

# GSSEF SUMMER CAMP INFORMATION:

## REGISTRATION

Registration is now open! Registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. The registration deadline for our 5 summer resident camp sessions is May 3, 2010. Registration for all other programs closes 14 days prior to the first date of each program or when it fills to capacity.

Please follow grade level distinctions for each program and register your girl based on the grade she will be entering for the school year beginning Fall 2010. Programs are designed for specific grade levels and in the spirit of Girl Scout progression for outdoor experiences.

Confirmation packets will be mailed no later than 21 days prior to the first date of each session (excluding Campfires, which receive email confirmation). Packets have all health forms (which are also available at [www.gssef.org](http://www.gssef.org)), directions, pick-up /drop-off information, communication procedures for families, packing lists and much more.

## FEES

### First-Time Resident Camper Discount

We think all girls should have the opportunity to go camping! We want more new girls to attend resident camp for the first time this summer, so we are offering a special discounted price for any girl member who has never before attended summer resident camp in the Legacy Broward County Council, Legacy Palm Glades Council or GSSEF in 2009. She will receive \$50 OFF any one session of summer resident camp in 2010. "Camper-Orientation" will be held at Camp Nocatee on Saturday, May 22 from 10 a.m.–12 p.m. (for Sessions 4 and 5) and at Camp Welaka on Sunday, May 23 from 2–4 p.m. (for Sessions 1, 2 and 3). Attendance is required to utilize the "First Time Camper" discount.

### Early-Registration Discount

All registrations received by January 15, 2010, with full payment, will receive \$25 OFF any one session of summer resident camp in 2010. Yes! You may combine these 2 offers! If you are a first-time camper who registers/pays in full by January 15, you may take \$75 OFF any one session of summer resident camp in 2010. NOTE: deposits will not "hold" this discount; registrations must be paid in full.

### CIT and CIT II

Our summer resident camp programs offer opportunities for older girls (age 16 by June 1, 2010) with applicable pre-requisites completed, to participant as a CIT (Counselor in Training) and CIT II. We offer a comprehensive training and exciting leadership experience for interested and qualified girls. All CIT and CIT II applicants are required to attend one on-site training session on: December 18-20, 2009 or April 23-25, 2010. Applications are available on our website: [www.gssef.org](http://www.gssef.org) under "Documents and Forms" and "Summer Camp Forms." Girls selected for the CIT and CIT II program are required to attend either Session 1 and 2 (Welaka) or Session 4 and 5 (Nocatee) and will pay a reduced fee of \$250.00 for the set of two sessions. Maximum for this program is 16 girls total.



## PAYMENT

Payments may be paid by cash (in-person, do not mail cash), check or by credit card (American Express, MasterCard, Discover and Visa). Checks should be made payable to: Girl Scouts of Southeast Florida (or GSSEF). Registration is available online with credit card payment, at: [www.gssef.org](http://www.gssef.org). Registrations will not be accepted without payment/deposit. All program fees must be paid in full when registering, with the exception of summer resident camp. For the five resident camp sessions, a non-refundable deposit of \$100 is required by May 3, 2010, for each session. The balance for resident camp sessions is due 21 days prior to the first date of the session.

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Financial Assistance is available for all Girl Scout council-sponsored programs, including all the sessions published in this brochure. The amount of assistance is based on family need and is meant to supplement family resources. An application form is available on our website: [www.gssef.org](http://www.gssef.org) under the heading "Financial Assistance." Complete and submit it with this summer program application. Please allow 4 weeks for Financial Aid processing, prior to specific program deadlines. NOTE: The First-Time Resident Camper Discount may be combined with Financial Assistance, but the Early-Registration Discount may not.

## TRANSPORTATION

Girls/families will be responsible for their own transportation for all GSSEF summer camp programs. This includes transportation for all five summer resident sessions at Camp Nocatee and Camp Welaka. Summer Resident Camp check-in and check-out times will be "time-tiered" by unit, within a 1–2 hour timeframe. Directions and detailed arrival/departure information and procedures will be included in the confirmation materials for all programs.

## PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES



GSSEF designs summer camp programs to be as diverse, interesting and well-rounded as the girls we serve. We are committed to allowing girls the opportunity to shape their summer experiences, and therefore activities and programs are subject to change. All summer camp programs have pre-planned alternate activities for weather-related interruptions. For multi-grade level groups (such as summer resident camp), programs and activities are designed in more than one format to be compatible with the abilities of girls in different grades. Girls will be assigned to their units based upon grade level. Girls earning requirements for Try-Its, badges and IPPs will receive written notification at the close of each session. These patches are not included in the session price. All patches are available in our two Council Shops. For more information about specific programs, contact Emily Zarzycki at 561-427-0183 or [ezarzycki@gssef.org](mailto:ezarzycki@gssef.org).

## HEALTH & SAFETY

The health and safety of our campers is our highest priority. GSSEF employs a full-time, on-site Healthcare Director for resident camp sessions who works in tandem with our on-call physician, and is prepared for any level of health concern. All meals for resident and weekend camp sessions are planned and approved by a licensed dietician and we are able to meet the needs of special diets. Details for you to tell us about your child's medication, specialty food requests, physical/mobility considerations and any other health concerns is included in your confirmation packet.

Summer resident campers are required to submit documentation of a physical examination (by a licensed physician) dated within 24 months prior to the first date of the program. The form for the exam will be included with confirmation materials. These forms are available at on our website: [www.gssef.org](http://www.gssef.org) under "Documents and Forms" and "Summer Camp Forms."

## CANCELLATION & REFUNDS

All programs are subject to cancellation 14 days in advance of the program if attendance does not meet program requirements. The "Adult Responsible" on the registration form will be contacted if the program/camp is cancelled. GSSEF policy states that refunds are only given if the Council (GSSEF) is unable to provide the scheduled program. Refunds shall be granted in the cases of extreme and documented illness or injury, which would preclude a girl's participation. Deposits for summer resident camp are non-refundable unless the program is cancelled.

## NON-GIRL SCOUTS

Our summer programs are available to all girls! If your daughter would like to bring a non-Girl Scout friend to one of our programs, there will be an additional \$12 fee for membership registration (2009-2010). Registration forms and payment must be submitted together with the Summer Camp Registration Form.

## SUMMER CAMP STAFF

GSSEF is accepting applications for Summer Resident Camp Staff who are available to work for an 8-week time period (which includes on-site training): June 5–August 1. Job descriptions and Staff Employment Applications may be found at [www.gssef.org](http://www.gssef.org) under "Documents and Forms" and "Summer Camp Forms." Applicants may be male or female, and over age 18. Phone and in-person interviews will be conducted.

