



South Shore/Wise Girls Day Camp
Bay View, Cudahy, St. Francis, West Allis-West Milwaukee,
and Milwaukee South Side Communities

June 24-June 28, 2024

9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Silver Brook, West Bend

Day Camp: Let's Play!

At South Shore/Wise Girls Day Camp, a world of fun and adventure awaits! Nestled in the heart of nature, this week-long day camp is designed to ignite the spirit of exploration, creativity, and camaraderie. Each day is a new opportunity to embrace the great outdoors and make lasting memories. Programmed activities are as diverse as the girls themselves, ranging from archery and swimming to learning about local wildlife and ecosystems. But it's not all about adventure and learning; we also emphasize the importance of friendship and unity. South Shore/Wise Girls Day Camp is a magical world where every girl can explore, grow, and discover the incredible power of play.

Fees

Nov. 15- Dec. 20: 2023 pricing \$160

Dec. 21-March 1: early registration pricing \$170

March 2- May 1: 2024 pricing \$195

PA and CIT: no fee

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

Overnights/late evenings: \$20/day

Adult volunteers: GS registered membership at gswise.org

Online Registration Instructions

**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+. 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	<i>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.</i>
3-5 weeks before camp session start date	<i>Cancellations can be transferred to another camp/session. A refund for the amount paid minus the deposit is only allowed in the following circumstances:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● <i>Medical reasons</i>● <i>Mandatory summer school</i>● <i>A death or critical illness (immediate family)</i>● <i>Family moves out of the area</i>
Less than 3 weeks prior to the camp session start date	<i>No refund except for the following circumstances:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● <i>Medical reasons</i>● <i>Mandatory summer school</i>● <i>A death or critical illness (immediate</i>

	<i>family)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Family moves out of the area</i>
Camp session is full or canceled by the council	<i>Full refunds will be issued, including camp deposit. Allow two weeks for refund processing and receipt.</i>

Adult Volunteer Details

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 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

You are required to input your camper's transportation information in your camper's registration.

St. Veronica's (Bay View) Bus Stop Information
353 E Norwich Street, Milwaukee (Parking Lot)

Morning drop-off will begin at **7:45 a.m.** The buses will depart for camp at **8:00 am** promptly. Buses will return at **5:00 p.m.** If buses are running behind schedule due to traffic, parents/guardians will be notified via text message/phone call. **All adults must present a photo ID at camper pick-up.**

St. Mathias Bus Stop Information
9306 Beloit Road, Milwaukee (Parking Lot)

Morning drop-off will begin at **8:00 a.m.** The buses will depart for camp at **8:15 am** promptly. Buses will return at **4:45 p.m.** If buses are running behind schedule due to traffic, parents/guardians will be notified via text message/phone call. **All adults must present a photo ID at camper pick-up.**

Car Riders: Cars should park at Northstar. Campers and volunteers should sign in before walking into camp. Car riders will be dismissed from camp after all buses have been loaded. Before leaving, campers and volunteers who are riding in cars must sign out for the day. **All adults must present a photo ID at camper pick-up.**

Early Pick Up/Late Drop Off

***Camp Silver Brook:** Please wait at the gate and call on the keypad to check in with the health supervisor. The health supervisor will transport your camper to you.*

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

Health Supervisor Contacts

Camp Silver Brook

(262) 900-4652

Chinook Program Center

(262) 424-3021

Camp Alice Chester

(262) 212-8559

Trefoil Oaks Program Center

(262) 349-7550

Packing List

Please have campers dress for the weather.

- Morning Snack (no nuts or peanut butter)
- Lunch (no nuts or peanut butter)
- Backpack
- Swimsuit
- Towel
- Plastic bag for wet swimsuit
- Non-aerosol sunscreen
- Non-aerosol bug spray
- Hat
- Water Bottle
- Sweatshirt

- Water Shoes

Campers should wear tennis shoes/closed-toe shoes and socks. Flip flops/sandals are not permitted at camp.

Overnight campers only (on the day of the overnight):

- All items listed above including an extra lunch and snack for the following day.
- Sleeping bag and pillow. You can substitute sheets and blankets for the sleeping bag. In hot weather, a sheet might be nice in place of the sleeping bag being zipped. Please also bring a twin-size fitted sheet in addition to a sleeping bag/blanket.
- Clothes for the following day
- Pajamas
- Flashlight
- Medications

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, prescriptions, and non-prescriptions must be given to the health supervisor in the morning. All medications must come to camp in its pharmacy bottle with the camper's name, name of the medication, and current dosage clearly written on the bottle. Without this information, the medication will not be accepted. All medications should be indicated on the camper's registration on the medication administration form on CampMinder. Please make sure all non-prescription medication is in its original container. **Campers cannot keep medications in their belongings while at camp, except for EpiPens and inhalers.***

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

Sunday, June 23rd Overnight (Grades 7th-12th only), drop of at Camp Silver Brook at 3:00 pm

*Required camp set up day for all PAs and CITs

Tuesday, June 25th Overnight (Grades 7th-12th only)

Waterfront Info

For camps with waterfronts/going to a site with waterfront: 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

More information about camp, including unit and bus assignments, will be sent via email in late May/early June 2024.

Volunteer Directors



Jessica "Mama Mongoose" Borkowski, volunteer

Number of Years at Camp: This is my 8 year as Camp Director

Career: Principal and St. Margaret Mary Catholic School

My camp start: My first time at Girl Scout camp was with my daughter at My Gal and Me. Previously, I worked for many years at the YMCA day camps.

Fun fact: I am a big fan of Harry Potter. I am still waiting for my letter from Hogwarts!

Favorite part of camp: My favorite part of camp is the look kids from the city get the first time they come to camp. Many of them rarely leave the city or have never been to camp before. It is a wonderful feeling to share the great outdoors with the girls.

Contact Information

Volunteer Day Camp Director: Jessica "Mama Mongoose" Borkowski

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