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# THERE IS SIMPLY NOTHING LIKE IT

Take a deep breath. Catch the scent of pine cones mixed with roasting marshmallows, and you are ready for your summer camp adventure.

There are leaves to rustle through, water to plunge into, and trails to explore. There are campfire stories that will make you laugh and shiver, like the night air causing you to snuggle deeper into the warmth of your sleeping bag ... drifting off to dream of the fun you'll have tomorrow.

At summer camp you can come for the day, for three, five, or even 12 nights. You can bring a buddy or come on your own, but in no time you will know all the girls in your camping unit just like your friends back home. That is just the "nature" of summer camp – friends made summer after summer often become your friends for life. You might even come to camp with your whole troop or with your favorite adult!

> **Register at:** <u>bit.ly/GreatGirlScoutCamp</u>



# OUR CAMPS

# Camp Evelyn

Camp Evelyn is nestled on 240 acres of beautifully wooded property near Plymouth, Wisconsin. You will love jumping off the dock into the clear waters of Crystal Lake, getting your feet wet while looking for wildlife in the Mullet River, practicing archery, having fun in the pool, hiking around camp, challenging yourself on our low ropes course, and more!

When you come to Camp Evelyn, you will call one of these units your home: Dacha ◆ The Glen ◆ LaForet ◆ T-Line









Camp Manitou is nestled on 140 acres in Shoto, Wisconsin, and is on the banks of Serenity Lake in Manitowoc County. You will love swimming, fishing, stand-up paddle boarding, and boating in Serenity Lake. You can try your hand at disc golfing, geocaching, exploring, hiking the trails, and more.

When you come to Camp Manitou, you will call one of these buildings your home: The Cedars • Pine Troop House







# OVERNIGHT CAMP

Check-in is from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. and check-out starts at 3:30 p.m.

# Camp Evelyn

# Wisconsin Voyagers

Get ready for an epic camping adventure through the heart of Wisconsin! This unforgettable 5-day journey will take you on a whirlwind tour of the Badger State, packed with fun, excitement, and new discoveries. Start your journey by bonding with your fellow adventurers at Camp Evelyn, where you'll prepare for the adventure ahead. Then hit the open road and explore the stunning beauty of Devil's Lake State Park, where you'll set up camp surrounded by iconic rock formations and crystal-clear waters. Next, get ready for a splash of excitement at the thrilling water parks of Wisconsin Dells, followed by a camping experience under the stars. Discover a different side in Wisconsin Rapids, where you can explore the beautiful Wisconsin River, enjoy outdoor activities, and learn about the area's rich history. Immerse yourself in the vibrant city of Oshkosh, known for its aviation history and exciting events, before returning to Camp Evelyn, where you can share stories, reflect on your amazing experiences, and create lasting memories with your fellow travelers. This trip is packed with fun, friendship, and unforgettable memories. Are you ready to hit the road and explore all that Wisconsin has to offer? 5-night: August 3-8 | For girls entering grades 8-12 | \$770







# In My Camp Era

Ready to dive deep into the Taylor Swift universe? This isn't just a camp; it's an Evelyn experience! Get ready to explore every era, from the dreamy days of *Taylor Swift* to the fearless world of *Reputation*. We'll sing our hearts out, craft like it's *1989*, and even battle it out in epic showdowns. Make lifelong friendships, create unforgettable memories and discover your inner Swiftie. Are you ready to write your own love story at this one-of-a-kind camp?

5-night: June 15-20 | For girls entering grades K-12 | \$478 3-night: June 15-18 | For girls entering grades K-12 | \$340

## Top Secret

Get ready for a thrilling adventure filled with suspense and unexpected twists. This camp is a puzzle waiting to be solved, where every single clue leads to a new discovery. Become a master detective as you investigate mysterious happenings, crack cryptic codes, and uncover hidden truths. From secret agents to treasure hunters, this camp is for those who love a good mystery and are eager to put their problem-solving to the test.

5-night: June 22-27 | For girls entering grades K-12 | \$478 3-night: June 22-25 | For girls entering grades K-12 | \$340





# Horsing Around

Calling all horse lovers! During this fun-filled week, your hours of horse time will include a riding lesson in the ring, trail riding, lessons on grooming, saddling, and horse safety. This program is appropriate for experienced and new horseback riders. There will still be plenty of time to explore all that Camp Evelyn has to offer. Please bring long pants/jeans and sturdy riding boots/shoes.

5-night: June 22-27 | For girls entering grades 6-12 | \$770

# Mini Voyagers

Three days of travel and three nights sleeping in a different space each night with pitch tents, hammocks, or your very own shelter. Spend some time preparing for a 2-night stay at one of our local campgrounds where you will learn camping basics such as animal-proofing food, starting fires, and pitching tents. **5-night: June 22-27 | For girls entering grades 4-6 | \$478** 





## Under the Sea: Mermaid Magic

Dive into a world of enchantment and adventure as we explore the magical realm of mermaids! Discover the secrets of the ocean, learn mermaid lore, and unleash your inner mermaid. From swimming and water sports to arts and crafts, every activity will be infused with mermaid magic.

3-night: June 29 - July 2 | For girls entering grades K-8 | \$340

# Camp Crystal Lake: A Week of Water Adventures

Spend a week of unforgettable fun at our beautiful Crystal Lake House! Enjoy the perfect blend of relaxation and adventure as you explore the crystal-clear waters of Crystal Lake. Dive into swimming,

paddle boarding, surf biking, canoeing, and kayaking, all from the comfort of our lakeside retreat. Enjoy campfire nights, s'mores, and stargazing under the vast night sky. Make lasting memories with friends as you experience the beauty of nature and the thrill of water sports.



3-night: June 29 - July 2 | For girls entering grades 6-12 | \$340



## Forest Explorers

Unleash your inner adventurer and discover the wonders of the wild! Become a fearless explorer as we journey through the heart of the forest. From towering trees to hidden creatures, there's a world of discovery waiting to be explored. Learn about nature, survival skills, and teamwork as we embark on exciting quests and challenges. Ignite your sense of wonder and create unforgettable memories in the great outdoors!

5-night: July 6-11 | For girls entering grades K-12 | \$478 3-night: July 6-9 | For girls entering grades K-12 | \$340

# Water Wonderland

Dive into an unforgettable summer adventure! Camp Evelyn is a watery paradise where fun and excitement meet. Explore the crystal-clear depths of our lake, cruise through the waves on a paddle board, and cool off in the refreshing pool. Feel the thrill of the river as you float along on a river tube surrounded by nature's beauty. From splashing around to soaking up the sun, Water Wonderland is your ultimate summer escape!

5-night: July 13-18 | For girls entering grades K-12 | \$478 3-night: July 13-16 | For girls entering grades K-12 | \$340









# Aqua Adventures



Aqua Adventures is more than just a camp; it's a thrilling journey of exploration, challenge, and camaraderie. This camp offers an exciting mix of water sports and outdoor fun. From conquering the waves on a surf bike to discovering hidden gems on a kayak, you'll push your limits and create lasting memories. For the ultimate aquatic thrill, we'll introduce you to the wonders of the underwater world with scuba diving experiences. Whether you're a seasoned water enthusiast or a complete beginner, our expert instructors will guide you every step of the way. Get ready to make a splash, build confidence, and forge lifelong friendships.

5-night: July 13-18 | For girls entering grades 6-12 | \$500

## **Pinspiration Station**

Discover a world of creativity and imagination as you dive into the exciting realm of Pinterest crafts. From DIY jewelry to up-cycled masterpieces, our camp is a haven for budding designers and makers. Learn new techniques, collaborate with friends, and bring your Pinterest dreams to life. Whether you're a seasoned crafter or a curious beginner, there's something for everyone!

5-night: July 20-25 | For girls entering grades K-12 | \$478 3-night: July 20-23 | For girls entering grades K-12 | \$340





# Interior Design Institute

Ever dreamed of designing your own dream home? At Interior Design Institute, you can do just that! Start with a blank canvas – a wooden dollhouse – and transform it into a masterpiece. Paint it your favorite color, then dive into the world of interior design. Create a blueprint, choose your dream decor, and even design your own furniture. From color palettes to floor plans, our expert instructors will guide you every step of the way. Let's turn your design dreams into reality! **5-night: July 27 - August 1 | For girls entering grades K-12 | \$478 3-night: July 27-30 | For girls entering grades K-12 | \$340** 







# **Robotics Revolution**

Unleash your inner engineer and build the future with us! Learn to design, build, and program your own robots. From simple machines to complex creations, explore the exciting world of STEM while collaborating with friends and solving challenges. Get ready to code, construct, and compete in robot challenges! No experience is necessary – just a big imagination!

5-night: August 3-8 | For girls entering grades K-12 | \$478 3-night: August 3-6 | For girls entering grades K-12 | \$340





## Eco-Adventurers: Saving the Planet

Become a climate change hero and help save the planet! As an Eco-Adventurer, you'll explore the wonders of nature, learn about renewable energy sources, and discover sustainable living practices. Engage in exciting challenges like building solar-powered gadgets, planting trees, and creating eco-friendly inventions. Join us in protecting our planet and making a positive impact on the world! **3-night:** August 10-13 | For girls entering grades K-12 | \$340

# Camp Manitou

## Animal Adventures

Enjoy a thrilling exploration of nature's most fascinating creatures. Join us for unforgettable experiences that will ignite your passion for animals and the environment. Through exciting field trips, expert presentations, and hands-on activities you'll gain a deeper appreciation for the diversity of life on Earth. **3-night: July 6-9 | For girls entering grades 4-5 | \$340** 





# LEADERSHIP CAMP AT CAMP EVELYN

Check-in is from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. and check-out starts at 3:30 p.m.

# **Program Aide Training**

Are you a confident and enthusiastic Girl Scout ready to inspire the next generation? Our Program Aide Training is designed to equip you with the skills and knowledge needed to become a successful Girl Scout Program Aide. Through hands-on training and mentorship, you'll learn how to plan engaging activities, build strong relationships with younger girls, and foster a supportive and inclusive environment. Discover your leadership abilities as you master essential skills such as communication, problem-solving, and teamwork. June 8 from 1:00 - 6:00 p.m. | For girls entering grades 6-8 | \$25

Once you complete this in-person training, the virtual Program Aide Training offered online, or the equivalent, you are able to assist at our Camp Evelyn or Camp Manitou day camps. Tasks might include prepping activities, clean-up of activities, leading games and songs, or assisting the camp counselors with day camp groups. Your Program Aide application must be submitted and accepted prior to your participation.

# **Counselor-in-Training 1**

Our Counselor-in-Training program is a great way for you to evolve your relationship with camp and help deliver the experience you fell in love with to a new generation of girls. You will have the chance to observe staff members and work alongside them while learning and practicing how to teach campers new skills. Spend time at camp learning about behavior management techniques, operational skills, and leadership in preparation for some day becoming a camp counselor yourself. When you are not busy learning new things, you will get to enjoy all of the classic camp activities with your bunkmates.

July 6-18 | For girls entering grades 8-12 | \$780

# Counselor-in-Training 2

Do you think you have what it takes to become a future camp counselor? You will experience firsthand what it's like to be a camp counselor under the supervision of one of our lead counselors. Plan and lead all-camp activities, assist with day camp, and learn about the different jobs that make camp possible. Beyond learning skills like communication and organization, you will elevate your thinking about the ways you can bring your unique strengths to camp and to the world.

July 20 - August 1 | For girls entering grades 9-12 who completed CIT 1 | \$780

# Counselor-in-Training 3

This program is geared at providing you with hands-on experience working in a unit or another area of camp. You will work right alongside our experienced camp staff and be assigned a mentor who will check in with you on a weekly basis. Spots are limited and an application is required. Once you register for the session, an application will be sent to you. If these dates don't work, please let us know as we are flexible about arranging other dates. After successful completion of the CIT 3 program, you may be invited back to volunteer and/or apply for a position as a paid junior counselor for the remainder of the summer.

June 8-20 | For girls entering grades 10-12 who completed CIT 1 & 2 | FREE



Check-in starts at 9:00 a.m. and check-out starts at 10:00 a.m.

### Moms, Pops, and Pals at Camp Evelyn



Join us for a weekend filled with fun and adventure! Bring your favorite adult and enjoy activities like kayaking, swimming, archery, and conquering the low ropes course. We'll also have plenty of time for sing-alongs and delicious s'mores. Create lasting memories with your loved one in a fun and supportive environment.

July 26-27 | For girls entering grades K-12 & adults | \$230 (1 adult + 1 girl), \$100 per additional participant

Please note: To ensure a safe camping experience for everyone, adults who are not currently registered Girl Scout members will pay an additional \$25 and become members. Background checks will be completed. Only those passing the background check will attend the session. Refunds, less the \$25, will be given to anyone not passing the background check.



# DAY CAMP

Sample camp for a day! Participate in daytime camp fun like theme week activities, swimming, hiking, art projects, singing camp songs, playing games, and nature activities, all while building independence.

Open only to girls entering grades K-5 in the fall. All day camps cost \$57, except for Zoo Adventure at Camp Manitou (\$65). Check-in starts at 8:30 a.m. and check-out starts at 4:00 p.m. <u>CAMP EVELYN sessions:</u> lunch is provided. <u>CAMP MANITOU sessions:</u> lunch is **not** provided; please pack a lunch.

Our camp counselors will provide supervision and magical experiences at our day camps. They are girl-only events. Adults may not remain on camp property during the session. Be prepared: day campers often have so much fun they will want to participate in an overnight session as soon as possible!

#### Camp Evelyn Days: June 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 19, 26 July 10, 17, 24, 31 August 7, 14

### Camp Manitou Days: August 4, 5, 6, 7, 8

### Camp Evelyn

**Fashion Design Frenzy – June 9:** Unleash your inner designer! Our Fashion Design Frenzy camp is a dream come true for aspiring fashionistas. Learn the art of creating stunning outfits from sketch to reality. From sketching and pattern-making to fabric selection and sewing, you'll master the essentials of fashion design. Discover your unique style as you experiment with different looks and trends. Get ready to hit the runway at our end-of-day fashion show! Whether you're a budding designer or just love to express yourself through fashion, this camp is for you!

Mermaid Academy – June 10: Earn your mermaid fins this summer at our magical Mermaid Academy! Enjoy a special mermaid makeover which includes hair, glitter makeup, and nails. Make a crown and other accessories to go along with your mermaid costume. Part of the day will involve taking a dip in the Atlantic Ocean (pool).

**Slime Spectacular – June 11:** Get ready for a gooey, gloppy, and totally awesome adventure! Our Slime Spectacular camp is all about exploring the wonderful world of slime. From creating your own custom slime concoctions to learning about the science behind the slime, you'll have a blast. We'll experiment with different textures, colors, and scents to create the ultimate slime masterpieces. Plus, we'll have slime-themed games and challenges!







**Crafting a Greener World – June 12:** Get ready to unleash your inner artist and eco-warrior at Crafting a Greener World camp! We'll transform trash into treasure as we create amazing crafts from recycled materials. From up-cycled fashion to nature-inspired masterpieces, we'll learn how to be kind to the planet while having a blast. Let's build a brighter future, one craft at a time!

**Bling It On! – June 13:** Spark your creativity and design dazzling jewelry! This camp is all about transforming beads, charms, and wire into stunning accessories. Learn various jewelry-making techniques, from beading and wire wrapping to clay sculpting and resin casting. Discover your unique style and create pieces that reflect your personality. Get ready to shine bright and make a statement with your handcrafted creations!

**In My Camp Era – June 19:** This is a must-attend for any Taylor Swift fan! Join us for a day of singing, beading, and trivia battles inspired by your favorite pop star. Make new friends, create unforgettable memories, and discover your inner Swiftie. This camp is perfect for any young Swifties who want to have a fun and exciting day filled with music, creativity, and classic camp activities.



**Top Secret – June 26:** Crack the case in a day! Join us for an exciting day of mystery and intrigue as we dive into top secret clues. Solve a thrilling case, crack cryptic codes, and put your detective skills to the test.



**Forest Explorers – July 10:** Explore the woods, learn survival skills, and build teamwork. Enjoy nature-inspired activities, games, and art activities. Make unforgettable memories and discover your inner adventurer!

Water Wonderland – July 17: Splash into summer fun at Camp Evelyn! Join us for a day of water-filled adventures. Cool off in our refreshing pool with an extra block of swim time. Feel the thrill of floating down the river on a river tube. Learn exciting new water games all while making new friends!

**Pinspiration Station – July 24:** Unleash your inner artist at Pinspiration Station! Explore the exciting world of Pinterest crafts and discover your creativity. From DIY jewelry to up-cycled masterpieces, our camp is a haven for budding designers and makers.

**Interior Design Institute – July 31:** Build your dream home out of recycled materials! At our design camp, you'll learn how to transform everyday items into stunning furniture and decor. From cardboard castles to paper plate kitchens, your imagination is the limit. Let's create a sustainable and stylish home together!





**Robotics Revolution – August 7:** Join us for a thrilling robotics adventure! Explore the exciting world of STEM as you design and build your very own robots. From simple machines to complex creations, you'll learn new skills, collaborate with friends, and solve fun challenges. No experience is necessary – just a big imagination! Let's build the future together!

**Eco-Adventurers Saving the Planet – August 14:** Explore nature, learn about animals, and help keep our planet clean. Plant seeds, build birdhouses, and have fun being green!

# **Camp Manitou**

**Mermaid Academy – August 4:** Earn your mermaid fins this summer at our magical Mermaid Academy! Enjoy a special mermaid makeover which includes hair, glitter makeup, and nails. Make a crown and other accessories to go along with your mermaid costume. Part of the day will involve taking a dip in the Atlantic Ocean (Serenity Lake).

**Treasure Hunters – August 5:** Ahoy mateys! Get ready for an all-new adventure full of treasure maps and treasure hunting. Learn how to use compasses and create your own treasure map to find the secret treasure hidden at Camp Manitou. Make a special treasure chest to keep your jewels safe from thieves and build and decorate a pirate ship.







**Fairytale Adventures – August 6:** Enjoy a magical day at Camp Manitou filled with adventures straight from fairy tales. Follow the breadcrumb footsteps on a scavenger hunt through the woods where you will find a hidden stash of candy. Just be sure not to get caught by the witch. Search for magic beans and gold coins, and learn ballroom dancing.

**Bling It On! – August 7:** Spark your creativity and design your own dazzling jewelry! This camp is all about transforming beads, charms, and wire into stunning accessories. Learn various jewelry-making techniques, from beading and wire wrapping to clay sculpting and resin casting. Discover your unique style and create pieces that reflect your personality. Get ready to shine bright and make a statement with your handcrafted creations!

**Zoo Adventure – \$65 – August 8:** Embark on a wild adventure at our Zoo Adventure camp! Discover the wonders of the animal kingdom as you explore a local zoo, learn about different species, and participate in hands-on activities. From animal encounters to conservation efforts, this camp is perfect for young nature enthusiasts. Join us for unforgettable experiences and a deeper appreciation of the natural world.

# LIFE AT CAMP

# **Delicious Meals**

There is nothing like activity and fresh air to make a girl HUNGRY! Camp meals and snacks are healthy and kid-friendly. Most meals are prepared by our cooks and are eaten in the dining hall. Three and five night campers: you will also cook at least one meal yourself outdoors.

Some of the foods we eat at camp are: French toast sticks, eggs, walking tacos, mac and cheese, grilled cheese and tomato soup, and pizza pudgie pies. Plus there's always plenty of fruit, veggies and dip, and salad!



### Sweet Dreams

At Camp Evelyn, you will sleep on cots covered with mosquito netting in tents set up on raised platforms or in cabins. Blankets, pillows, sleeping bags, sheets from home, and maybe even a favorite stuffed animal will make your cot comfy and cozy. Counselors sleep in tents or cabins that are VERY close by, but not in the same tent or cabin as you. Decisions on what unit you'll call home for your time at camp will depend on how many girls are at camp that week, your age, the camp session, and the availability of our units. At Camp Manitou, you will sleep in troop houses on mattresses, slumber-party style.





Kapers are chores. It is important in Girl Scouting to learn that everyone must do their share. In small groups, you will take turns doing kapers like setting and clearing dining hall tables, sweeping, raising and lowering the flag, keeping your tent or cabin mess-free, and helping camp be as beautiful as it can be.

Kapers

# THREE VARIETIES OF CAMP FUN

# **All-Camp Action**

You'll love the magic that comes only from a large group all together. So a few times per week the whole camp gets together for talent shows, dance parties, campfires, games, scavenger hunts, pool parties, guest presenters, and more!





# Unit Unity

The girls who live together in your camp community, called a "unit," are close to your age and become your closest friends. Together you might stay up late, share stories before bed, cook your dinner over the fire, conquer an obstacle course, jump in the lake, play games, laugh like never before, or inspire each other with unique art projects.

# Individual Adventures

Each of you are special with unique talents and interests. Every day you will get to choose activities that are open to girls from the entire camp. This allows you to make new friends and to try different activities like archery, stand up paddle boarding, kayaking, log rolling, river stomping, games, and so much more.





"Camp was an absolute blast! The ropes course was my favorite, but I also loved canoeing and hiking. I can't wait to go back next year!" - 2024 camper

# VISIT CAMP THIS SPRING

# Camp Evelyn's Amazing Scavenger Hunt Adventure

Turn Camp Evelyn into a giant board game with this fun scavenger hunt adventure. You will combine the excitement of *The Amazing Race* with the challenge of solving clues and completing puzzles. Along the way, you will also learn some Camp Evelyn and Girl Scout history. At least one adult must be present with each team. Bring your walking shoes as clues will be located throughout the camp! The winning team will earn a one-night stay in one of our camp buildings.

April 26 from 9:00-11:30 a.m. | For girls in grades K-12 | \$10 per person

# Cleaning with Meaning: Camp Evelyn

We welcome everyone and anyone who loves Camp Evelyn to come join us as we "spruce up" camp for the summer season. There will be projects for everyone! The morning will start with trail maintenance, deep cleaning, organizing, and putting up our platform tents. We will make sure to celebrate our service with a delicious meal and s'mores over the campfire. In the afternoon, we will continue our work, but not without a few songs and stories from fellow campers (past, present, and future!).

May 3 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. | For girls in grades 6-12 & adults | FREE

# Camp Manitou Sample Day Camp

If you want to visit camp before summer or just can't wait for camp to start, this day camp is sure to be a fabulous experience! Day campers will sample some of our classic camp activities such as hiking, boating (weather permitting), songs, and art projects. There will also be time for a guided tour and a summer camp Q&A. This is a girl-only drop-off event. Camp counselors will provide all activities and supervision.

May 17 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. | For girls in grades K-5 | \$30 per person | Lunch is not provided, please pack a cold lunch

# Camp Evelyn Day

Join us for a fun-filled day at Camp Evelyn! Meet your camp counselors and visit the unit where you will stay at camp. Participate in classic camp activities such as archery (Brownies and up), swimming in the pool (weather permitting), arts and crafts, and hiking to Crystal Lake. Take a tour through camp and get all your questions about camp answered by one of our counselors. Bring your family or your entire troop! Lunch and s'mores over the campfire will be provided. May 31 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. | For girls in grades K-12 | \$15 per person

**Register for these events at:** <u>bit.ly/GreatGirlScoutCamp</u>!

# CAMP PACKING LIST

Get ready for camp using this handy packing list. <u>Camper pro tip:</u> If you help pack, you'll know what you have and where it is. Plus, you'll have an easier time packing to go home!

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Suitcase/Duffel:	Backpack/Tote Bag:	<b>Optional:</b>
Flashlight or headlamp with new batteries	Body wash or soap	Bandannas, hats or visors
Hiking/sturdy shoes, tennis shoes, Crocs/Tevas	Brush, comb, and hair ties	Belt
Light jackets, sweatshirts, fleece, or sweaters (1 or 2)	Deodorant Facial tissue	Book, deck of cards, quiet games for Me Time
Short-sleeve shirts for each day, plus extras	Feminine hygiene products	Fitted twin sheet for cot
Jeans or pants (1 or 2) Long-sleeve shirts (1 or 2)	Insect repellent	Inexpensive or disposable camera
Pillow and pillowcase Sleeping bag or blanket	Shampoo and conditioner	Items for tie-dying (white t-shirt, pillowcase, etc.)
Poncho, rain coat or rain gear	Shaving cream and razors	Laundry bag
Shorts for each day, plus extras	Sunscreen (waterproof) and lip balm	Stationery, writing utensils
Mess kit: fork, spoon, knife, bowl/plate, cup	Swimsuit (1 or 2)	Pre-addressed and stamped envelopes
Sleepwear	Towel(s) (bath and beach type)	Waterproof watch Battery-operated fan
Socks for each day, plus extras	Toothbrush and paste Washcloth or shower puff	Sunglasses
Towel(s) (bath and beach type)	Water shoes	Stuffed animal
Underwear for each day, plus extras	Water bottle	Flip flops (for use in shower house only!)

### **Day Camp Packing List:**

Backpack, sunscreen, bug spray, water shoes, swimsuit and towel, extra set of clothes, water bottle, cold lunch (required for Camp Manitou sessions)

# CAMP READINESS QUIZ

Take this simple interactive quiz to help see how ready you are for camp! You might need your parent to help you out with some of the answers. Check the scores at the end for our recommendations and tips to make sure you're ready for camp!

#### 1. What grade are you in?

A. K - 2nd grade

- B. 3rd 5th grade
- C. 6th grade and up

# 2. How many times have you spent the night away from home?

A. 0-5 times

- **B. 5-10 times**
- C. 10 or more times

# 3. How many nights, in a row, have you spent away from home?

A. 0-1 nightsB. 2-3 nightsC. 4 or more nights

# 4. How do you feel about wildlife, dirt, bugs, and nature in general?

A. I'm scared or very unsure about nature.

B. I have some hesitation or fear about bugs or wildlife but otherwise I'm pretty comfortable in nature.
C. I'm just as likely to have a worm in my hand as a crayon.

### 5. Have you ever gone camping?

- A. No, not yet.
- B. Yes, in a modern cabin setting.
- C. Yes, in tents or <u>rustic</u> cabins.

### 6. How do you react to a new situation (first day of school, first day of a sports season, new environment or playground, etc.)?

A. I'm very hesitant and cling to Mom or Dad.

**B. I'm hesitant at first but usually get** over it fairly quickly with a little reassurance.

C. I'm off and running before I can even say goodbye.

### 7. How do you interact with your peers?

A. I have trouble communicating with them and rely on adult help.
B. I interact positively with my peers with little interference from adults.
C. I interact positively with my peers and usually solve conflicts without adult help.

### 8. Can you do your own daily self-care such as tooth brushing, hair brushing, hand washing, getting dressed, and tying shoelaces?

A. I cannot do most of these things without adult help.

**B. I need minimal adult help with any of these things.** 

C. I don't need any adult help, other than a reminder to do these things.

### 9. How well do you follow instructions?

A. My parents or other adults usually have to repeat instructions many times before I will do it.

**B. I usually follow instructions but sometimes have to be reminded.** 

C. I am very good at following instructions and will ask questions if I'm not sure.

#### 10. When my family or troop talks about summer camp I...

- A. Get nervous and seem concerned.
- **B. Have a lot of questions but seem interested in the idea.**
- C. I'm begging to go.

### 11. What is your gut feeling about how you will do at summer camp?

- A. I'm not sure, I think I might not be ready.
- B. It might be hard, but I think I'll be fine.
- C. I'm confident that I will have an amazing time.

# Add 1 point for each question you answered A, 2 points for each question you answered B, and 3 points for each question you answered C.

### My Points Total = \_\_\_\_\_

**If you scored 11-16 points:** You should absolutely come to camp this summer and we have a few ideas to make sure you'll have the best time! Talk with your parents and see what you can do to change your score. Can you learn to tie your own shoes before camp? Can you try some overnights with your troop or friends to practice being away from home? Can you get outdoors more or maybe learn more about bugs and wildlife you might encounter so you aren't afraid? If you work on these things, you'll be ready for an overnight camp experience! You can also come to our spring camp events to see camp and meet your counselors before summer camp. You can also try out a day camp before coming to your first overnight camp to feel even more prepared.

**If you scored 17-25 points:** You're ready for camp! A great way to make sure you're prepared is to be part of the planning process. Help pack for your camp session, keep practicing things you'll need to do at camp, and make a plan for everything you want to do while at camp.

**If you scored 26-33 points:** It's time for camp! You're going to love your camp experience. You might want to come to multiple sessions this summer since you're an expert camper. Get ready to pack your own bags because we'll see you this summer.







# PARENT INFORMATION

Hey parents! These next few pages are for you. Get all the information you need to understand the importance of summer camp, feel comfortable sending your daughter to camp, learn how to register, and more!

# Safety

Safety is priority number one at camp. Our counselors complete intense training on how to keep girls safe while still having lots of fun. Camp Evelyn and Camp Manitou are operated by the standards of Girl Scouts of the USA, which meet or exceed the standards of the local and state health departments.

All counselors pass a thorough screening process including criminal and sexual offender background checks. All counselors are certified in CPR and first aid, and many are lifeguards. A qualified health supervisor is on-site at all times, and a doctor is on call. Our camps are a safe place, and you can rest comfortably knowing your daughter is being well taken care of.

We don't let a little rain stop us – and sometimes it's even fun to play in the rain – but some program activities are dependent upon the weather. In the event that there is severe weather in the area, all girls are moved to our storm location on camp property.

# Cell Phones & Keeping in Touch

Camp is purposefully a place where girls can be "unplugged," allowing them to fully connect with each other and the environment. Cell phones and other electronic devices are not allowed at camp.

A letter or email from home can make the difference between a good day and a great day! Mail a letter to your daughter before her camp session and have her pack pre-addressed envelopes and stamps so she can write back! There are also CampGrams available on CampDoc. This is a one-way communication tool that lets you send messages to your daughter while she is at camp. We post photos daily to the Camp Evelyn Facebook page and our photo program, Waldo Photos, so that you can follow along with all the fun your daughter is having at camp. More information about CampGrams and Waldo Photos will be provided after you register for camp.

# Special Needs

EVERY GIRL deserves the chance to camp. Our camps can accommodate most physical, medical, developmental, dietary, behavioral, or communication needs. Contact the Director of Camp and Program to discuss the nature of your daughter's specific needs and any concerns or questions you might have.

# Camp Store (Canteen)

The Camp Evelyn store (Canteen) is bursting with camp goodies including T-shirts, stickers, water bottles, toys, additional activity items, snacks, and more. A popular item, the yearly camp T-shirt will cost \$30. All Camp Evelyn campers will have the opportunity to visit the Canteen at least once during their session, including Camp Evelyn day campers. See below for a sneak peek of some items that will be in the Canteen this summer!



Help your daughter bring her camp memories home by depositing funds into her camp store account when you register for camp, anytime before camp, or during check-in. Cash, check, credit card, and program credits earned in the cookie sale are accepted in the canteen. Any remaining balance at the end of the camp session can be donated to camp or will be refunded to you following the camp session.

Let your daughter know you will be thinking of her with a camp care package! Care packages are purchased when you register and are given to your daughter on her first day at camp. This year's care package costs \$40 and contains: a cotton backpack, plush key chain, water bottle, bandanna, sunglasses, postcards, and a camp bracelet.

### Help your daughter prepare for camp!

After you've signed your daughter up for camp, there are a few things you can do to help her (and yourself) get ready for her time at camp. Here are a few of our favorite tips and ideas:

- Talk about camp together. The more both of you talk about camp, the more comfortable you will be when it's time for her camp session. See what questions she has, what she may be nervous about, and what she's looking forward to most.
- Help her pack for camp but don't just do it for her. Life at camp will be much easier

if she knows what she has and where to find it. It'll be great practice for when she's packing to come home at the end of camp.

- Explore camp ahead of time. Attend our spring camp events (see page 16). Virtual tours are available on our website. Seeing camp with your own eyes will help you both feel more comfortable with camp.
- Send her off with a smile! Your attitude about summer camp has a huge influence over her experience. If you are excited for her and have nothing but positive things to say, chances are she will feel the same way.

# Why camp?

Summer is when some of the most fun childhood memories are made, but it's also an awesome opportunity for your daughter to grow, learn, and become her best self. Here are seven amazing benefits your daughter will get from her overnight summer camp experience:

- 1. She'll make new friends. There's nothing quite like giggling over games in the tent or cabin or singing with new besties around a campfire. That's why it's actually good to send her to camp where she might not know many (or any) other girls! Having a diverse group of friends, not just kids she knows from school, will broaden her horizons and help her see her own worth, too.
- 2. She'll see all she can be. In an all-girl environment like camp, girls are more comfortable trying new outdoor activities, and they get to take the lead every single time meaning there's plenty of room at the top for your daughter to take charge and flex her muscle, both when it comes to outdoor adventure and crucial leadership skills that will last her a lifetime.
- 3. She'll turn off her phone and tune in to nature. Getting out in nature, soaking up the sun, or dashing inside during a sudden downpour is way more exciting than any app she might have on her phone and is all part of the adventure of camp. Unplugging for a while will keep her more present and truly enjoying every moment instead of simply watching it from a screen.
- 4. She'll grow her grit. The truth is, she might scrape a knee or elbow while she's away and that's a good thing! When she learns to get back up after minor setbacks, like scrapes and bumps, she's building resilience and learning that she's a lot tougher than she thinks.
- 5. She'll meet new mentors. Having a variety of awesome role models will help your girl see the many ways to be successful and happy in life. And the incredibly supportive staff and counselors at camp are ready to step up to the plate and inspire!
- 6. She'll gain independence. Being away from home especially if that's a new thing for her! – might be a bit intimidating to both your daughter and you. But having that time away to explore and try activities on her own will make her more self-reliant and able to discover new things to share and teach you when she returns home.
- 7. She'll have tons of time for play. Playtime is anything but a waste of time. In fact, studies show that play allows the neurons in a child's brain to form new connections and that this rewiring helps boost emotional intelligence, decision-making skills, creativity, and problem-solving abilities.

The truth is, sending your daughter off to overnight camp is one of the best gifts you can give her. The fun, outdoor adventure, and friends will enrich her life and – perhaps without her even noticing it – give her the courage, people skills, and leadership chops to succeed at whatever she sets her mind to.







# CAMP REGISTRATION

Registration, health information, required forms, camp photos, and camp letters are all on one easy-to-use system ... <u>CampDoc.com</u>!

Simply create an account or log in to register. You can even add on items like a camp T-shirt or care package.





Scan to register on CampDoc

Scan to visit the camp pages on our website

Program credits and free sessions earned in the 2025 Cookie Sale and financial assistance can all be used when registering your daughter for camp.

Both <u>our website</u> & <u>CampDoc</u> have detailed instructions on how to use program credits, free sessions, and financial assistance.

When registering, you can even set up a payment plan to have the camp fee charged to you over time rather than all at once.

# **Register at <u>bit.ly/GreatGirlScoutCamp</u>**

A confirmation email will arrive shortly after you register. This email contains links to vital information and will provide details about required health and transportation information you will need to provide to us. It is important that you read through this email and the links very soon after receiving it. Please check your spam/junk folder if you do not see it in your inbox. If you do not receive a confirmation email from us within 24 hours, please contact us at <u>growstrong@gsmanitou.org</u> or 920-565-4575. All girls entering grades K-12 are welcome at camp! If your daughter isn't a Girl Scout yet, you will add the \$30 Girl Scout membership dues to the camp fee during the registration process so that your daughter will become a member. For an incredible deal, pay \$63 to be a member for a whole additional year.

After registering for a session, refunds less a processing fee are considered on a case-by-case basis with three weeks' notice or due to an emergency.

If you have questions or need assistance with registering your daughter for camp, please contact us at 920-565-4575 or <u>hope@gsmanitou.org</u>. For CampDoc.com log in or technical issues, please visit <u>support.campdoc.com</u> or call 734-636-1000.





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