

# Camp Palos Day Camp Information Packet 2022

Your Summer, Your Story

# Overview/Introduction

We are thrilled that you have decided to send your camper(s) to a fun-filled week of day camp this summer. To ensure that your camper has a fun and safe experience with us, please be sure to read this packet in its entirety as it includes a lot of important information regarding the day camp program.

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Details listed in this packet are subject to change based on the camp program, weather issues, or other outsider factors.

If you have questions, comments, concerns, or want more details on the program your camper has signed up for, please feel free to email <a href="mailto:customercare@girlscoutsgcnwi.org">customercare@girlscoutsgcnwi.org</a>.

## What is Day Camp All About?

Day camp is a wonderful experience and is unique to every camper. This fun-filled weeklong program includes tons of activities and an optional Thursday extended day for Juniors and up. Camp is a place where campers can be themselves, try new things, and make new, lasting, friendships. At Girl Scout day camp we encourage campers to step out of their comfort zone, build their self-confidence, share their ideas, and explore the natural world. As our mission states, we care about building courage, confidence, and character in campers who will make the world a better place. Day camp is just one steppingstone on your camper's road to success. Your camper will return from camp with a smile on their face, memories to cherish, and skills they will use for the rest of their lives. We are so excited that they will be joining us for a week of day camp this summer!

# Camp Palos Address

11736 Will-Cook Road Palos Park, IL 60439

## **Contact Information**

Use this contact information during the summer camp season (6/13-7/29):

- Camp Palos Director: Kary "Kanga" Roorda
- Summer Camp Phone\*: (815) 545-7818
- Summer Camp Email: kroorda@girlscoutsgcnwi.org

\*The summer camp phone number will be answered starting June 1. If you have questions before that, please reach out to the director or call or email our Customer Care team.

- Customer Care Phone: (855) 456-8347
- Customer Care Email: <a href="mailto:customercare@girlscoutsgcnwi.org">customercare@girlscoutsgcnwi.org</a>



# **Directions to Camp Palos**

# Coming from the North:

- Take I-55 South to Route 83 South
- Veer right onto Route 171 Southwest for 1/4 mile
- Turn left onto Bell Road
- Turn left onto McCarthy Road (123rd Street)
- Make a left on Will-Cook Road
- Enter camp to the left

### OR

- Take Route 171 to Route 45 South
- Turn right onto McCarthy Road (123rd Street)
- Turn right onto Will-Cook Road
- Enter Camp to the left

#### OR

- Follow I-88 to I-355 South
- Take the exit for 127th Street on your right
- Make a left onto 127<sup>th</sup> Street
- Turn left onto IL-171 North/Archer Avenue
- Make a right onto McCarthy Road (123<sup>rd</sup> Street)
- Turn left onto Will-Cook Road
- Enter camp to the left







## **Camp Palos Open House**

What is an open house?

When you register for our FREE open house, you will get the opportunity to talk to the Camp Director, explore the camp property, and get your questions answered before camp starts.

Where can I register for an open house? <a href="https://apm.activecommunities.com/girlscoutsgcnwi/Home">https://apm.activecommunities.com/girlscoutsgcnwi/Home</a>

Camp Palos 2022 Open House:

• Sunday, April 24

o Time: 2-5 p.m.

o Registration Code: 5870262

## Follow Us on Social Media

Want more information about camp? Visit our website or find us on Social Media!

- Website: https://www.girlscoutsgcnwi.org/en/camp/summer-camp.html
- Camp Palos Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/DayCampPALOS/">https://www.facebook.com/DayCampPALOS/</a>
- Council Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/GirlScoutsGCNWI/">https://www.facebook.com/GirlScoutsGCNWI/</a>
- Instagram: <a href="https://www.instagram.com/girlscoutsgcnwi/?hl=en">https://www.instagram.com/girlscoutsgcnwi/?hl=en</a>
- Pinterest: <a href="https://www.pinterest.com/gsgcnwi/camp/">https://www.pinterest.com/gsgcnwi/camp/</a>





# Items to Bring to Camp Every Day

Make sure your camper is prepared for camp by making sure to pack these items every day.

M	nportant note: Iake sure to label everything with the amper's first and last name.	Important note: Campers are not allowed to share the following: bug spray, sunscreen, food, hats/bandanas, or masks.
	Backpack -Large enough to carry their personal ite	
	items they've brought home. Reusable Water Bottle	pack daily for any notes, handouts, or camp
	-	the morning to keep your camper hydrated. may contain city water or safe to drink well
	*Tips for success:  ✓ Use flavor packets to help mask to keep your water bottle cold by find before camp.	the taste of well water. reezing half of the water bottle the night
	Sack Lunch	
_	-Refrigeration is not provided at camp. I	ce packs are strongly recommended.
	Rain Gear -Raincoat or poncho. (Please no umbrell	26.)
	Sit-Upon	as.j
	-A Girl Scout tradition that keeps you dry	y when sitting on the ground.
		nper so we encourage small, light-weight
	options over larger, bulkier, varieties.	. ((C) 1 C . (C) 11
	-Learn how to make your own by search referencing our Pinterest page.	ing "Girl Scout Sit-Upon" online or
	Insect Repellent/Sunscreen	
_	-Make sure to apply sunscreen and bug s	spray before leaving home each morning. e throughout the day. (Counselors will help
	-A concentration of less than 20% DEET	is recommended for campers.
	-Non-aerosol containers or disposable w	
	-Campers who forget this at home shoul you (their parent/guardian) and the Heacovered.	d notify their counselor who will work with alth Supervisor to make sure they are
	Bandana/Hat	
	-Pack one or both to help protect from the	ne sun.
	Hair Tie	
	-To hold the hair back safely when cooking archery.	ng around a campfire or participating in

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- -To keep hair off of the neck and out of the way on hot days.
- ☐ Appropriate Apparel
  - -Comfortable, everyday "play" clothes should be worn for daily camp activities.
  - -Socks and sturdy, close-toed shoes must be worn at all times.
  - -A sweatshirt is always encouraged to have in preparation for any cool changes in weather.
  - -An extra pair of socks is also a great idea.
- ☐ Inappropriate Apparel (do not pack)
  - -No tank tops, sandals, flip flops, or other open-toed shoes. (These are not safe for the camp environment.)
  - -Crocs with adventure straps, water shoes, or other close-toed aquatic footwear are only acceptable for water activities that happen during the camp day and should only be worn during the activity.
- ☐ Personal Hand Sanitizer
  - -Optional
  - -For extra hand sanitizing throughout the day.
- ☐ 2-3 Masks Per Day
  - -Reusable or disposable masks are acceptable.
  - -If reusable masks are used, they should be cleaned daily or fresh options should be brought each day.
  - -Masks must be worn over the nose and mouth.
  - -Physically distanced mask breaks will occur throughout the day.

Reference the "Extended Day Packing List" on page 18 for campers participating in this program.





## Daily Breakdown and Reminders

Monday – First Day of Camp!

- We can't wait to see you!
- Make sure your camper's online CampDoc paperwork forms are completed by or before May 1.
  - Links to your camper's paperwork will be sent via CampDoc after you register.
  - o If you do not receive your camper's link, check back the following week as emails from CampDoc are sent out weekly.
- If your camper has any medications, they must be sent in their original, labeled container(s) with the camper's name printed clearly on the outside.
  - After May 1, if any health information has changed, please send updates with your camper on their first day of camp and email kroorda@girlscoutsgcnwi.org.
- Make sure to check your email (and junk folders) for any additional important information before coming to camp.
- Before drop off, make sure your camper knows which program they are registered for (and bus route information if applicable).
- Pack a sack lunch and 2-3 masks to be worn throughout the camp day.
- Don't forget to pack a positive attitude!
- At the end of the day be sure to check your camper's bag and/or your email for any notes or other important information.







## Tuesday – Tie Dye Tuesday!

- Please have your camper bring a white, or other light colored, t-shirt (or other garment) to prepare for tie-dying on Tuesday.
  - $\circ$  100% cotton items absorb the dye the best.
  - Wash new items before dying.
  - o Bring a plastic bag clearly labeled with your camper's name.
- Pack a sack lunch and 2-3 clean masks.
- At the end of the day be sure to check your camper's bag and/or your email for any notes or other important information.
- Instructions for tie dye items:
  - Leave the rubber bands on the t-shirt for 24 hours (take the item out of the bag during this time).
  - o After 24 hours, squeeze the item under cold water until the water runs clear.
  - Remove the rubber bands.
  - Wash and dry the item by itself in cold water. You may have to do this several times before the dye is set otherwise it may stain other clothes.

## Wednesday - Daisy and Brownie Cookout Day!

- Pack 2-3 clean masks.
- Daisy and Brownie units will cookout their lunch this day.
- Junior and Cadette units will need to bring a sack lunch this day.
- Cookout tips and information:
  - Campers will get the opportunity to plan their menu and work collaboratively to cook their lunch.
  - Mess kits and dunk bags are available for purchase through our online shop.
     Please order your mess kit prior to your camper's week.
- Cookout dos and don'ts
  - o D0:
    - Let us know of any allergies, dietary restrictions, and religious restrictions before coming to camp.
    - Send a mess kit (any plastic/metal plate, bowl, cup, and silverware).
    - Send a dunk bag (a "drip dry" type bag with a drawstring).
  - o DON'T:
    - Send extra food. We can accommodate allergies, dietary restrictions, and religious restrictions.
    - Send paper plates or other disposables.
    - Send mess kits in a plastic bag.
- At the end of the day be sure to check your camper's bag and/or your email for any notes or other important information.





## Thursday – Optional Extended Day for Juniors and Up!

- Camp t-shirt will be coming home today.
- Pack a sack lunch and 2-3 clean masks.
- Optional extended day for Juniors and up!
  - Refer to the "Extended Day Packing List" and "Extended Day Important Information Sections on pages 18 and 19 for more information.
  - Older campers staying for the extended day will cook their dinner Thursday evening.
    - Reference the above "cookout tips and information" and "cookout dos and don'ts" bullet points under "Wednesday."
- At the end of the day be sure to check your camper's bag and/or your email for any notes or other important information.

### Friday – Friday Fun Fair/Camp Shirt Day!

- Pack a sack lunch and 2-3 clean masks.
- Don't forget to wear this year's camp t-shirt! (Campers will receive this during their week at camp.)
- Kapers (see pages 10-11 for more information)
- At the end of the day be sure to check your camper's bag and/or your email for any notes or other important information.





## Additional Important Information

#### Absences

Please be sure to call to inform us of your camper's absence at (815) 545-7818. If you need to leave a message, please include the date, your camper's full name, and program.

#### **Cell Phones**

Though we do allow cell phones to be brought to camp, we want campers to truly engage in their camp experience and enjoy their time outdoors with their new camp friends! If a camper has a cell phone at camp, they will be reminded to keep it off and in their backpack. However, if it becomes an issue, it will be collected and locked in the administration building and returned to the camper at the end of the day. You will be contacted by the camp director if there are any additional concerns.

#### Financial Assistance

Financial assistance is available to campers for one camp session fee, per summer, per person. Before applying for financial assistance, you must register your camper for camp and pay the minimum \$25 deposit. You can find the application on our website under the "About GS" header. Click on the "Join" and then "Financial Assistance" sub headers, and finally, click the "Camp" drop down. If your financial aid request is accepted, the aided amount will be removed from your remaining balance for your camp program.

## **Health and Safety**

At Girl Scout camp, we take health and safety very seriously and will do everything in our power to keep campers, staff, and volunteers as safe and healthy as possible. This year we will continue to implement additional health and safety procedures for all staff, campers, and volunteers in regard to COVID-19. This may include additional handwashing, increased cleaning and sanitation of supplies and camp areas, physical distancing, and mask wearing. In addition to these procedures, we will constantly monitor and follow policies informed by the Centers for Disease Control, state and local guidelines, and the American Camp Association. We ask that all campers, staff, and volunteers do a self-assessment each morning before coming to camp and advise to stay home if they, or anyone they've come in contact with, is showing signs and symptoms associated with COVID-19.

#### **Kapers**

Each staff member will model and teach campers the proper way to care for their environment and their camp surroundings through tasks called kapers. Kapers at camp are done as a group and composed of unit and all-camp tasks. Unit kapers include tidying up common areas, gathering firewood, picking up litter, cooking at cookouts, and fire building. Kapers are a Girl Scout tradition that helps build responsibility and teamwork skills. During kapers, the staff assist campers in clean-up, ensuring that health and safety procedures are being followed.

Lost and Found

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Lost, and left-behind, items are collected each day and staff will do their best to reunite owners with their belongings. However, please understand that this is not always possible. Unclaimed items will be brought to our Gathering Places at the end of the season. Please contact us to arrange transport of your items to your closest Gathering Place if needed. Items will be kept until October 1 of the current year and will be donated after that time. Lost masks will not be returned for the health and safety of all.

#### Photos and Video

When filling out your camper paperwork, you have given the Girl Scouts of Greater Chicago and Northwest Indiana permission to take photos and/or videos of your camper(s) while they are at camp. If you would <u>not</u> like to allow Girl Scouts GCNWI to take and use photos and videos of your camper(s), please send an email indicating this at least one week out from your camp program to <u>kroorda@girlscoutsgcnwi.org</u> or send a written note on the first day of camp.

### Pre-Camp COVID-19 Self-Assessment

Before arriving at Girl Scout camp, everyone must complete a COVID-19 self-assessment. This self-assessment includes checking for signs and symptoms associated with COVID-19 including, but not limited to, fever, chills, cough, difficulty breathing or shortness of breath, fatigue, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell, muscle or body aches, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, new confusion, inability to wake or stay awake, bluish lips or face, or any other signs or symptoms associated with COVID-19. If a camper, staff member, volunteer, or anyone they have come into contact with is experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, they must stay home.

#### Severe Weather

Day camp staff monitors the weather. If severe weather develops during the camp day or evening, appropriate measures will be taken. Indoor shelter is available for all campers and staff. Our priority is the safety of all of our campers, so please be advised that staff will not be available to answer phone calls during this time. Phone lines need to remain open in case emergency personnel is needed. Please do <u>not</u> come to camp to pick up your camper, campers will not be released until there is an official "all clear."

## **Trading Post**

Campers will have the opportunity to visit our summer camp trading post. Your camper will have an assigned time to visit the trading post, which will be shared with you before or during your week at camp.

## **Transportation Information**

Transportation applies to all campers including campers who utilize car or bus transportation options for drop-off and pick-up or trip programs.

Transportation procedures at day camp are designed to assure the safety of every camper. Your cooperation in following these procedures is greatly appreciated by both camp staff and the other campers attending camp.

It is important that camp staff knows the transportation plans for every camper.

If there are any changes in transportation they must be made in writing and sent to the director.

We thank you for your patience during transportation processes.



#### **Bus Riders**

This information pertains to any camper that registered to ride the bus to and from camp during the registration process. If you are uncertain if you registered for bus transportation you can check your registration receipt in your account or give our Customer Care team a call and they can check for you.

• Before arriving at your bus stop, everyone must complete a COVID-19 self-assessment. If your camper(s), or anyone they have come into contact with, are experiencing signs or symptoms of COVID-19 they MUST stay home.

- Plan to be at your designated bus stop at least 10 minutes early when you drop off and pick up your camper. Bus drivers are instructed to leave a stop no earlier or later than the time listed on the confirmation.
- <u>Approximate</u> bus times will be emailed to you 1-2 weeks before your camp program. If there are any changes to your bus stop location or cancellations you will also be notified at this time.
  - Please note: bus pick up and drop off times are estimated times of arrival and departure and may not always be 100% accurate due to factors outside of our control. We appreciate your patience during camper pick-up and dropoff.
  - Every attempt is made to stay on schedule. Construction, traffic, weather conditions, or other unforeseen circumstances may affect the schedule. If the bus is more than 15 minutes late, please have <u>one</u> parent/guardian call camp at (815) 545-7818.
- Be sure to verify that the bus is going to Girl Scout Camp Palos, and <u>please remain</u> with your camper until they board the bus.
- Review basic bus rules with your camper:
  - o Always remain seated while the bus is moving.
  - o Keep head, arms, and hands inside the bus at all times.
  - o Use a quiet, respectful, voice when riding the bus.
  - Listen closely for any instructions given while being transported to or from camp.
- If you miss the bus: you may drive your camper to camp and go through car checkin.
- No bus leaves camp at the end of the day until all campers are present and accounted for.
- Be sure to meet your camper when they arrive in the afternoon. The bus will NOT be able to wait for parents/caregivers to arrive after the drop off time listed. This being said, please be at your appropriate pick-up location at least 10 minutes prior to the approximate arrival time listed.

Make sure to check your email (and junk folders) before your camper's week at camp as important bus transportation information will be shared. If you have not received bus stop information within four days of the start of your camper's program, please email <a href="mailto:kroorda@girlscoutsgcnwi.org">kroorda@girlscoutsgcnwi.org</a>.

For older campers (Juniors+) participating in the optional extended day on Thursday, evening bus transportation will be available. Information about Thursday evening bus routes will be shared by email 1-2 weeks before the program alongside daily bus route details. Any evening bus route adjustments will be noted by the Wednesday of the camp week.





## Car Drivers

This information pertains to any camper that will be dropped off and picked up by car.

#### Arrival:

- Before arriving, everyone must complete a COVID-19 self-assessment. If your camper(s), or anyone they have come into contact with, are experiencing signs or symptoms of COVID-19 they MUST stay home.
- Enter camp through the main gate marked with a "Camp Palos" sign out front.
- Check-in will <u>not</u> start until 9 a.m.
- If you arrive before the gate opens:
  - o Do not idle or park outside of the gate.
  - o You are welcome to wait on the shoulder of Will-Cook Road.
  - Please be respectful of those that live in the area while waiting for camper pick-up or drop-off.
- DO not come onto camp property until instructed to do so. It is important to leave the camp road open.
- Please note that the Camp Palos road is a <u>one-way</u> path flowing counter-clockwise and the speed limit is 5 mph.
- Drive carefully and attentively as campers, staff, and volunteers may be walking through camp.
- Parking on camp is reserved for staff and volunteers only.
- Once your camper has been dropped off, please continue driving on the same road to exit camp as directed.
- During check-in:
  - o Please stay in your car.
  - Everyone above the age of 2 years old in the car is asked to wear a face covering over their nose and mouth.

- A staff member will come to your vehicle to check your camper in and get them to their unit safely.
- Only campers attending a program that week may exit the vehicle after they have been checked in.
- A daily health prescreening will be collected.
- Thank you for your patience.

#### Departure:

- This process may take longer on the first day. Every effort is made to ensure campers leave as quickly and efficiently as possible. We thank you for your patience.
- Check-out will <u>not</u> start until 3:00 p.m.
- If you arrive before the gate opens:
  - o Do <u>not</u> idle or park outside of the gate.
  - You are welcome to wait on the shoulder of Will-Cook Road.
  - Please be respectful of those that live in the area while waiting for camper pick-up or drop-off.
- During checking-out:
  - o Please stay in your car.
  - Everyone above the age of 2 years old in the car is asked to wear a face covering over their nose and mouth.
  - The camp gate will be opened to let the buses in first.
  - Cars will then be allowed to line up behind the buses. Please wait on the shoulder until you are given the appropriate signal.
  - o Once buses have departed, you will be directed to the pick-up area.
  - o A staff member will come to your vehicle and ask who you are picking up.
  - You will be asked to show a photo ID. No camper will be released if a photo ID is not presented.
  - We will be utilizing the "Transportation Release Form" that you filled out when completing your camper paperwork in CampDoc.
    - Make sure to include anyone that will be allowed to pick up your camper from camp on this document <u>including parents and guardians</u>.
    - Campers will <u>not</u> be released to anyone not listed on their "Transportation Release Form."

## Before-Camp and After-Camp Care

This information pertains to any camper that has registered for the "Before-Camp and After-Camp Program." If you are uncertain if you registered for the before and after camp program you can check your registration receipt in your account or give our Customer Care team a call and they can check for you.

- Pick-up and drop-off for the "Before-Camp and After-Camp Program" will take place at Troop House.
- Drop-off will be between 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m.
  - o If you arrive at or after 8:30 a.m., please drop-off in the regular line.
- Pick-up will be between 3:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.
  - o If you arrive before 3:30 p.m., please pick-up in the regular line.
- Camp will provide a morning and late afternoon snack as part of this program.
- Please indicate on your online forms the approximate time you will be dropping off and picking up your camper.
- Park outside of Troop House and wait for someone to come out and assist you with the check-in or check-out process. After a few minutes, if no one has come out please call the camp number.
- Please stay in your car unless you are instructed otherwise.
- You must provide a photo ID and be listed on the "Transportation Release Form" for each camper you are picking up or dropping off.

# Late Arrival, Early Dismissal, and Item Drop Off

If you need to drop a camper off late, pick them up early, or drop off any forgotten items, please reference the information below.

Please let camp know as soon as possible of any late arrivals or early dismissals by emailing <a href="mailto:kroorda@girlscoutsgcnwi.org">kroorda@girlscoutsgcnwi.org</a> or calling the camp phone at (815) 545-7818.

Every effort is made to ensure campers leave as quickly and efficiently as possible. To maintain a safe and positive day camp experience, we ask that every effort be made to schedule non-camp activities during non-camp hours. If there is an essential activity that is unavoidable and will require a late arrival or early departure, you must notify the director, in writing, on Monday of the camp week. We can accommodate these as long as we are aware of them.

#### Late Arrivals:

- Must arrive between 9:20 a.m. and 2 p.m. at Troop House
- Please let us know that your camper will be arriving late as soon as possible by emailing or calling us with the following information:
  - Date and time of late arrival.
  - o Camper's name.
  - o Program unit name.

#### Early Dismissals:

- Must leave between 9:20 a.m. and 2 p.m. from Troop House.
- In addition to emailing prior, please send your camper with a written note the day your camper needs to leave early including the following information:
  - o Date and time of early dismissal.
  - o Camper's name.
  - o Program unit name.

## **Dropping Off Forgotten Items:**

- Must be dropped off between 9:20 a.m. and 2 p.m. at Troop House.
- Park outside Troop House and wait for someone to assist you.
- After a few minutes, if nobody has come to assist you call the camp phone at (815) 545-7818.
- Please stay in your car.
- Make sure all items are labeled with the camper's first and last name along with their program unit name.

Do NOT walk onto camp if your camper forgot an item or needs to be picked up early or dropped off late. Talk to the director or appropriate camp staff or call the camp phone at (815) 545-7818 and we will send someone to help you.









# **Extended Day Packing List**

Campers (Juniors+) who choose to participate in the extended day program will have the opportunity to experience evening activities such as cooking dinner over a fire, singing around a campfire, joining in on unique programming, and spending more time at camp.

<ul> <li>□ Flashlight (with New Batteries)         <ul> <li>Campers will be walking around camp in the evening and early night. A handher flashlight or headlamp will help them get around safely in low light.</li> <li>□ Mess Kit</li></ul></li></ul>		
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-A lingerie washing bag works well.		
-Please do not send closed bags such as grocery bags or large Ziplock bags as		
these do not allow dishes to dry.		
□ Sweatshirt or Light Jacket and Long Pants		
-Warm clothes are recommended as the sun sets and the temperature starts to		
drop in the evening.		
Evening Medications		
-Any medications that your camper may need during the extended day (3:00 p.r.		
to 8:00 p.m.)All medications <u>must be</u> in their original labeled container and marked wi		
camper's name.		
-Medications must be turned in to the unit leader upon arrival at camp for the		
extended day.		
□ Day Camp Supplies		
-Sit-upon, bug spray, sunscreen, water bottle, hat/bandana, etc. (See "Items to		
Bring to Camp Every Day" section above for more details.)		
□ 1-2 Additional Clean Masks		
-A longer day calls for additional masks that can be changed out after eating or		
evening activities.		

## Extended Day Important Information

Some additional information for campers (Juniors+) who choose to participate in the extended day program.

The extended day program will end at 8:00 p.m.

#### Car Riders:

- Car riders should follow the same pick-up process in the evening as they do each day.
- Check-out will begin at 8:00 p.m.

#### **Bus Riders:**

- Evening bus transportation will be offered for campers who ride the bus throughout the week.
- Information about evening bus routes will be emailed 1-2 weeks before the camp program alongside daily bus route details.
- Any adjustments that may need to be made to evening bus routes will be shared by the Wednesday of the camp week.
- Families that have registered for bus transportation may choose to pick up their camper from camp by car Thursday evening instead of taking evening bus transportation.
- If your camper is changing transportation options for the Thursday extended day, we ask that families email <a href="mailto:kroorda@girlscoutsgcnwi.org">kroorda@girlscoutsgcnwi.org</a> and send a written note at the beginning of the program week.

# **Trip Programs Important Information**

Trip programs are indicated with the map icon in the 2022 Summer Camp Guide.

Campers who have registered for a trip program will receive detailed information about their trip prior to the camp program. This will include additional items campers will need to bring or pack and an outline of the trips scheduled for the program.

If any changes need to occur, you will receive an updated email 1-2 weeks prior to the start of the program with any changes.









## Day Camp and COVID-19

Our camps and properties follow standards and practices as set forth by the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A., the American Camp Association, and state and local health codes and authorities. Camp operations for 2022 will also follow additional recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

With your help, patience, and understanding we have no doubt that we can provide a safe and fun summer for your camper(s). For additional information on what we are doing regarding the COVID-19 pandemic refer to the GSGCNWI Summer Camp 2022 and COVID-19 Resource that will be linked on our website starting in April. This document is subject to change and may be updated multiple times in the coming months.

Here is a snapshot of some of the strategies and processes that we plan to implement for summer 2022 (subject to change):

- Physical distancing
- Utilizing outdoor spaces
- Additional cleaning and sanitizing processes
- Increased hand washing and sanitizing
- Masking





# Being a Registered Girl Scout and Girl Scout Insurance

Though campers do not have to actively participate in Girl Scouting year-round, every camper attending a Girl Scouts of Greater Chicago and Northwest Indiana camp program must be, or become, a registered Girl Scout.

Every registered Girl Scout and registered adult member in the Girl Scout movement is automatically covered under the basic insurance plan upon registration. The entire premium cost for this protection is borne by Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. The basic plan is effective during the regular fiscal year (October to October). Up to 14 months of insurance coverage is provided for new members who register in the month of August.

This insurance provides up to a specified maximum for medical expenses incurred as a result of an accident while a member is participating in an approved, supervised Girl Scout activity, after the individual's primary insurance pays out. This is one reason that all adults and participants should be registered members. Non-registered parents, tagalongs (brothers, sisters, cousins, friends, etc.), and other persons are not covered by basic coverage.

This insurance coverage is not intended to diminish the need for, or replace, family health insurance. When the designated amount in benefits has been paid for covered accident, medical, or dental expense, any subsequent benefits will be payable only for expenses incurred that aren't compensable under another insurance policy. If there is no family insurance or healthcare program, a specified maximum of medical benefits is available.





# **Camp Palos Map**

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# Camp Palos Site Map

