



Ready for a summer of fun with friends? Be a Camp Counselor!

Girls entering grades 10- 12
- don't miss out on the fun at camp; become a camp counselor! Apply today to join the team of superheroes that makes summer unforgettable.



**Submit your application by
April 30, 2010.**

Volunteer Dates:

Camp Staff Training
June 4-6, 2010

Mini- Camps at Green Hill
June 10-13, 2010
June 17-20, 2010

Mini- Camps at Bayview
June 24-27, 2010
July 1-4, 2010

Resident Camps at Bayview
July 10-17, 2010
July 24-31, 2010

Camp staff are required to be at camp no later than 7pm on Thursdays before Mini- camps.

More info

Applying - Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas selects counselors who are experienced, responsible, skilled, caring, and energetic. Counselors must be registered Girl Scout members. There is a screening process for selecting counselors. Please submit your application early. Preference is given to counselors who can commit to multiple summer camp sessions.

Training -Training is mandatory for counselors. Training for Green Hill and Bayview camp staff will begin at Camp Bayview at 10am on Friday, June 4th and will finish at 2pm on Sunday, June 6th. Girls will learn skills, practices, and procedures for being a counselor at Mini-camps and Resident Camp.

Housing - At Bayview, counselors will sleep in air conditioned cabins with a group of 3-9 campers. At Green Hill, counselors will sleep in ground tents with campers in tents nearby.

Additional information - More information will be mailed in your confirmation packet upon receipt of your registration. If you have questions, you may contact Penny Crispin by email pcrispin@gsgst.org or phone (800) 929-5229.

Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas – Summer Camp Counselor Position Description

Objective: To ensure that Girl Scout campers have a fun-filled and safe camp experience.

Accountable to: Camp Director

Position Description:

Counselor positions are offered to Girl Scouts entering grades 10 - 12. As a counselor, you will take your direction from the Camp Director. Your application, signed by both you and a parent or guardian, must be received at the Council by April 30, 2010. There are a limited number of counselor positions available, so applicants may be asked for an interview as part of the selection process. Turning in your application early is recommended. You will be contacted in response to your submission no later than May 12, 2010.

Responsibilities:

1. Ensure the safety of the participants at all times.
2. Be punctual to each camp session and present for each camp's entirety.
3. Complete the necessary training as conducted by the Director.
4. Lead filler activities such as name-tag making, games, stories, skits, and songs.
5. Escort girls to their activities and be responsible for your group at all times.
6. Serve as an extra pair of hands at each activity and whenever needed.
7. Build group spirit with songs, games, etc. Encourage girls to make friends and use teamwork.
8. Maintain order and discipline. Defer problems to Director or Assistant Director instead of trying to manage behavioral problems yourself.
9. Be a great sport and role model for younger girls. Have a positive attitude.
10. Be an example of the Girl Scout Promise and Law.
11. Have fun!

Compensation:

- Community Service Hours

Training:

- Camp Staff Training takes place at June 4-6 at Camp Bayview.
- Camp Staff Training is mandatory for counselors.

Application Deadline:

- April 30, 2010

Camp Counselor Application

Personal Information

Date of Application: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

E-mail: _____

Check here if you prefer to receive your confirmation and communications by email.

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Birthdate (mm/dd/yy): _____ Grade entering in Fall: _____

Parents/Guardians Names: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Relationship: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

T-Shirt Size (Circle One): YM YL AS AM AL XL 2X 3X

Is this your first time volunteering at camp? Yes No (Dates) _____

Check which sessions you would like to volunteer:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> June 10-13 at Camp Green Hill | <input type="checkbox"/> July 1-4 at Camp Bayview |
| <input type="checkbox"/> June 17-20 at Camp Green Hill | <input type="checkbox"/> July 10-17 at Camp Bayview |
| <input type="checkbox"/> June 24-27 at Camp Bayview | <input type="checkbox"/> July 24-31 at Camp Bayview |

Is there anything we need to know about your choice of session(s):

Please verify that you can attend the mandatory training.

- Yes, I will attend training on June 4-6 at Camp Bayview.

Education

School Attending: _____

Last year completed in school: _____ Favorite Classes: _____

Additional School Activities: _____

Volunteer/Work Experience

1. Organization: _____ Position: _____ Year: _____ Supervisor: _____

Responsibilities: _____

2. Organization: _____ Position: _____ Year: _____ Supervisor: _____

Responsibilities: _____

3. Organization: _____ Position: _____ Year: _____ Supervisor: _____

Responsibilities: _____

Camp Skills/Hobbies

Please check the box next to any skills or hobbies you might have that could help you as a Counselor.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Work w / children | <input type="checkbox"/> Large group games | <input type="checkbox"/> Small group games |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking | <input type="checkbox"/> Drama / Skits | <input type="checkbox"/> Arts and crafts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Story Telling | <input type="checkbox"/> Musical instruments | <input type="checkbox"/> Archery |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trail safety | <input type="checkbox"/> Forest Ecology | <input type="checkbox"/> Compass and Map |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lifeguard Certification | <input type="checkbox"/> Canoeing and/or Sailing | <input type="checkbox"/> Singing and Dancing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> First Aid Certification | <input type="checkbox"/> Wildlife | <input type="checkbox"/> Working w / Adults |

Questions

These questions will provide us with additional information about your interest and skills. Please answer each question below in the space provided or attach an additional sheet of paper if necessary.

1. Why are you interested in becoming a counselor? What skills would you like to obtain as a counselor?

2. What experiences do you have working with children? Working with adults? Working with peers?

3. How do you plan to be a POSITIVE ROLE MODEL for our summer camp participants?

4. Explain how you would deal with a camper with disruptive behavior.

5. List five (5) words that describe your personality.

6. Do you have any physical limitations that we should be aware of?

7. What concerns do you have about being a camp counselor?

8. Do you have reliable transportation to and from camp?

Rules

I understand that a Camp Code of Conduct is in place to protect others and me and to help make sure camp is safe, fun and successful. A violation of any of these rules will be reviewed and I may be dismissed as a Counselor.

1. I will not use obscenities, profanity or vulgar language.
2. I will not engage in harassment or intimidation.
3. I will not make comments that are derogatory with regard to individual person’s race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, disability, or any other protected status.
4. I will not engage in sexually explicit, suggestive, humiliating, or demeaning comments.
5. I will dress appropriately, using pants or shorts with a 6” inseam, Girl Scout T-shirts or camp appropriate T-Shirts (no Tank Tops or midriffs – no questionable content). I will not have visible piercings or tattoos.
6. I will retire the girls and myself by 10:30 and remain with the girls during the night. If I must leave the girls, I will make sure the counselor in the next cabin is alerted to my absence while I attend to the girl who must see the Camp First Aider or Camp Director.
7. I will surrender my cell phone, laptop, ipod, and other electronics to the Camp Director. I understand that these items will remain in one designated building where I may retrieve them for use only during my break.
8. I understand that as a counselor, I am representing the Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas Council and will conduct myself according to the Girl Scout Promise and the Girl Scout Law.

I have read and understood the above rules and guidelines and agree to their terms.

Applicant’s Signature	Please Print Name	Date
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Parent’s or Guardian’s Signature	Please Print Name	Date
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