

girl scouts of greater south texas

Not a Girl Scout?

Not a Problem!
Sign up today and join us at Camp!

Girl Scout camp is for every girl! No experience required. At our camps, girls are empowered to set outside their comfort zone, take risks and grow as leaders. All programs and activities are tailored to the interests of girls finishing 2nd through 12th grade. From building lifelong friendships to swimming, s'mores, and archery, there is no shortage of things to do at camp.

CAMP BAYVIEW

Camp Bayview: 103 S. San Roman Blvd., Bayview, TX, 78566

Camp Bayview is located on 18 lush tropical acres on the Los Cuates Resaca in Cameron County. This camp offers a swimming pool, outdoor amphitheater, recreational lodge, cooking pavilions, rustic cabins and bungalows are available. Throughout the year, various program events are offered, as well as resident camp during the summer. Camp Bayview challenges girls to learn something new and make memories that last a lifetime.

Girl Scouts CAMP BAYVIEW

Bayview, TX

CAMP GREEN HILL

Camp Green Hill- 23152 Park Road 25, Mathis TX, 78368

Camp Green Hill has been helping girls learn and grow since 1952. Located in Mathis, Texas on beautiful Lake Corpus Christi, Camp Green Hill offers general camp programs, canoeing, hiking, crafting, and much more! If you are looking for a day adventure, Camp Green Hill has got you covered.



Questions?

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Contact Melanie "Goose" Holland at 800-477-2688 or mholland@gsgst.org

RESERVATIONS?

Want to reserve Camp Bayview or Camp Green Hill? For more information, please send an email to info@gsgst.org.

PEN GOUSE

Summer Camp sessions at Camp Bayview are available to all girls regardless of whether they are currently a Girl Scout. We offer open house before the summer for campers and their families to learn about camp, meet the camp director and staff, and tour the grounds. Each camp session offers something different for girls.

Camp Bayview

Date: Sunday, March 24, 2019

Who: Girl Scouts who have completed 2nd – 12th grade

Time: 10 am - 1 pm

Where: Camp Bayview

103 S. San Roman Blvd., Bayview, TX, 78566



Contact:

Corpus Christi Service Center

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LIVE FACEBOOK
THURSDAY,
FEBRUARY 28, 2019



Camp Bayview Sessions

BV1- June 23-28

CAMP G.I.R.L.

Grades: 2nd – 8th \$220.0

It's time to camp! Girl Scout camp G.I.R.L. (Go-getter, Innovator, Risk-taker, Leader)TM. Girls will be challenged to work together, overcome obstacles, and use resources wisely in order to survive this week.

BV3- July 28-Aug. 2

All Things Disney

Grades: 2nd – 8th \$220.0

Be our guest as we experience all things Disney at camp. Explore camp through fun and challenging activities of our favorite Disney characters. Have a special Disney themed meal featuring food from the movies, shoot a bow and arrow like Princess Merida and spend a day dressed up as your favorite Disney character!

BV2- July 7-12

Passport Around the World

Grades: 2nd – 8th \$220.0

Come along for this fun week at camp where we will explore the Girl Scout Centres located all over the world and all of the cultures surrounding them. Receive a passport and get it stamped as you learn about each exciting location.

CSA Conference- July 19-21

Grades: 6th- 12th \$80.00

Calling all Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors! Come to Camp Bayview for a weekend with everything you LOVE about Girl Scouts, plus robots! Girls will learn what robots do, how they are made, and some programming basics while designing their own robot.

Registration Dates: March 18, 2019-May 17, 2019

Counselor In Training

Want to learn what it takes to be a leader at camp? Come to Camp Bayview and become a Counselor-In-Training (CIT). You'll learn more about yourself and strengthen your leadership skills in areas including dynamics, decision making and conflict resolution. Girls will take these skills and apply them in a camp setting, with a strong emphasis on "learn-by-doing" philosophy, under the supervision of our experience camp staff.

\$185/girl *Limited spots per Camp Session Must have completed 8th grade.

When registering for Camp Sessions, please write out camp session code + CIT (Ex: BV1CIT)

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Question: Who many attend?

A: All girls who have completed grades 2-8 are eligible to register for camp sessions. A girl who is not a registered member may fill out a membership registration form with the \$25 payment along with camp registration.

Question: Where will campers sleep?

A: Campers staying overnight at Camp Green Hill will bring a tent to share with other campers. Campers at all overnight sessions at Camp Bayview will be housed in air conditioned cabins and will sleep in bunk beds.

Question: Can the camper stay with a "Buddy"?

A: Girls can room with a buddy at resident camp if they are registered for the same program and session as their friend. To make sure your girl scout and her buddy are placed together, be sure to list them as "Camper Buddies" on each other's registration forms. "Camper Buddies" can be placed together according to program session and Girl Scout level. Remember that placement with a "Buddy" isn't guaranteed, so register both as early as possible.

Question: Will the girls earn badges at camp?

A: Each session will get a slip that will let the parents know which steps of which badges per level were completed. Any badges that are completed in full at camp will be provided. If there is a step that must be completed send GSGST proof of completion and the badge will be mailed to you.

Question: Can I contact my Girl Scout while at camp?

A: While at camp, girls DO NOT have access to the phone to call home and parents WILL NOT be able to call their Girl Scout Camper. Girls can write letters and also receive letters given to staff at check-in. Send your Girl Scout Camper with addresses, stamped envelopes, stationary, and a pen so she is ready to write home.

Question: Visitors?

A: Because camp is a growing experience for your Girl Scout, visiting campers during camp sessions is NOT permitted and campers cannot be contacted by phone. Please do NOT promise your camper she will be able to call home. You are encouraged to write letters.

Question: Special Dietary Needs?

A: The camp can facilitate basic special diets including: lactose-intolerance, vegetarian, gluten-free and simple allergies. Children with serve food allergies MUST be fully able to manage their allergies at camp and know NOT to eat any food that she is allergic to. When you register your Girl Scout for camp, you will be asked about your camper's dietary needs and the severity of any food allergies to ensure that we can plan meals accordingly. Campers are asked to help supplement their diet bringing food from home or GSGST will provide dietary food for an additional \$20.00. Food will be check-in with the kitchen staff and/or health director upon arrival at camp. If you child has server dietary restrictions and food allergies, please consult the Camp Director before enrolling your Girl Scout at camp. Being a PICKY eater is NOT a dietary need and we will NOT accept outside food for this issue.

Ouestion: Financial Assistance?

A: Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas can cover up to ½ of the Camp Fee for campership per girl one time for only one Camp Session or Girl Scouts can earn Resident Camp by selling 2,000+ packages of cookies.

Question: Social Media Updates

A: We're crazy about camp and we love to show it! WE regularly post about camp and you will love to read about it. Follow us! Go to our webpage www.gsgst.org, there you will find the links to our social media accounts. You will find regular postings of pictures, especially on your Facebook page!

Question: Home Sickness

A: Please talk to your Girl Scout camper about bed wetting so she feels comfortable telling staff if it happens. Remember bed wetting happens at camp with girls who don't typically wet the bed- camp is a new environment which may trigger it for some girls due to home sickness.

Role Models Needed:

If you're a returning Camp Staff or looking to start as a new Volunteer Camp Staff:

Don't miss out on the fun at camp!

Volunteer to join the team of camp staff who will lead out campers in making lifelong memories, and create your own, too!

Apply now for one of our volunteer opportunities, and make a difference to a Girl Scout!



<u>Applying-</u> Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas selects counselors who are experienced, responsible, skilled, caring and energetic. Counselors must be registered Girl Scout member. Please submit your application early. Preference may be given to counselors who can commit to multiple summer camp sessions.

<u>Training-</u> Training is <u>MANDATORY</u> for first-time staff and returning staff in certain positions. Training for camp staff will take place at **Camp Bayview June 8-9.** Volunteers will learn skills, practices, and procedures for being camp staff at Mini-camps and Resident Camps.

<u>Housing-</u> At Bayview, counselors will sleep in air conditioned cabins with a group of 3-9 campers. At Green Hill, counselors will sleep in tents near campers' tents.

APPLY TODAY!

Contact Melanie "Goose" Holland at mholland@gsgst.org to get your application!

Summer Camp Positions

Position	Job Responsibilities
Assistant Camp Director	Assist in training and supervising staff and developing programming. Work with volunteer staff and campers to create a fun, safe, engaging camp experience.
Health Supervisor	Perform first aid and nursing duties. Supervise health and safety. Maintain health center.
Lifeguards	Supervise campers at waterfront and pool activities. Enforce pool and waterfront safety rules.
Arts and Crafts Director	Develop and conduct safe, creative and effective programs. Maintain course, supplies and craft hut, and work with a team of staff to deliver program.
Activity Leaders	Develop and conduct safe, creative and effective programs. Work with a team of staff to deliver program.
Head Kitchen	Supervise kitchen personnel and prepare food. Maintain kitchen supplies and cleanliness.
Kitchen Personnel	Assist in food preparation and clean-up.

Fees & Policies

Fees are due when submitting your registration. Registrations are accepted by mail and delivery to any of the three Girl Scout Service Centers (Harlingen, Corpus Christi, & McAllen). If your daughter is not currently a Girl Scout, she may become a Girl Scout member for only \$25. This payment is due with the registration form and is non-refundable.

If you are submitting your registration by mail, you must pay with check or money order. Do not mail cash. Make checks payable to Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas. Mail payments to: <u>2410 Bevecrest</u>, <u>Corpus Christi</u>, <u>TX 78415</u>.

\$25 of the registration fee is non-refundable. Refunds of the remaining balance will be made ONLY if a girl cancels within 2 weeks of the camp session, with a written note from a doctor, or due to a death in the family. All requests for refunds must be made in writing. No other refunds will be granted. There will be no refunds for leaving camp early due to illness, homesickness, misbehavior, lice or parental request. Refund requests must be made in writing no more than 14 days after the session.

<u>Lice Check:</u> In the interest of not turning anyone away from camp because of a health problem, it is our policy to have campers checked for head lice before coming to camp. At camp we have no choice but to send home any individual infected with head lice. This is very disappointing and painful for the camper. Therefore, we request that parents perform a lice check on kids and adults before leaving for camp.

Helpful Hints for Head Lice Check: With sufficient lighting (flashlight), look at the scalp for small, white colored nits (lice eggs). If you see any trace, let the parents know so they can get treatment immediately and/or check with their child's pediatrician. We hope you will find that all of your campers are ready to come to camp! By doing this pre-camp inspection, it saves children from a potential embarrassing situation. Each parent is required to sign the lice check release, verifying that a lice check has been performed prior to coming to camp. Please turn in the form below and present it at or before check in at camp. A great big THANK YOU for helping us insure that our camp is as safe as possible for all campers.

Trading Post (Optional fees)

You can deposit money in your daughter's account for use at the Trading Post (camp store) time of registration, or you may pay at check-in. Designate on the registration form how much you are depositing. You may pick up the remaining balance of your daughter's Trading Post at Check-out, or donate the balance to the Campership Fund.



In a typical day, girls can expect the following schedule:

7:30 am - Rise & Shine!

8:00 am- Flag Ceremony & Breakfast

8:45 am – Kapers (Daily Camp clean-up)

9:30 am -Program Activities

Noon- lunch

1-2 pm- Rest

2-5 pm – Program Activity

5:00 pm - Games

5:45 pm- Flag Ceremony & Dinner

7:00 pm –Campfire Songs

9:00 pm - Get Ready for bed

CAMP TRADITIONS

All-Camp Activities- Each week, all campers and staff come together for fun and games as a whole camp.

Campfire- The start and end of camp always honored around the campfire where girls and staff sing songs, act-out-skits, and cherish the special times they've had a camp.

SWAPS & Friendship Bracelets- Bring SWAPS or make them at camp or make a special friendship bracelet.



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