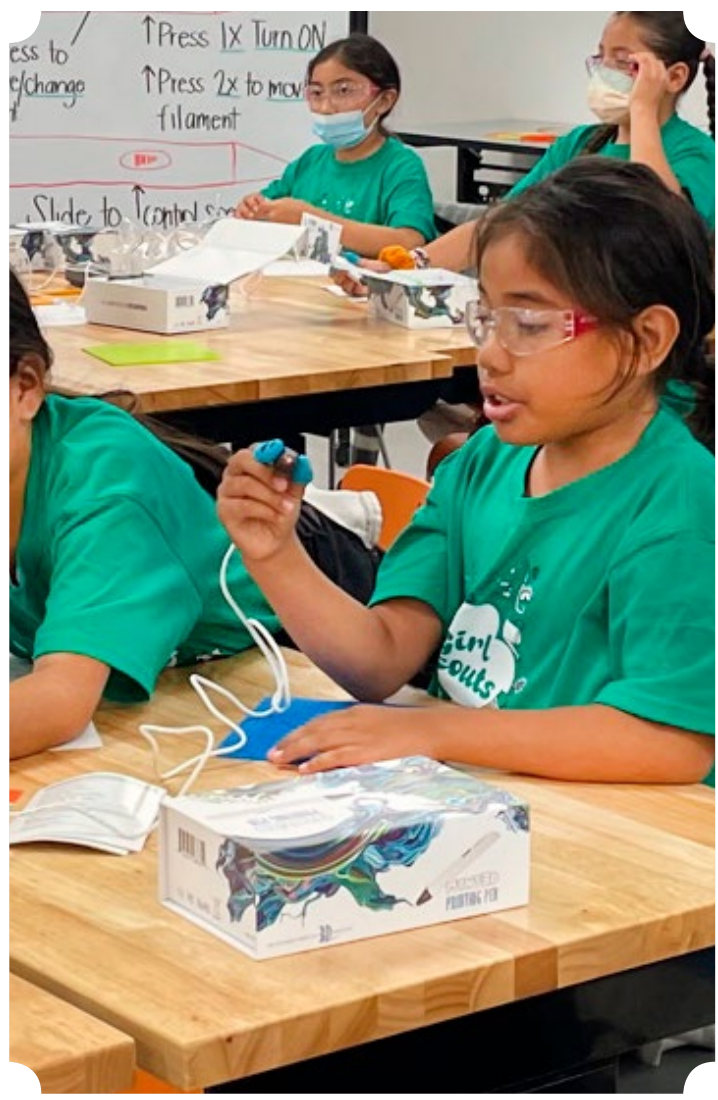
Daisies and Brownies will earn Think Like an Engineer Journey.

## CAMP INVESTIGATE, Inglewood Innovation Center June 19-23

Grades 4-6, \$260  
Uncover how to sharpen your skills of observation, communicate in code, and practice the art of detection with fingerprinting, body language and solve a mystery. Use your investigative mind to take on the many roles of a special agent and try out the skills that make a great detective through fun and engaging experiments, activities, and games.

Juniors will earn Special Agent Badge. Cadettes will earn Detective Badge.

**“Her confidence in herself improved one thousand percent. She came home every day tired but so full of stories. She made new friends and really had a great summer. Thanks for everything and see you next year!”**  
—2022 camper's adult



# Important Day Camp Information

### Day Camp General Information

GSGLA day camps have proven themselves to be places for gaining leadership skills, creating safe spaces for campers to challenge themselves, and forging memories that last a lifetime. Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles works to ensure they are a great value and we offer financial aid, in the form of “camperships,” so our camps are accessible to all.

### When is it?

All GSGLA day camps run 9 a.m.–4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Campers can attend a single session or join us for all nine weeks. Day camp starts mid-June and runs to mid-August—check the camp near you for exact dates.

Extended care is back! Morning care runs 7–9 a.m. and afternoon care runs 4–6 p.m. There is no daily rate, and you must register for each individually. Please Note: A \$10 late fee will be charged every 15 minutes after 6 p.m. See your individual camp's page for links to register!

### What's included?

All campers attending GSGLA day camp will receive daily snacks, a camp patch, and vouchers for our GSGLA stores for the badges they earned during each of their camp sessions.

Campers will bring their own lunch to camp.

### Health and Safety

All our staff are CPR and First Aid certified and Marine Landing staff are all Red Cross Lifeguard Certified and participate in regular in-service training.

GSGLA also collects vital and comprehensive health records for our campers to ensure our staff can provide the best care possible when needed. We partner with CampDoc.com to collect health information. Here, parents and caregivers can provide information on medications campers need to take at camp, a list of trusted contacts who are authorized to pick up their camper, and more.

All our GSGLA camps have a Health and Inclusion Director on-staff to provide campers additional assistance and ensure an equitable experience for all campers. If you think your camper may need special accommodation at camp, please contact your Camp Director or update your camper profile on CampDoc appropriately. At this time, we cannot provide 1:1 support to campers.

### Weather

Day camps remain open rain or shine, but activities at camp may have to be altered or canceled because of rainfall. Our primary concern is camper safety, and every effort will be made to reschedule activities later in the week. We do our best to combat the intense summer heat with frequent water breaks and sheltering in the shade. We encourage all campers to do their part and bring sun protection to wear throughout the camp day.

### What should my camper expect?

Our day camps provide a diverse range of program experiences, but Girl Scout Values are at the heart of what we do. Check out examples of what your camper can expect at day camp:

- Flag ceremony
- Safety orientations
- Camp-specific activity (rock wall, archery, gaga, kayaking, and more!)
- Camp songs and skits
- Group games
- Badge work
- Snack
- STEAM, crafts, leadership activities, and more!

# Troop Camping Opportunities



With many unique camp sites, Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles offers rental opportunities to meet every need. Camp Osito Rancho, located in Big Bear at an elevation of 7,000 feet and adjacent to a national forest, offers rustic charm with various types of overnight facilities on over 100 acres and will appeal to all types of campers. Rent a cabin or tent—or pitch your own!

Create your own adventure for your troop or your service unit. GSGLA properties offer a variety of experiences for all experience levels.

Book a high adventure at Osito or a first indoor overnight at Johnstone. Some GSGLA properties can accommodate up to 200 participants.

Campsite reservation and use may be reserved by GSGLA members as well as members from other councils.

We have a multitude of locations to choose from, see chart on p. 29.

**Book now on our website ([girlscoutsla.org](http://girlscoutsla.org)).**

NAME	CITY	AVAILABILITY		RECOMMENDED USE			
		7 day/week	Fri/Sat/Sun	First Indoor Overnight	First Outdoor Overnight	Indoor Overnight	Outdoor Overnight
Santa Clarita	Santa Clarita		X	X			
Camp Osito Rancho	Big Bear Lake	X				X	X
Johnstone	San Dimas	X		X	X	X	X
Upland	Upland			X	X		
Montrose	Montrose	X		X	X	X	X
Chino	Chino	X		X	X	X	X
Covina	Covina	X		X	X	X	X
San Gabriel	San Gabriel	X		X	X	X	X
Whittier	Whittier	X		X		X	
Canoga Park	Canoga Park		X	X			

# Camp Registration

REGISTRATION FOR ALL  
SUMMER CAMPS OPENS

WEDNESDAY,  
FEB. 8, 2023 AT 7 A.M.

[girlscoutsla.org/summercamp](https://www.girlscoutsla.org/summercamp)

## When to Register

Registration for all summer camps opens **February 8, 7:00 am**. Be sure to secure your spot early, as registrations are processed on a first-come, first-served basis. We encourage current Girl Scouts to register online to expedite the registration process before spots sell out! Campers must be registered members for the 2022-2023 membership year to register for GSGLA camps. If you don't have an active membership, contact customer care to assist you with purchasing membership.

## How to Register

### Step 1: Use the interactive Summer Camp Guide

- Visit our website to access the Summer Camp Guide and your MyGS account: [www.girlscoutsla.org](https://www.girlscoutsla.org)
- **Open the Summer Camp Guide first:** From the GSGLA home page, hover over the Members dropdown and click on Camp and Outdoors. Scroll down to the Summer Camp Guide. In the Summer Camp Guide, each camp is linked to its registration page.
- **Login to your MyGS account** on the GSGLA home page: click on MyGS at the top of the page.

### Step 2: Register for a camp

#### Individuals/Family Registration

- In the Summer Camp Guide, find the camp you are interested in registering for and hover over the session listing to see the link.
- Click on the link to go directly to that camp registration page.
- Once you find your camp, choose "Event Details" to review details about event. Grade level is the grade camper will be entering in the fall.
- Please read everything in the Event Details section (left-hand column) before you begin the registration process.
- Use the "+" to select the number of participants and/or adults that you are registering for this camp in the right-side panel.
- Scroll down and select the green "Log In" or "Add Events" button. You will be prompted to sign in or create an account if you don't currently have a myGS account.
- On the next page, under Assign Attendees, select "My Household"
  - Choose your first attendee
  - Choose payment option for the attendee.
  - Click "Next Participant" and repeat the process until all attendees are added
  - Once all attendees have been added, choose "Submit Member Details".
- Confirm the Total \$ amount is correct in the right panel.
- Registering for additional camps? To register for another camp in this transaction, go back to the summer camp guide and click on the next camp session.
- **Need extended care?** Go to the Summer Camp Guide and on each camp's main page, look for the extended care box. Scroll over the box to see the "Morning Care" or "Afternoon Care" hyperlinks which will take you to the registration site for extended care.
- Click "Review Cart" and submit payment.
- You will see a payment confirmation showing the order number and the email address where the receipt will be sent. You may also print receipt.

#### Troop Registration

If you are paying for camp using troop funds, then please follow these instructions:

In order to secure a spot for each camper in the camp, the leader can provide deposits or full payments.

- Step 1: Follow the instructions above.

- Step 2: In the Summer Camp Guide, find the camp you are interested in registering to and hover over the session listing to see the link.
- Click on the link to go directly to that camp registration page
- Once you find your camp, choose "Event Details" to review details about camp. Grade level is the grade camper will be going into in the Fall
- Please read everything in the Event Details section (left-hand column) before you begin the registration process.
- Use the "+" to select the number of participants and/or adults that you are registering for this event in the right-side panel. Scroll down and select the green "Log In" or "Add Events" button. You will be prompted to sign in or create an account if you don't currently have a myGS account.
- On the next page, under Assign Attendees, select "My Troop"
- Choose your first attendee
- Choose payment option for the attendee.
- Click "Next Participant" and repeat the process until all attendees are added
- Once all attendees have been added, choose "Submit Member Details".
- Confirm the total \$ amount is correct in the right panel.
- Please Note: If paying a deposit only for the Girl Scouts, the leader will not be able to pay the remaining camp balance payment through myGS. The leader will need to contact customer care for assistance in making balance due payments.

### Step 3: Now that you're registered

- On your confirmation page, you can choose "Manage My Account" to take you to your myGS account.
- Click on "My Events" tab in the left panel to see a list of all your events.
- Click on the event to see more details about the event including:
  - List of attendees
  - Location of event
  - Cancellation policies

#### Searching for a camp in your myGS account?

- Enter a zip code (required) where you would like to search
  - El Ranchito - 90808
  - Inglewood - 90302
  - La Casita - 91711
  - Lakota - 93225
  - Marine Landing - 90803
  - Mariposa - 91001
- Enter a search radius (required)
- You can search on any zip code up to a 90-mile radius.
- Uncheck the box that says "include virtual events"
- Click "Search"

**Need Assistance? Contact [customercare@girlscoutsla.org](mailto:customercare@girlscoutsla.org) or (213) 213-0123**

#### Camp/Program Credit Cards

- Choose a camp for your daughter from the camp guide.
- Pay the deposit for your selected camp using your personal credit/debit card in order to reserve your daughter's spot in camp.
- Complete the paper Camp Registration Form and provide your program credit number (includes a 24 digit number and a 2 digit number).

#### Paper Forms

- Day Camp Paper Form
- Camp Lakota Overnight Camp Paper Form
- Specialty Camp Paper Form
- If your program credits earned are enough to cover the full camp registration, you may request a refund for the deposit amount submitted to hold the spot. Please write a note on your paper form requesting this.
- Email your paper form to [registration@girlscoutsla.org](mailto:registration@girlscoutsla.org).

#### Camp Balances

Camp fee balances are due four weeks prior to the start of every camp session. Late payments or payments not received will result in a loss of placement in the camp and loss of the deposit. **It is the responsibility of the camper's parent to pay camp fee balances by this deadline.**

To see if you have any balance owed, log into your myGS account and click on "My Events" on the left panel to see the events for which you are registered. Click into each event and you will see any that have balance owed.

## General Camp FAQs

### Do I have to be a Girl Scout to attend camp?

If a camper is not currently a Girl Scout, a one-time \$25 annual membership fee will be applied in addition to your total camp fees. As members, Girl Scouts can participate in an array of council-sponsored programs located across Greater Los Angeles during the current program year, as well as joining a troop.

### Is financial aid available?

Yes, for campers whose family financial circumstances might otherwise prevent them from attending camp. Interested applicants must submit the Campership Application via online. For more details, see p. 32.

### Will my camper need a physical examination to attend camp?

For overnight camp, yes. Each camper is required to have a physical examination within 12 months of the starting day of their scheduled camp session. A Health History Form is required for all campers and must be completed no more than two months prior to the camper's session. Please reach out to [camphealthforms@girlscoutsla.org](mailto:camphealthforms@girlscoutsla.org) for information on no-cost physicals.

### What if my child needs medical or special accommodations while at camp?

Overnight camp has a health supervisor on site, and all camps always have first aid-certified adults on site who administer routine health care and any medications. An emergency contact plan is in place should any medical emergencies occur. Parents are notified as soon as possible in the event of any special medical emergency. If your camper has any special needs (physical, behavioral, etc.), every effort will be made to accommodate her through each camp's designated Health and Inclusion Director. Please include any past or potential concerns on the Health History Form. The camp director will contact you prior to your daughter's session. Please note, our staff cannot accommodate 1:1 support for campers.

If your camper is dropped from the camp due to balance not being paid by the deadline and if you still wish for the camper to attend the camp, you will need to pay a new deposit fee along with the remainder of the camp balance. Payment must be made in full, and space must be available at the camp—no exceptions.

#### Refund Policy

- Deposits paid are non-refundable and non-transferable.
- Please check school calendars prior to registering your camper to avoid loss of deposit.
- Cancellations two weeks prior to the start of camp: full refund minus deposit
- Cancellations less than two weeks prior to the start of camp: no refund
- No refunds and no prorated refunds will be made for campers who arrive late, leave early, attend only part of the camp, or choose not to attend the camp.
- If a camper can no longer attend due to illness or injury, a physician's letter must accompany the refund request prior to start of camp. Please email to [registration@girlscoutsla.org](mailto:registration@girlscoutsla.org).
- If a camper is required to attend summer school, please contact [registration@girlscoutsla.org](mailto:registration@girlscoutsla.org).

### Can special foods be provided?

Most special dietary needs can be met if camp directors are notified in advance. At resident camp, meal options due to medical, religious, or other reasons are available. Please indicate these requirements on your camper's Health History Form. Vegetarian alternatives are offered at every meal.

### Can my camper be in the same unit as her friend?

Girl Scout camp is a wonderful way to meet new people. A camper may request one buddy after registering for the same program through CampDoc. Both campers must register for the same program and week at camp. Make sure you and your child's buddy and her parents are planning this together. Bunk buddy placement is not guaranteed.

### Who are the camp staff?

Camp staff (paid and volunteer) are enthusiastic, fun, caring, energetic, well-trained, and experienced individuals who are hired based on their ability to work with children in a learning and nurturing environment. All staff are required to complete a background check, health screening, and 40 hours of training on topics including youth supervision, child development, program planning, conflict resolution, first aid, CPR, and additional certification for specialized program delivery. The resident camp ratio of staff to campers in fourth grade and above is 1:8; and, for second and third grade, it's 1:6 with a ratio of 1:6 for high-adventure programs. The day camp ratio is 1:10 and for aquatic activities, it is 1:5.

### What camp health and safety standards are maintained?

All GSGLA camps meet the health and safety standards and guidelines established by Girl Scouts of the USA and the State of California. Copies of the California Health Department's inspections are kept on file at council offices.

### Where can I find information about my camp?

Visit [girlscoutsla.org/summercamp](https://www.girlscoutsla.org/summercamp).



# Campership (Financial Aid)

CAMPERSHIP APPLICATIONS  
OPEN FEBRUARY 8, 2023  
AND CLOSE APRIL 30, 2023

[gsglavolunteerapps.org/campership2023](https://gsglavolunteerapps.org/campership2023)

To apply for a financial aid “Campership,” Please complete the online eform at: [gsglavolunteerapps.org/campership2023](https://gsglavolunteerapps.org/campership2023)

Last year 236 Girl Scouts received camperships totaling more than \$100,000! Each year we encourage all Girl Scout families to apply to make a life-changing camp experience possible! Rules of acceptance and participation in the program are the same for everyone regardless of race, color, ethnicity, creed, national origin, age, and socioeconomic or special needs status, providing program and membership requirements are met.

Submitting a campership application is easy and we’re here to help! Those interested in applying will need to provide a completed 2023 application which asks for your basic camper information, the camp you are interested in applying for (day camp, overnight camp, CIT, etc.), and household information including household size and household income. While camperships are usually awarded based on financial need per the table below, we also take into consideration other circumstances that may be impacting your family.



CAMPERSHIP GUIDELINES	
<b>Household Size 2-3</b>	
< \$85,150K gross annual income	Partial 25% camper scholarship
< \$53,200K gross annual income	Partial 50% camper scholarship
< \$31,950K gross annual income	Partial 75% camper scholarship
< \$22K gross annual income	Full Scholarships
<b>Household Size 4-5</b>	
< \$102,200K gross annual income	Partial 25% camper scholarship
< \$63,850K gross annual income	Partial 50% camper scholarship
< \$38,300K gross annual income	Partial 75% camper scholarship
< \$31K gross annual income	Full Scholarships
<b>Household Size 6-7</b>	
< \$117,350K gross annual income	Partial 25% camper scholarship
< \$73,300K gross annual income	Partial 50% camper scholarship
< \$44K gross annual income	Partial 75% camper scholarship
< \$40K gross annual income	Full Scholarships

# Campership (Financial Aid) FAQs

## Is a Campership different than financial aid?

No. Camperships and financial aid are used interchangeably. Both terms are acceptable.

## Can I apply for a Campership through my GSGLA account?

No. Campership applications are only processed manually through our e-form. <https://www.gsglavolunteerapps.org/campership2023>

We’re here to help! If you need assistance completing the e-form application, please contact customer care by phone at 213-213-0123 or via email at [customer care@girlscoutsla.org](mailto:customer care@girlscoutsla.org).

## Can I hold a camp spot for my Girl Scout while I apply for Campership?

No, we are unable to hold camp spots. Each year we hold plenty of spots at each camp to account for camperships. While it may seem tempting, please do not place a deposit for your camper. Your application must be approved before your camper will be given a camp spot. Camp spots designated for Camperships are processed manually and deposits are non-refundable.

## My Girl Scout received confirmation from GSGLA that she has been accepted into the Counselor-In-Training (CIT/LIT/WIT) program, but I also need to apply for a Campership. Do I submit the same Campership forms?

Yes! The application to be a CIT/PA is a separate process from applying for a Campership. Please follow the CIT/PA application process. Once you receive confirmation that your Girl Scouts has been accepted into the CIT program, please submit the completed Campership 2023 Application and family contribution payment.

## When will my application be reviewed and processed?

Processing begins the same day the application is received. A confirmation email will be sent to the email address listed on the application notifying you that the application has been received.

## When will I be notified of my campership application status and placement of my Girl Scout in camp?

Please allow up to two weeks upon receipt of the completed forms. If the forms are incomplete, the application cannot be processed and will be returned. Once your forms are completed and received, we will begin processing.

## How will I be notified about the status of my application?

All information regarding your application will be sent to the email listed on the application. All communication from Girl Scouts regarding your application and status will be sent from [campership@girlscoutsla.org](mailto:campership@girlscoutsla.org).

## How many camps can my Girl Scout attend with a Campership?

Each individual Girl Scout may apply for one of the following options: one overnight camp, one specialty camp, or two day-camp sessions.

## Once I register my Girl Scout for camp, can she be transferred to another camp, if needed?

Unfortunately, while we do our best to accommodate changes in schedules, we are unable to transfer across camps once your Girl Scout is registered. Please make sure you finalize your summer plans before registering for camp, paying extra attention to when school lets out for summer break.

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