

Your Summer

YOUR Story



2026 Summer Camp Guide



Welcome to Camp!

Dear Campers and Families,



Summer camp season is almost here! This year's theme is "Your Summer, Your Story." You have four camp properties—Balboa Campus, Escondido Program Center, Whispering Oaks, and Winacka—to choose from, which means every camper has an opportunity to shape their memorable experience with girls from across San Diego and Imperial counties. Whether it's tackling the ropes course, hiking scenic trails, or roasting s'mores, each girl can create her own story.

Our camps provide a supportive space where girls can be themselves, explore new skills, build friendships, and connect with caring people. Outdoor adventures help give girls the tools to boost their independence, confidence, and overall well-being while providing a healthy break from technology and social pressures.

Camp is more than a destination—it's an invitation to discover.

One of my favorite memories as a Girl Scout was going to Camp Whispering Pines in Michigan: I remember being nervous about not knowing anyone. But within a few hours of arriving, my tent mates and I bonded about how we all loved Olivia Newton-John. As we hiked together, learned to canoe (so fun!), and chatted every night before falling asleep, one of my tent mates became a dear friend, and we remained pen pals for years.

As you explore the 2026 Girl Scout Summer Camp Guide, you will help craft a special story filled with adventure, trying new things, connecting with nature, making friends, and embracing your authentic self.

We can't wait to welcome you this summer.

Let the unforgettable stories begin!

Carol M Dedrich
Chief Executive Officer



Carol at camp.



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Why GSSD Summer Camp?

Quotes from Parents

"My girls love it!"

"Positive environment, safe, and so much fun"

"I wish I remembered all the staff that helped make this an awesome week for my kiddo. Every single staff member my kid talked to was engaging and kind. Thank you all so much!"



Quotes from 2025 Campers

When asked to describe one memory you made at camp, campers said:

"One memory is sleeping under the stars, the beautiful night sky. This was my first time sleeping outside."

"I made a friend. It's really meaningful because I was worried that I wouldn't make friends."

About Girl Scouts San Diego

Girl Scouts San Diego builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place. Beyond traditional leadership development, our relevant programs and experiences foster a sense of well-being in girls, so they are well-rounded individuals poised for success in life.

Statement of Belonging

We are committed to providing Girl Scouts with the space, skills, and practice to embrace and participate in thoughtful dialogue to understand individuals, their life experiences, and identities. We create safe and inclusive spaces for our members to experience a sense of belonging and to have the opportunity to discover, connect, and take action in our complex world—these are key to the Girl Scout Leadership Experience.

All Girl Scouts San Diego programming, including camp, is open to those who identify as girls and individuals who do not identify with the gender binary. Although our members are referred to as Girl Scouts or girls, we recognize and honor that they may not identify as exclusively female or use she/her pronouns.

We respect the rights, dignity, and individuality of every camper and create space for each one to feel welcome, valued, and seen.

Land Acknowledgment

We honor and acknowledge that Girl Scouts San Diego's camp properties are located on the traditional lands of the Kumeyaay people, who, for thousands of years, have lived in harmony with these lands and cared for the mountains, valleys, and waterways that continue to sustain life today. We recognize the enduring presence and resilience of the Kumeyaay Nation and their unbreakable connection to this region. We give gratitude for the opportunity to gather, learn, and grow as Girl Scouts on their ancestral homeland.



2026 Summer Camp



Registration for 2026 Girl Scout Summer Camp

opens on Wednesday, **Jan. 14, 2026 at 6 p.m.** Visit [sdgirlscouts/camp](https://sdgirlscouts.org/camp) to register. After registering, you will receive additional details leading up to your chosen camp session via email.

Not a Girl Scout Yet? Not a Problem! ♥

Camp is a great first Girl Scout experience and the perfect way to jump in. Girl Scout membership is \$45; when you register for camp, you'll automatically be signed up for a Girl Scout membership, which gives you access to exciting opportunities through the end of our current membership year (Sept. 30, 2026). Financial assistance is available.

NEW This Year!



- Weekly Themes at all camps
- 3-Day Sleepaway Camp Adventures at Camp Whispering Oaks
- 5-day Day Camp opportunities at Winacka
- New leadership pathways for older Girl Scouts
- Overnight opportunity at Day Camp for older Girl Scouts
- Multi-age level bring-a-friend camp, Adventure Pals, at sleepaway camps

GSSD Camp Basics

Programs and Activities

All campers participate in traditional camp activities like team building, campfires, and outdoor adventures. Each group of campers and staff also plan some of their own activities, which gives campers an opportunity to practice leadership. Activities are differentiated by age level and include hiking, target sports, nature exploration, swimming, challenge courses, arts and crafts, and sleep outs.

Camp Buddies

Campers may register to be placed with one friend for the week, who must be registered for the same program (sleepaway camp) or within the same level of Girl Scouts or the same multi-level camp (day camp). Enter buddy information during camp registration.

Camp Staff

All camp staff members are 18 years or older and are selected for their maturity, skills, experience, and enthusiasm. Many of our counselors were Girl Scout campers as youth, and many return year after year. Staff are trained in CPR, first aid, child development, and activity leadership, and comply with California Assembly Bill 506 by completing a background check, Live Scan fingerprinting, and mandated reporter training. As an equal opportunity employer, Girl Scouts San Diego welcomes staff of all genders and backgrounds to join our team. Male staff members are never alone with campers without a female counselor present and do not sleep in spaces with Girl Scouts.

Extended Day Camp

Extended Day Camp **is available at no extra charge** at our Balboa Campus.

Drop-Off Hours: 7:30-8:30 a.m.

Pick-Up Hours: 3-6 p.m.

Extended Camp is also available at no extra charge for Winacka Day Camp from 7:30-8:30 a.m.

Note: Extended Camp is not available at Escondido Program Center or any offsite camps. Sign up for Extended Camp during registration.

ACA Accreditation



All Girl Scouts San Diego camps are accredited by the American Camp Association (ACA). This national organization focuses on program quality and health and safety issues and requires camp managers to meet rigorous standards. GSSD is proud to meet these important criteria. Learn more at acacamps.org.



Sleepaway Transportation

Round-trip transportation is available for five-day and three-day sleepaway camps (\$45 each way; \$90 round-trip).

Camp staff supervise bus trips to ensure a fun and safe experience. Alternatively, families may drive their campers directly to camp in Julian at no cost. Sign up for bus transportation during camp registration.

For Five-Day Sleepaway Camp, the bus stops are at Mission Valley and Escondido Program Center for both pick up on Monday and drop off on Friday.

For Three-Day Sleepaway Camp, the bus stops at Mission Valley and Escondido for pick up on Monday. The bus will drop campers off on Wednesday at our Escondido Program Center and at our Balboa Campus.



Payment Options and Discounts

Camp Scholarships

As a mission-driven nonprofit organization, Girl Scouts San Diego is committed to serving the needs of all girls in our community. We believe everyone should have the opportunity to build courage, confidence, and character at camp!

Thanks to generous donors, we can provide Camperships that reduce the cost of camp so anyone can participate, regardless of ability to pay. Camperships are granted based on a sliding scale designed to fit each applicant's unique financial situation. In your registration confirmation email, you will receive a link to apply for financial assistance.

Dependent Care Flexible Spending Account (FSA)

Did you know that you can use your Dependent Care FSA to pay for GSSD's summer day camps and year-round day camps? Please note: Sleepaway camp is not eligible. Learn more by connecting with your benefits provider or reviewing your plan details.

Payment Plan

You can pay for camp via monthly installments. Select "payment plan" at registration.

Camp Registration

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Visit sdgirlscouts.org/camp to register. After registering, you will receive additional details leading up to your chosen camp session via email.

Refund and Cancellation Policy

Cancellations and requests for transfers or refunds must be submitted in writing to camp@sdgirlscouts.org.

| TIMING | CANCELLATIONS | TRANSFERS |
|--|---|---|
| More than three weeks prior to the start of your camp | Full refund (minus \$50 deposit and \$20 registration fee, if opted in) | One courtesy transfer allowed. Additional transfers are permitted, minus the \$50 deposit |
| Less than three weeks prior to the start of your camp | No refunds provided | Transfers may be made, subject to availability and minus the \$50 deposit |
| Less than five business days before the start of your camp | No refunds provided | No transfers available |

Early Bird Discount

Sign up before Feb. 1 to save!

Day Camp: Use code **EBDAY** at checkout to receive \$50 off your first camp session, per child. For registrations including multiple children, use codes **EBDAYCHILD2** and **EBDAYCHILD3** for additional children, respectively.

Sleepaway Camp: Use code **EBSLEEPAWAY** to receive \$125 off your first camp session, per child. For registrations including multiple children, use codes **EBSLEEPAWAYCHILD2** and **EBSLEEPAWAYCHILD3** for additional children, respectively.

Multiple Session Discount

Bundle and save per camper!

Day Camp:

Register for a second day camp and receive \$75 off that session.

Register for a third day camp and receive \$100 off that session.

Register for a fourth day camp and receive \$125 off that session.

Sleepaway Camp:

Register for a second sleepaway camp and receive \$100 off that session.

Notes: Discounts apply per camper. During registration on Active, discounts will be applied as a total amount. The multiple camp registration discount is only valid for sessions purchased within the same registration cart.

Questions? Contact camp@sdgirlscouts.org

Cookies = Camp!

Earn Camp Session

Girl Scouts who reach the 1,000-package level during the 2026 program can earn an eligible five-day session at either sleepaway or day camp. Eligible sessions are noted in the session descriptions.

When registering for camp, select the “payment plan” option and pay the \$50 deposit per camp. Once the 1,000-package goal is confirmed at the end of the cookie program, the deposit will be refunded. Cookie program participants can also earn Cookie Buck Program Credit rewards, which can be applied to camp fees.

Learn more at sdgirlscouts.org/cookieentrepreneur.

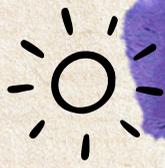
Leadership Opportunities

For Older Girl Scouts

Program Aides (PAs) and Counselors-in-Training (CITs) are campers in grades 6-12 who partner with adult staff to lead activities and support younger campers. Carefully designed with progression in mind, the PA and CIT programs let you practice personal leadership in a safe and supportive environment, giving you the foundation to lead anywhere.

Check out the 2026 older Girl Scout leadership opportunities at sdgirlscouts.org/camp.





Your Summer

YOUR Story

For detailed information about each camp session, visit sdgirlscouts.org/camp.
Select your favorite session options and bring your summer story to life!



Your Camp Team

Our camps are led by a highly-trained team of experienced directors, counselors, and specialists, all certified in CPR/ First Aid and experts at program delivery. From arts and STEM to aquatics and adventure, they create safe, engaging experiences that build confidence, leadership, and lasting friendships.

Learn more about the camp team: sdgirlscouts.org/camp



Finding the Perfect Camp Session

For camp session descriptions and detailed information, visit sdgirlscouts.org/camp.

Select your favorite session options and bring your summer story to life!!

Camp locations:

Balboa Campus

1231 Upas St., San Diego, CA 92103

Escondido Program Center

3050 Las Palmas, Escondido, CA 92025

Camp Whispering Oaks

4949 Pine Hills Rd., Julian, CA 92036

Camp Winacka

4720 Boulder Creek Rd., Julian, CA 92036

Choose the grade level that your camper will enter in fall 2026:

● Daisies (K-1)

● Brownies (2-3)

● Juniors (4-5)

● Cadettes (6-8)

● Seniors (9-10)

● Ambassadors (11-12)



Each camp description includes:

- Eligibility for cookie reward. See page 8 for more information.
- Badge(s) earned by participating in the camp. Physical badges are not provided; they are available for purchase at GSSD retail locations.
- Availability of extended camp.
- Sleepaway camp sleeping accommodations:
 - Enclosed Cabins
 - Open-Air Cabins
 - Under-the-Stars
 - Pitch Tents
- Camp sessions that include a field trip are noted as follows:
 - Travel by bus
 - Travel by foot



BALBOA CAMPUS DAY CAMP

Girl Scouts San Diego Balboa Campus (BC)
1231 Upas St. San Diego, CA 92103

Once upon a summer, adventure began right in the heart of San Diego!

At our Balboa Campus, **every week opens a new chapter in a storybook summer** filled with imagination, friendship, and fun. With themed weeks inspired by favorite books, every camper becomes the hero of their own summer adventure.



About Balboa Campus Day Camp

The property includes spacious indoor cabins with air conditioning, covered porches, open outdoor areas, and campfire rings that are perfect for end-of-day storytelling.

At Balboa Day Camp, every camper is guaranteed time for classic Girl Scout adventure fun like nature activities, art projects, and teambuilding games, plus:

Daisies – Slingshots and Treehouse Fun
Brownies – Slingshots and Low Ropes
Juniors and Up – Archery and Adventure Zone



Off-Site Day Camps

For your convenience, dual check-in and drop-off may be available for off-site day camps. Drop your camper off at Balboa Campus or the camp location. More details will be provided after registration.





DAY CAMPS AT A GLANCE

For camp session descriptions and details, visit sdgirlscouts.org/camp.

Day camp session prices range from \$310-\$650. All day camp sessions are eligible for financial assistance.

| Week One June 15-19 | Week Two June 22-26 | Week Three June 29-July 2 4-Day camp week | Week Four July 6-10 | Week Five July 13-17 | Week Six July 20-24 | Week Seven July 27-31 |
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| Balboa Campus: 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Extended Camp: 7:30-8:30 a.m. and 3-6 p.m. | | | | | | |
| Grades K-1 Daisies | | | | | | |
| Campers in Wonderland  | Clue Crew | Daisy Dazzle Days! | Sticky Scientists | Outdoor Art Makers | Mud Pies and Butterflies  | The Great Daisy Adventure |
| Grades 2-3 Brownies | | | | | | |
| Castle Crafters | Super Sleuths <i>Travel by foot</i> | Sunshine Spectacular |  Bubbling Scientists | Artsy Adventures | Mess-tival <i>Travel by foot</i> | Nature Navigators <i>Travel by bus</i> |
| Grades 4-5 Juniors | | | | | | |
| The Storyteller <i>Travel by bus</i> | Detective Dream Team <i>Travel by foot</i> | Kindness Confetti Squad | Innovators' Lab | Canvas and Campfires | Mess-tival <i>Travel by foot</i> | Hiking Quest <i>Travel by bus</i> |
|  | Older Camper Overnight Option Thursday Juniors, Cadettes, CITs | | Older Camper Overnight Option Thursday Juniors, Cadettes, CITs | | |  |
| Grades 6-8 Cadettes | | | | | | |
| The Enchanted Expedition <i>Travel by bus</i> | Older Camper Overnight Option Thursday Juniors, Cadettes, CITs | Tiburón Tank | Older Camper Overnight Option Thursday Juniors, Cadettes, CITs | | | Outdoor Survivor Challenge |
| Grades 9-12 Seniors And Ambassadors | | | | | | |
| Discovering You: G.O.A.T. <i>Travel by bus</i> | Older Camper Overnight Option Thursday Juniors, Cadettes, CITs | | Older Camper Overnight Option Thursday Juniors, Cadettes, CITs | |  | Discovering You: Guardians of the Green <i>Travel by bus</i> |
| Grades 6-12 Older Camper Leadership | | | | | | |
| Program Aide (PA) Training | Counselor-in-Training (CIT) Training | | | | | |
| PA/CIT in Action! | PA/CIT in Action! | PA/CIT in Action! | PA/CIT in Action! | PA/CIT in Action! | PA/CIT in Action! | PA/CIT in Action! |
| Off-site 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. | | | | | | |
| Noble Steed Grades 2-6 <i>Travel by bus</i> | Splash Zone Grades 4+ <i>Travel by bus</i> | | Equine Explorers Grades 2-6 <i>Travel by bus</i> | Wacky Waves Grades 4+ <i>Travel by bus</i> | Majestic Riders Grades 2-6 <i>Travel by bus</i> | Babbling Bay Grades 4+ <i>Travel by bus</i> |
| NEW! Winacka Day Camp: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Grades 2-12 Extended Camp: 7:30-8:30 a.m. | | | | | | |
| | | | Outdoor Adventurers | Outdoor Adventurers | Outdoor Adventurers | |
| Escondido Program Center Day Camp: 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Grades K-6 | | | | | | |
| | | | |  Technology Goddesses™ |  | |

BC DAY CAMP WEEKLY THEMES

For detailed information on sessions, grade levels, pricing, and related details, please visit sdgirlscouts.org/camp.

Week One: Monday, June 15-Friday, June 19

Once Upon a Summer...What a fairytale!

Once upon a summer's start, all campers came to play. Fairytale dress-ups, royal crowns, and tea parties fill five fun days!



Week Two: Monday, June 22-Friday, June 26

Buttercup's Spy School...What a top-secret summer!

Our Balboa Day Camp mascot, Buttercup, is excited to share top secret missions with you. Help to solve our camp mystery as you learn new camp skills too!

Juniors, Cadettes, and CITs, the fun continues at our sleepover on Thursday night! (Additional cost includes dinner, breakfast, and a bagged lunch.)

Week Three: Monday, June 29-Thursday, July 2

Festival of Funshine...What a sun-soaked celebration!

It's a short week (4-day camp week) packed with big fun! Campers will jump, climb, laugh, and play their way through our first-ever Festival of Funshine, complete with camp-wide games and all the bright summer energy you can handle. Everyone will cool off with water games and take part in special celebrations designed to make this week sparkle.



Week Four: Monday, July 6-Friday, July 10

A Series of Scientific Events...What a week of wild discoveries!

Curiosity is the spark this week! Campers will roll up their sleeves and dive into hands-on experiments, wacky reactions, and innovative challenges during our Series of Scientific Events. From fizzing potions to engineering feats, each day brings a new way to explore how science connects to everyday life.

Juniors, Cadettes, and CITs, the fun continues at our sleepover on Thursday night! (Additional cost includes dinner, breakfast, and a bagged lunch.)



Week Five: Monday, July 13-Friday, July 17

The Crafting Chronicles...What an imaginative summer!

Crafts, jewelry making, and all things art. The only question is: where should the fun for this week start? From color to construction, creativity takes center stage at Balboa this week. Campers will roll up their sleeves, think outside the box, and bring your ideas to life through hands-on projects big and small. Whether you're sculpting, designing, or building something brand-new, everyone will leave their mark on this unforgettable chapter of summer.

Week Six: Monday, July 20-Friday, July 24

Diary of a Messy Kid...What a gloriously messy summer!

Dear Diary:

This week at camp I can't wait to:

Get paint everywhere...

Make a mud pie...

Create my own ooey gooey art...

And just get messy!

From, an excited Girl Scout camper

Forget clean clothes and tidy shoes, this is the week to get dirty! Campers will dive into all things slimy, muddy, and wonderfully chaotic during our Diary of a Messy Kid week. Expect epic camp games, splash zones, and wild outdoor fun where getting messy is just part of the plan.



Week Seven: Monday, July 27-Friday, July 31

And They Camped Happily Ever After...What a storybook summer!

It's time to close the final chapter of Balboa Day Camp with a celebration of friendship and exploration! Create your own fairytale ending to celebrate a summer filled with discovery and fun. From scenic hikes to end-of-summer traditions, this week is all about reflection, adventure, and making memories that last forever!

ESCONDIDO DAY CAMP

Girl Scouts San Diego Escondido Program Center (EPC)
3050 Las Palmas, Escondido, CA 92025

A summer program that empowers campers to explore AI, online communication, and more through an exciting tech session!

Technology Goddesses™ at EPC

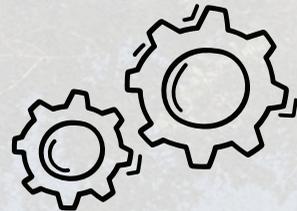
Focus: STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Math), leadership, digital citizenship, online communication, AI, cyber safety.

Activities: Tech labs, traditional camp activities (tie-dye, singing, hiking), NFC scavenger hunts, plus opportunities for girls to lead tech activities.

About Escondido Program Center Day Camp

Located in the heart of Kit Carson Park, the Escondido Program Center includes a large lodge with a fireplace, multiple restrooms, air conditioning, shaded porches, archery range, water mister, sports field, and a campfire ring.

Multi-Age (Daises and Up)



Note: Extended Camp is not available at Escondido Program Center.

Transportation and camp registration will be provided to a designated number of girls (K-6) thanks to the generous support of the **Booz Allen Foundation**. The bus will transport girls between the Malcolm X Library, the Balboa Campus, and the EPC. If you live in zip codes 92102, 92113, 92114, 92139 and want to spend a week immersed in outdoor fun and technology, contact campdirector@sdgirlscouts.org for more information.

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| Escondido Program Center Day Camp: 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Grades K-6 | | | | | | |
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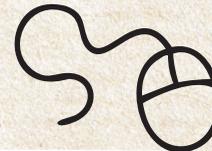
TECHNOLOGY GODDESSES™ AT EPC

For detailed information on sessions, grade levels, pricing, and related details, please visit sdgirlscouts.org/camp.

Camp of Code at EPC Day Camp: Monday, July 20-Friday, July 24

At this “camp of code,” learn teamwork, leadership, and analytical thinking skills while you become immersed in technology. This camp offers age-appropriate activities within deaf education, communication, and artificial intelligence. Plus, enjoy traditional day camp activities like arts and crafts, team games, and outdoor adventures.

Contact volunteer camp directors at directors@goddesscamp.org

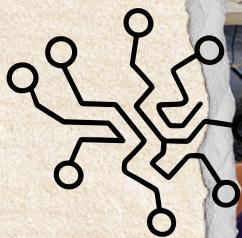


Overnight for campers entering grades 5-12: Wednesday, July 22

Program Aides/Counselor-in-Training in Action at EPC: Monday, July 20-Friday, July 24

PAs (Program Aides) and CITs (Counselor-in-Training) will lead campers in exploring the world of STEAM as you strengthen your skills and become a more confident leader! Prerequisites are required; see page 8 for details.

Note: PAs/CITs will be assigned to units, the crafts center, or our technology areas depending on experience. All PAs/CITs will have the opportunity to add to their technology skills in our after-camp lab, as well as to socialize with other PA/CITs on our Wednesday night sleepover. PA/CITs assigned to work in our technology areas will also be expected to stay overnight Thursday for our “@” night.



WINACKA DAY CAMP - NEW!

Girl Scouts San Diego Camp Winacka (WIN)
4720 Boulder Creek Rd. Julian, CA 92036

This new camp welcomes all the outdoor adventurers who are ready to spend each day exploring the wild wonders of Winacka!

About Winacka Day Camp

Activities at Camp Winacka are held at the lodge, lake, environmental center, target sports range, challenge course, play field, and on the trails. Every camper gets to dabble (weather permitting) in classic camp adventures that align with their age group like:

- Brownies – Slingshots and Low Ropes
- Juniors – Archery and Low Ropes
- Cadettes and Up - Hatchet Throwing and Challenge Course



Hours

Mon - Fri 8:30 - 5 p.m.
Extended Camp: 7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

Daily hot lunch included.



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|---|------------------------|---|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| NEW! Winacka Day Camp: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Grades 2-12 Extended Camp: 7:30-8:30 a.m | | | | | | |
| | | | Outdoor Adventurers | Outdoor Adventurers | Outdoor Adventurers | |

SUMMER DAY CAMP AT WIN

For detailed information on sessions, grade levels, pricing, and related details, please visit sdgirlscouts.org/camp.

Outdoor Adventurers

At WIN Day Camp, program activities are pre-planned to explore the Outdoor Adventures theme, and each group of campers and staff also plan their own activities based on campers' interests and ages, giving them an opportunity for girl-leadership at camp.

Badges:

Brownies - Outdoor Adventurers

Juniors - Junior Trail Adventure

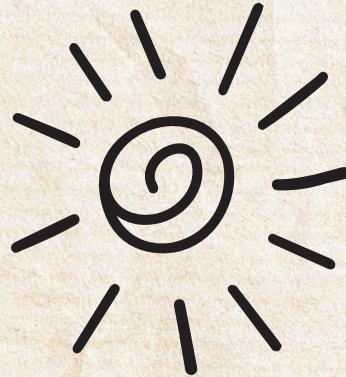
Cadette - Trailblazing

Dates:

Monday, July 6 – Friday, July 10

Monday, July 13 – Friday, July 17

Monday, July 20 – Friday, July 24



I ♥ GSSD CAMP



Frequently Asked Questions

If my camper becomes sick or injured at camp, how will they receive help?

All Day Camp and Sleepaway camp staff are certified in First Aid and CPR and carry a first aid kit with their unit at all times. Camp staff manage a child's medical emergency or illness through a structured procedure: a trained medical professional on-site first assesses the child and provides immediate care. For serious conditions, parents are contacted immediately, and the child is transported to a local clinic or hospital (via camp transport or EMS) with a staff member escort, using the parent-provided medical consent forms to ensure prompt treatment until the parent can arrive.

What should I do if my camper needs to bring medications to camp?

Complete the Camper Health and Medication Form during registration, and, update two to three weeks before your camp session if needed. Please send all medications with your camper in their original containers. All medications will be safely locked up, stored appropriately, and distributed by a trained professional. Counselors will keep any emergency medications (i.e. inhalers, EpiPens, glucagon) on hand at all times. If you would like your camper to carry their own emergency medication, please email camp@sdgirlscouts.org.

How are dietary restrictions handled at camp?

Please communicate dietary restrictions on the Camper Health and Medication Form during the registration process. We can accommodate most dietary restrictions with advanced notice. All our day and sleepaway camps are nut-free; please do not send any items containing peanuts or tree nuts with your camper to camp.

Can I send snacks with my sleepaway camper?

Due to the wild animals at camp, please do not send snacks with your camper to sleepaway camp (Winacka or Whispering Oaks). We provide daily snacks for campers, such as cereal bars, fruits, pretzels, chips, and more!

What if my camper becomes sick before camp?

Please keep them at home. If space allows, we will transfer your camper to a camp at a later date. You can help protect the camp community by staying healthy in the weeks before your session and staying home if you are sick.

Can I send mail to my camper?

Campers may receive regular U.S. mail. No packages, please. Caregivers may also drop mail off at the bus stops on Mondays. Campers may respond via U.S. mail only. With only one week at camp (for most camps), it's possible that mail may only be received one time at camp or at home.

How should I communicate any special needs or accommodations that my camper may need?

When filling out the registration and health forms, please provide us with as much information as possible so we can best help your camper. If you need additional space or would like to explain further, email us at camp@sdgirlscouts.org.

Campers with Special Needs

With sufficient notice, we can accommodate most campers with special physical, medical, emotional, social, or dietary needs. Fill out the Camper Health and Medication Form in detail during registration. Contact the director at camp@sdgirlscouts.org at least four weeks in advance of the start of the session with specific considerations.

What is your communicable disease protocol?

Girl Scouts San Diego will follow any local and CDC infectious disease mandates that are in place when camp is in session. Masks are always welcome for additional protection. Masks will not be worn while eating, drinking, and sleeping, or during aquatic activities like swimming or canoeing.

What are the required health screenings and procedures upon arrival at sleepaway camp?

Upon arrival to camp drop-off location (bus stop or camp), each camper will be asked to answer general health-check questions in addition to health screenings, including a lice check and temperature check. If your camper is found to have any evidence of communicable health concerns, such as a fever, lice, or nits, your camper will not be allowed to join camp until the issue is appropriately treated/resolved. The healthcare staff will communicate with you to determine when your camper is able to join the camp session.

How to volunteer at a GSSD camp?

Contact campdirector@sdgirlscouts.org.

Your Summer

YOUR Story



CAMP WHISPERING OAKS

SLEEPAWAY CAMP

Girl Scouts San Diego Camp Whispering Oaks (CWO)
4949 Pine Hills Rd. Julian, CA 92036

Stand-up comedy, pottery pinch pots,
hammock hangouts, and more!

With camp themes ranging from developing worldly culinary cooking skills and putting your detective skills to the test to creating fairy tale magic and becoming a star during a performance showcase, there is something for every creative mind at Camp Whispering Oaks!

About Whispering Oaks Sleepaway Camp

Camper Living Spaces: Enclosed cabins are centered around the main lodge and have electricity, bunk beds, and flush toilets; hot showers are accessible to all accommodations. Counselors stay in cabins with campers of all age levels. Campers in certain sessions will have the opportunity to plan a sleepout either under the stars or in a tent in a different location. If sleeping at a tent site, counselors sleep in pitch tents adjacent to camper tents.

Activities at Camp Whispering Oaks are held at the lodge, challenge course, play field, playground, arts shed, target sports range, and on the trails. Every camper gets to dabble (weather permitting) in classic camp adventures that align with their age group like:

- Brownies – Slingshots, Low Ropes
- Juniors – Slingshots, Low Ropes, Archery
- Cadettes and Up – Slingshots, Low Ropes, High Ropes, Archery, Hatchet Throwing
- All ages – Hiking, Team Building Challenges, Cookouts



SLEEPAWAY CAMP AT A GLANCE



CAMP WHISPERING OAKS (CWO)

For camp session descriptions and details, visit sdgirlscouts.org/camp.



CWO sleepaway camp session prices range from \$595-\$1,500. All CWO sleepaway camp sessions are eligible for financial assistance.

| Week One June 22-26 5 days | Week Two June 29-July 3 3 and 5 days | Week Three July 6-10 5 days | Week Four July 13-17 5 days | Week Five July 20-24 5 days |
|---|--|---|--|---|
| Grades 2-3 Brownies | | | | |
| Unicorn Dance Squad <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Brownie Bites 3-Day Camp <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Animal Adventures <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | World Play Passport <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Magic Makers <i>Enclosed cabins</i> |
| | Fairytales and Firelight <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | | | Adventure Pals <i>Enclosed cabins</i> |
| Grades 4-5 Juniors | | | | |
| On Stage! <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Chewy's Camp Cook-Off <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Walk on the Wild Side <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Summer Camp Olympics <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Time Travelers <i>Enclosed cabins</i> |
| Studio Oaks <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Junior Explorers 3-Day Camp <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Galaxy Quest <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | | Adventure Pals <i>Enclosed cabins</i> |
| Grades 6-8 Cadettes | | | | |
| Mic Drop! <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Hammock Hangout <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | On Belay! <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Global Grub Club <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Campfire Legends <i>Enclosed cabins</i> |
| Camp Bookworm <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | | | Passport to the Stage <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Adventure Pals <i>Enclosed cabins</i> |
| Grades 9-12 Seniors And Ambassadors | | | | |
| Future You: #CampFluencer <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Future You: Sunset Society <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Future You: Next Level You <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Future You: Global Arts Collective <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Future You: Vintage Avengers <i>Enclosed cabins</i> |
| | | | | Adventure Pals <i>Enclosed cabins</i> |
| Grades 6-12 Older Camper Leadership | | | | |
| 12 DAYS: Counselor-in-Training 1 Grades 9-12 <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | | Program Aide Training Grades 6-8 <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | 12 DAYS: Counselor-in-Training 2 Grades 11-12 <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | |
| | | PA/CIT in Action! <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | PA/CIT in Action! <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | PA/CIT in Action! <i>Enclosed cabins</i> |



CWO WEEKLY THEMES

For detailed information on sessions, grade levels, pricing, and related details, please visit sdgirlscouts.org/camp.

Week One: Monday, June 22-Friday, June 26

Lights, Camera, Action...What a creative summer!

Will you create a vlog about your favorite camp activity, practice your public speaking skills, write your very own mini musical, or support the production behind-the-scenes? All campers will participate in an end-of-week showcase, highlighting your efforts in pre-production, backstage, or centerstage for your fellow campers.

Week Two: Monday, June 29-Friday, July 3

The Great Camp-cation...What a festive summer!

Celebrate the Fourth of July at Camp Whispering Oaks Resort! Craft your own spa-quality soaps at Hammock Hangout, show off your holiday cookout skills at Chewy's Cook-off, or design your own one-of-a-kind camp-cation adventure! All campers participate in a barbeque extravaganza.

NEW THIS YEAR during Week Two: Three-Day Sleepaway Camps! Mon., June 29-Wed., July 1

Whether you're a Brownie or Junior ready to explore sleepaway camp, this three-day, two-night Monday-Wednesday camp session is the perfect way to take your first steps into the great outdoors. Spend your days hiking, playing games, singing songs, crafting, and exploring nature's wonders. From slingshots and creative crafts to cozy cabin nights and new friendships, this adventure is all about exploring, learning, and making memories that will last a lifetime.

Week Three: Monday, July 6-Friday, July 10

Naturally Curious...What an intriguing summer!

This week is all about campers who are naturally curious—the explorers, question-askers, and future scientists eager to discover how things work and why. From animal encounters and climbing adventures to real-world life skills, every activity is designed to spark exploration, challenge, and self-discovery.

Week Four: Monday, July 13-Friday, July 17

Globetrotters...What a worldly summer!

Pack your sense of adventure—it's time to travel the globe, Whispering Oaks-style! Campers will explore cultures, games, art, and flavors from around the world, all within the magical backdrop of camp. Every day is a new "destination" filled with creativity, connection, and fun that brings our global sisterhood to life.

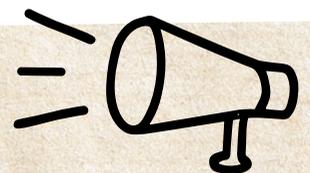
Week Five: Monday, July 20-Friday, July 24

Memory Makers...What a memorable summer!

It's time to take a bow and celebrate the best moments! During our final act, campers will reflect on their favorite memories and make new ones along the way. From time travel and storytelling to fashion, art, and camp traditions, this week wraps up summer at CWO with creativity, laughter, and heart.

12-day Camp Sessions for CIT I and CIT II Training: During CWO Sleepaway Sessions

As CITs (Counselors-in-Training) I and II, continue your leadership journey as you learn advanced camper engagement techniques, activity facilitation, and the behind-the-scenes magic of camp operations. While you help to make the sessions at CWO a success for younger campers, you'll also enjoy time with your unit doing classic camp activities. This is your opportunity to mentor with confidence and take your leadership to the next level! For Sleepaway Camp, Counselors-in-Training who have completed all of the prerequisites may register for a "CIT I" or "CIT II" session based on your level. Note: Completion of a CIT I program is a required prerequisite to register as a CIT II. See page 8 for more information.

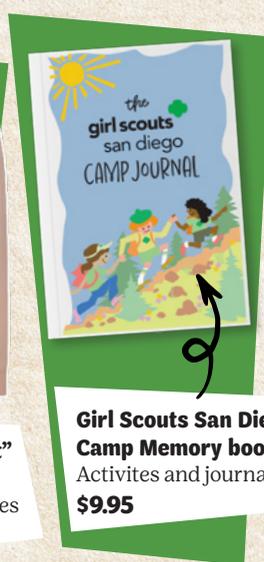


★ Get Your Camp Swag!!

Purchase exclusive 2026 camp apparel during registration! Items may vary based on available quantities. All prices are pre-tax.



GSSD "Camp like a Girl Scout" Puff Paint Hoodie
Available in adult and youth sizes
\$54.95



Girl Scouts San Diego Camp Memory book
Activities and journal
\$9.95



Set of Three Shoe Charms
Shoes not included
\$10.95



GSSD camp signs Tee
Available in adult and youth sizes
\$28.95
Decals \$4

Did you know?

Summer
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2026 is the **50th anniversary** of Camp Winacka!

Stay tuned for announcements about a commemorative patch and ways to celebrate.

Your Summer

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CAMP WINACKA

SLEEPAWAY CAMP

Girl Scouts San Diego Camp Winacka (WIN)
4720 Boulder Creek Rd., Julian, CA 92036

Archery challenges, lake canoeing, and nights under a star-filled sky!

From detective missions and color wars to water adventures and survival challenges, this classic camp in Julian is where courage and curiosity meet. Whether you're learning to navigate the ropes course, cooling off in the pool, or creating memories with new friends around the campfire, every camper will find their next great adventure here!

About Winacka Sleepaway Camp

Camper Living Spaces: Living units are nestled among tall trees surrounding a wide, sunny meadow. Counselors sleep in cabins with campers in grades 2-5, and in nearby cabins with campers in grades 6-12. Each living unit includes a central porch and fire ring, perfect for storytelling, s'mores, and starlit gatherings. Flush toilets and hot showers are accessible to all accommodations.

Activities at Camp Winacka are held at the lodge, swimming pool, lake, environmental center, challenge course, target sports range, equestrian arena and on the trails. Every camper gets to dabble (weather permitting) in classic camp adventures that align with their age group like:

Brownies – Slingshots, Low Ropes

Juniors – Slingshots, Low Ropes, Archery

Cadettes and Up – Slingshots, Low Ropes, High Ropes, Archery, Hatchet Throwing

All ages – Hiking, Fishing, Cookouts



SLEEPAWAY CAMP AT A GLANCE

CAMP WINACKA (WIN)

For camp session descriptions and details, visit sdgirlscouts.org/camp.

WIN sleepaway camp session prices range from \$995-\$1,500. All WIN sleepaway camp sessions are eligible for financial assistance.

| Week One June 22-26 5 days | Week Two June 29-July 3 5 days | Week Three July 6-10 5 days | Week Four July 13-17 5 days | Week Five July 20-24 5 days |
|---|--|---|---|---|
| Grades 2-3 Brownies | | | | |
| Spy kids <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Doodle Bugs <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Mermaids <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Bugs and Boots <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Enchanted Explorers <i>Enclosed cabins</i> |
| | | | Adventure Pals <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | |
| Grades 4-5 Juniors | | | | |
| Adventure Agents <i>Open-air cabins</i> | Pop of Color <i>Open-air cabins</i> | Let it Grow! <i>Open-air cabins</i> | Wilderness Wonders <i>Open-air cabins</i> | Cosmic Creators <i>Open-air cabins</i> |
| Rusty's Rescue Riders <i>Open-air cabins</i> | Painted Ponies <i>Open-air cabins</i> | Seahorses <i>Open-air cabins</i> | Saddles and Paddles <i>Open-air cabins</i> | Space Cowboys <i>Open-air cabins</i> |
| | | | Adventure Pals <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | |
| Grades 6-8 Cadettes | | | | |
| CCSU: Winacka <i>Open-air cabins</i> | Culinary Creations <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Shore to Summit <i>Open-air cabins</i> | We Speak for the Trees! <i>Open-air cabins</i> | Night Owls <i>Enclosed cabins</i> |
| Challenge Accepted! <i>Open-air cabins</i> | Joy Society <i>Open-air cabins</i> | My Camp, My Rules <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Rusty's Rangers <i>Open-air cabins</i> | Starlit Studio <i>Open-air cabins</i> |
| Shadow Squad <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Color Clash <i>Open-air cabins</i> | Seahorses <i>Open-air cabins</i> | Saddles and Paddles <i>Open-air cabins</i> | Moonlit Magic <i>Open-air cabins</i> |
| Rusty's Rescue Riders <i>Open-air cabins</i> | Painted Ponies <i>Open-air cabins</i> | | Adventure Pals <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | Space Cowboys <i>Open-air cabins</i> |
| Grades 9-12 Seniors And Ambassadors | | | | |
| Limitless You: Summer Bucket List I <i>Open-air cabins</i> | Limitless You: Mud, Sweat, and Cheers <i>Open-air cabins</i> | Limitless You: Summer Bucket List II <i>Open-air cabins</i> | 12 DAYS: Limitless You: Surviving Winacka <i>Open-air cabins, Tents and Under-The-Stars</i> | |
| | | Limitless You: Cabins and Dragons <i>Open-air cabins</i> | Adventure Pals <i>Enclosed cabins</i> | |
| Grades 6-12 Older Camper Leadership | | | | |
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WIN WEEKLY THEMES

For detailed information on sessions, grade levels, pricing, and related details, please visit sdgirlscouts.org/camp.

Week One: Monday, June 22-Friday, June 26

Operation Rescue Rusty... What a mysterious summer!

Something strange is afoot at Camp Winacka—our beloved camp mascot, Rusty, has gone missing!

During our five-day sleepaway camp sessions, campers of every age will join the investigation, collecting clues, cracking codes, and piecing together the mystery to bring Rusty home. From spy training to outdoor adventures, teamwork, and problem-solving, each cabin will play a special role in the search. Can you solve the mystery before the end-of-week campfire?



Week Two: Monday, June 29-Friday, July 3

Winacka Mess-terpiece...What a messy summer!

Dig in the dirt, splash some paint and play with your food! Break all of the school year rules and get messy all week at camp with us! Campers will dive into hands-on projects that celebrate color, texture, and imagination — from sticky science to artsy outdoor games.



Week Three: Monday, July 6-Friday, July 10

Making Waves...What a refreshing summer!

It's time to dive into the heart of summer! Campers will make a splash with water-filled adventures, creative challenges, and community spirit! Whether building friendships at the lake or cooling off in the pool or exploring what it means to make waves in your world, this week is packed with connection, courage, and camp fun. Make waves both in and out of the water this week. Enjoy extended time on the lake, design and test-run a slip n-slide or complete secret missions to spread kindness throughout camp.



Week Four: Monday, July 13-Friday, July 17

I've Got the (Outdoor) Skills...What a masterful summer!

Grab your boots, hats, and adventurous spirit — this week is all about mastering the great outdoors! Campers will learn outdoor living skills, from navigation and nature exploration to cooking and teamwork. Whether you're exploring the lake, conquering trails, or building confidence under the open sky, this session celebrates courage, independence, and fun in the wild.



Week Five: Monday, July 20-Friday, July 24

Reach for the Stars...What a magical finale!

As the sun sets on another unforgettable summer at Camp Winacka, this week is all about imagination, reflection, and celebration. From enchanted explorations to stargazing adventures, campers will wrap up their summer journey with creativity, connection, and a sprinkle of cosmic wonder. We will all take a look towards the sky and with a clear sky, catch a glimpse of the Perseid meteor shower!



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Your Summer



Camp registration opens on Wednesday, Jan. 14 at 6 p.m.

For camp session descriptions and details, visit sdgirlscouts.org/camp.

Camp Open Houses

In-person tour dates:

- Sunday, March 8, 1-4 p.m. CWO and WIN
- Sunday, April 19, 1-4 p.m. Balboa
- Sunday, May 17, 1-4 p.m. CWO and WIN

Bring the whole family to meet staff and take walking tours of Balboa Day Camp, Camp Whispering Oaks, and Camp Winacka. For details and to register, visit sdgirlscouts.org/events and search: Open House.

Campfire Chats

- Monday Jan. 26, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Join our virtual campfire chat and have the opportunity to ask questions of the camp team.

Contact Information

Register online: sdgirlscouts.org/camp

Phone: 619-610-0821

Fax: 619-795-6930

Locations

Balboa Campus

1231 Upas St., San Diego, CA 92103

Escondido Program Center

3050 Las Palmas, Escondido, CA 92025

Camp Whispering Oaks

4949 Pine Hills Rd., Julian, CA 92036

Camp Winacka

4720 Boulder Creek Rd., Julian, CA 92036

For detailed information on sessions, grade levels, pricing, and related details go to sdgirlscouts.org/camp.

Select your favorite session options and bring your summer story to life!

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