



Northern Lights Day Camp
Erin, Germantown, Holy Hill
August 3th – 7th
9:00 AM – 4:45 PM
Camp Silver Brook

Saddle up for Wild West Adventures at Day Camp!

Get ready to explore the spirit of the frontier through games, challenges, and hands-on activities that bring the wide-open outdoors to life. From building teamwork on the trail to discovering hidden treasures and creating crafty keepsakes, every day will be filled with excitement, friendship, and discovery. Campers will step into a world of adventure where curiosity leads the way, imagination runs free, and every moment feels like a new frontier waiting to be explored. Pack your sense of adventure and join us for a summer of laughter, exploration, and unforgettable memories, your Wild West Adventure starts here!

Saddle up cowboys & cowgirls! Dad's day is Tuesday, but of course they can come any day! We encourage every camper's parent to volunteer at least one day during the week to make sure the group has enough coverage. We are a hundred percent volunteer run so come join the fun!

Campers 4K – 6th Grade (2025-2026 school grade)

Nov. 17th - Dec. 20th: \$195

Dec. 21st - March 1st: \$220

March 2nd - July 17th: \$245

Late registration: \$270

PA and CIT: no fee

Peewees (boys & girls ages 3-5) and boys (ages 6-12): \$15/day

Overnights: \$20/day

Adult volunteers: GS registered membership at gswise.org

Online Registration Instructions

To ensure a great camp experience, all volunteers must register in advance. Every adult volunteer will oversee their assigned unit. Your registration confirms your role and helps up plan effectively.

Everyone who attends camp (**campers AND volunteers**) are required to be a registered Girl Scout member. Adults must have a current background check for the safety of our campers. Please register at gswise.org

Register for camp online at <https://www.gswise.org/en/members/for-girl-scouts/camp-and-outdoors.html>

Pay with credit/debit card (Visa, American Express, MasterCard, Discover).

Adults volunteering for camp register online using the same process as the camper. Adults register as campers grade 12+. After initial registration, go back into your CampMinder account and complete the required health history, transportation, volunteer days, overnights, and any other required information within one week. Failure to do so places your camper's registration in the incomplete status and creates additional follow-up by your volunteer directors. Please contact CustomerCare@gswise.org with questions or for assistance.

Financial Assistance Info

If the cost of camp remains beyond your financial capacity, we invite you to apply for financial assistance. Please pay the required minimum deposit and check the financial assistance box in CampMinder. You will receive a form via email that you must complete to process your request. We treat all requests with the strictest of confidence.

Cancellation Policy

Timeframe	Policy
Up to 5 weeks prior to camp session start date	Cancellations can be transferred to another camp/session or a refund for the amount paid minus the deposit will be issued. Allow two weeks for refund processing and receipt.
3-5 weeks before camp session start date	Cancellations can be transferred to another camp/session. A refund for the amount paid minus the deposit is only allowed in the following circumstances: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Medical reasons• Mandatory summer school• A death or critical illness (immediate family)• Family moves out of the area

Less than 3 weeks prior to the camp session start date	No refund except for the following circumstances: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical reasons • Mandatory summer school • A death or critical illness (immediate family) • Family moves out of the area
Camp session is full or canceled by the council	Full refunds will be issued, including camp deposit. Allow two weeks for refund processing and receipt.

Adult Volunteer Details

Our day camps and events rely on adult volunteers. Having strong positive adults involved in their activities gives girls the security of knowing that there is a community of people who care and are invested in seeing her grow and succeed. Be one of them! See what your Girl Scout is doing. Meet her friends. Make new friends yourself. Volunteer to help at camp this year and see what the excitement is all about!

This camp is 100% organized and facilitated by **volunteers**. Spend quality time with your Girl Scout and volunteer for a day (or five!) helping her and her friends.

The girls need you! One adult volunteer is needed for every 5-8 girls during each day of camp. That means each family should register at least one adult to help for a minimum of one day during day camp. Volunteers don't have to be moms – dads, grandparents, family friends, young adult volunteers, Girl Scout alums, and more are welcome!

Peewees (boys and girls ages 3-5) and Boys (ages 6-12) are welcome on days the parent/guardian is volunteering (fee: \$15 per day), but they must be potty-trained and mature enough to participate in a full day of camp.

Transportation

Regardless of age, camp registration includes free bus transportation from one of two locations. The bus stops are Life Church in Germantown or St. Gabriel's Church in Hubertus. Exact bus times will be provided later. Buses will depart bus stops at 8:20 am and arrive back at 4:45 pm.

You are required to input your transportation choices by going into your registration and selecting more forms. This is needed for each member of the family attending camp.

If driving to camp, please remember that camp starts at 9:00 am. Please arrive around 10-15 minutes early so you can park and walk to flag.

Early Pick Up/Late Drop Off

*If you know of any early pick ups or late drop off please email the directors before camp starts.

Silver Brook: Please wait at the entrance gate and call on the gate keypad. Your camper will be transported to you/picked up by the health supervisor.

What to wear to camp

- Dress for comfort and weather
- Shirt with some kind of sleeve is required (no bare shoulders)
- Sturdy closed-toed shoes with socks
- Hat/Bandana/Sunglasses

What to bring to camp:

****Label everything with first and last name****

The Basics

- Reusable water bottle
- Mess kit - Mesh dish bag with plate, bowl, silverware and cup.
- Hat/Bandana
- Sunglasses
- Sunscreen
- Backpack to carry items
- Raincoat / poncho
- Bug spray

Waterfront Packing List (Plan to have either swim or water activity everyday)

- Swimsuit
- Towel
- Goggles – optional
- Water shoes – optional
- Plastic bag to put wet items in

Overnight Packing List

- Sleeping bag

- Pillow
- Change of clothes for each day (appropriate for the weather)
- Pajamas
- Toiletries
- Flashlight
- All overnight items placed in garbage bag and labeled to make transportation easier

Food and Allergies

We will provide a menu for the week of camp in our camp confirmation email sent out two weeks before camp starts. If you do not like a snack or lunch during the week, please bring your own lunch or snack that day. We do cook lunch over the fire 2-3 times during the week. We also provide a snack everyday as well as freeze pops. If you are staying overnight, we also provide breakfast and dinner corresponding to the overnight.

Health Information

Your camper's safety is our number one priority. We follow state licensing, American Camp Association Accreditation, and Girl Scout safety standards. Our standards include, but are not limited to:

- Certified lifeguards, health supervisors, behavioral health specialists, first aiders, and high-risk activity instructors
- Background checks for all adult staff and volunteers
- Training for all staff and volunteers to prioritize your camper's physical, mental, and emotional wellbeing
- Camps are licensed and inspected by state health inspectors
- Weather is monitored, and plans are in place for heat, storms, and other emergencies

How do parents prepare medications for camp?

All medications (prescription and non-prescription) must be turned in to the Health Supervisor at the opening flag each morning and will be returned at Friday's closing flag, or earlier if needed for overnights.

Medications must be in their original containers: prescription meds in a pharmacy-labeled bottle with camper's name, medication name, and dosage; non-prescription meds in original packaging. Medications without this information cannot be accepted. Each medication must be in a labeled Ziploc bag with an Authorization to Administer Medication form and recorded in CampMinder health information.

Campers may not keep medications in their belongings, except for epi-pens, inhalers, insulin, etc.

What if my camper becomes ill or injured at camp?

The health supervisor will administer first aid and follow the written procedures given by the camp physician. If a camper becomes so ill that a long rest period is required for recovery, or they cannot remain at camp, they may be sent home. If a camper's illness or injury is severe, they will be given emergency care at the scene and then the parents/guardians will be notified. In life-threatening situations, treatment may begin before notification. The following medications are stocked at camp and used (if approved on camper's health form) as an as-needed basis to manage illness and injury including: tylenol, neosporin, anti-itch cream, aloe, tums, ibuprofen, benadryl, eye drops, and epipen.

How does Girl Scout insurance cover my camper?

Girl Scout insurance provides supplementary coverage to campers' personal insurance and includes sickness and accident coverage for incidents that occur during their stay at camp.

Arriving to camp healthy

Please help us keep other campers, volunteers, and staff healthy this season by keeping your camper at home if they are not feeling well or are sick. If anyone is running a fever or has any consistent symptoms/signs of a contagious illness or disease, **campers may be sent home until they are symptom free and released for participation with a doctor's note from their provider.**

*Please contact the health supervisor for any attendance updates for your camper during the week of camp.

Overnight Dates**Current 4th and 5th Graders:** Overnight Tuesday

- Junior Overnight will be in tents provided by camp and these tents fit 2 – 3 girls. Adults staying over with the troop will need to stay in a separate tent from the girls. Note troops are allowed to provide their own tents. Any questions please reach out to the directors. We will send out the activities ahead of time to give an idea of what to expect.

6th Graders (PAITS): Overnight Monday and Tuesday

- PAIT's will sleep in cabins that fit up to 3 girls. These do have electricity. The girls have the option to drop off their overnight stuff on Sunday before camp, more details will be sent out with confirmation letters 2 weeks before camp.

7th – 12th Graders (PA/CIT): Overnight Sunday, Monday, Thursday

- PA's/CIT's will sleep in cabins that fit up to 6 girls. These do have electricity. Our PA coordinators will reach out to you prior to camp for placements and cabin requests.

Waterfront Info

Plan to go swimming or boating each day at camp. Swimming and boating are supervised by trained and certified lifeguards. Campers will be required to wear a personal flotation device when on watercrafts and will need to do a swim check before swimming.

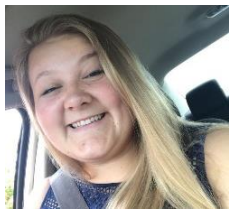
Communication

Our main communication tool is the email that you use to register for camp. Please ensure this email is valid and periodically check for new mail from camp. You will receive various email updates from now until camp. All the required camp information will come 2-3 weeks prior to camp.

We will update our webpage <https://northernlightscamp4.wixsite.com/northern-lights-day> with theme days, menu, and more as we have updates.

If the troop leader is organizing coverage, please send an email to us at northernlightscampdirectors@gmail.com so we are aware so we can follow up with adults registering.

Volunteer Directors



Becca (Muscles) Baumgartner

Career: I work as an ICU nurse with Advocate Aurora.

Fun fact: I played rugby for 4 years in college.

Favorite part of camp: Teaching the girls new skills and watching them grow through the years.



Hannah (VIP) Bentzen

Career: I am an embedded software engineer

Fun fact: I love puzzles, and strategy games.

Favorite part of camp: That the girls can try new activities and learn new skills and that every day is something different. I

**Susan (Thing 2) Schiller**

Career: I am the CFO for Diameters, a grinding company.

Camp Start: I started attending Camp Winding River in the summer of 1999 as a unit volunteer. In the summer of 2002, I volunteered to be a co-director with Susan Wehber. I am also the camp business manager.

Fun fact: I have taken on many volunteer hats in Girl Scouts over the years. I am currently the cookie location manager for the Germantown location and the Treasurer for Northern Lights Service Unit.

Favorite part of camp: I enjoy watching the girls as they arrive for the first time at camp. They are so excited about being there.

Contact Information

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