



Camp Brandenburg

2019 My First Sleepaway- Girl vs. Wild
Camp Information Packet

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PLEASE READ THE ENTIRE PACKET.

ALL forms must be completed in CampDoc before she comes to camp.

Welcome Girl Scout Families!

We are so excited for your first visit to Sleepaway Camp at Camp Brandenburg this summer! My First Sleepaway is a program designed just for Girl Scout Daisies, Brownies, and Juniors to experience resident camp while remaining close to home. This packet will help you and your child plan for your upcoming adventure at Camp Brandenburg, so please read it thoroughly.

Let us know if you have any questions about My First Sleepaway by connecting with us! We are just a short phone call or email away and always happy to get you, and your child energized and excited for camp.

Thank you for choosing to share your first resident camp experience with us!

Happy camping!



Marci Henderson, CEO
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Who to Contact with Questions about Camp

Badgerland Customer Care Team
800.236.2710
info@gsbadgerland.org

Safety at Camp

At Camp Brandenburg, safety is our number one priority. Camp Staff completes a 10-day training. All staff are certified in a minimum of First Aid, CPR and automated external defibrillators (AED). Camp Brandenburg is equipped with an AED, first-aid supplies and over-the-counter medications.

For the safety of all campers, campers below the age of 12 must be with an adult at all times. Campers should not be left 1-on-1 with any adult they are not related to/attending camp with. During adult/child camp programs, adults are expected to attend all activities and meals with their camper.

For the safety and health of all campers, we do not allow smoking anywhere on camp property. If you need to smoke, ensure your camper is supervised properly and then travel off camp property to Brandenburg Road. Alcohol, illegal drugs, and weapons are expressly forbidden.

Emergency Contact Information

The best way to reach us or have others reach you in an emergency back at home is to call the Girl Scout office in Madison at 1.800.236.2710. If you are calling after office hours, the phone message will relay details about how to reach executive staff on-call.

Health Information

Health Forms

All health information and other background forms are completed through the online system, [CampDoc.com](https://campdoc.com). All girl participants must complete the information provided online through [CampDoc](https://campdoc.com).

CampDoc.com

Adults are responsible for submitting a health profile on [CampDoc](https://campdoc.com) for each girl attending My First Sleepaway.

Visit [CampDoc.com](https://campdoc.com) for more details on their system and security measures.

IMPORTANT

You should have already received a “Welcome Email” with information about how to complete your camper’s health information and other forms.

- Click the link in the email to set the password for your CampDoc.com account.
- Follow the instructions and complete or update the information for your camper. Alerts will appear for any missing required information.
- Download and upload any required documents to your CampDoc.com account.
- Return to CampDoc.com at any time to make changes/updates to your camper’s health information before camp begins.

TIP: Set register@campdoc.com as a ‘safe sender,’ to avoid accidental delivery to junk and spam folders.

Physical Exams

A physical exam is not required for My First Sleepaway Camp.

Medications

- All medications brought to camp, prescription and over-the-counter, must be listed in [CampDoc.com](https://campdoc.com)
- All medications for girls are given to the Camp Staff on site during check-in and dispensed by the certified First Aider during the camp session. Asthma rescue inhalers and epi-pens may be kept with girls at all times. Please notify staff at check-in if your girl will be keeping her rescue inhaler or epi-pen on her person.
- ALL medications must be in their original containers and must be labeled with the pharmacist’s label, showing the camper’s name and directions for use. This includes vitamins and over-the-counter medications. Without this, the medication cannot be legally given to campers.
- Camp Brandenburg’s two units, Hilltop and Hawk’s Nest, have first aid supplies as well as over-the-counter medications, Children’s Tylenol, Ibuprofen, Benadryl, Tums and Pepto-Bismol. We recommend you do not bring over-the-counter medications since we will have them available.

Girl Scout Insurance

All campers are covered by additional Girl Scout health and accident insurance. This insurance is a *supplemental* plan to the parents’ insurance. Cost is included in the camp fee.

Schedule for My First Sleepaway Camp

This is a sample schedule that will be adjusted depending upon weather and other camp scheduling needs.

Day 1 Schedule

5:00pm	Girls and their adults arrive at camp and move in to Hilltop/Hawk's Nest units
5:15pm	Girl/adult dinner: Trading Post open until 7
6:00pm	Themed Girl/adult activity
6:45pm	Adults depart and girls hold a Flag Ceremony
7:00pm	Evening campfire and s'mores
8:00pm	Get ready for bed

Day 2 Schedule

7:15am	Wake up
7:45am	Flag Ceremony
8:00am	Breakfast
8:45am	Clean up and pack up
10:00am	Themed Girl activity
11:45am	Lunch
12:30pm	Adults arrive for pick-up/Show & Tell
1:00pm	Departure

Flag Ceremony

Campers may get the chance to be part of the color guard in our morning or evening flag ceremony. Up to 6 girls can participate at each ceremony.

Sleeping Units at Camp Brandenburg

Lodging at Camp Brandenburg is available at either Hilltop Lodge or Hawk's Nest Troop House. Girls will be placed in the unit that best suits both the program enrollment and any buddy requests you made during through [CampDoc](#). All units have lights, fans, electrical outlets and bunk beds.

Camp Food

All camp meals will be served in Hilltop Lodge or Hawks Nest. The girl/adult dinner will be served buffet style and girls/adults will be encouraged to take a plate and enjoy their meals on the patio or alongside the campfire. Breakfast and lunch on the second day of camp will be served family style. There is a set menu for each meal offering balanced choices with a vegetarian option. We are experienced at accommodating a variety of special food needs in an inclusive way. If you or your camper has specific food restrictions or allergies, please note that in the [CampDoc profile](#). This will help us prepare appropriate meal options for everyone at camp.

Please do not bring snacks or candy into sleeping units or pack them into your girl's belongings. Snacks and candy attract wildlife. Our staff will provide snacks throughout the camp day.

Packing List

Camp Brandenburg has a unique structure as it is set into a beautiful hillside. At different times of day, temperatures and weather may vary. Plan to have your child dress in layers and pack according to the weather. Check the weather prior to packing to see if anything else is needed as activities will go on rain or shine.

Girl Scouts of Wisconsin—Badgerland Council takes no responsibility for lost or damaged items or valuables. All campers are encouraged to leave valuables (MP3 players, jewelry, smart phones, tablets, etc) at home.

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CLOTHING

- Shorts
- Jeans or long pants
- T-shirts
- Long-sleeved shirts
- Sweatshirts/fleece
- Pajamas
- Hat or bandana
- Socks
- Undergarments
- Rain jacket or poncho
- 1 pair of close-toed shoes (athletic shoes or hiking boots)
- Knit hat and gloves (for cool mornings)
- Rain boots (great for damp grass in the morning!)

- Cell phones/smart phones
- iPod/MP3 player
- Candy or food ([page 5](#))
- Personal items, such as jewelry
- Pets
- Weapons of any type

PERSONAL CARE

- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Brush or comb
- Sunscreen
- Lip balm
- Mosquito repellent (non-aerosol only)
- Face washcloth

GEAR

- Sleeping bag or bed roll with blankets/sheets
- Pillow and pillow case
- Flashlight or headlamp with extra batteries
- Water bottle
- Medication/vitamins (turn into staff at check-in)

OPTIONAL ITEMS TO PACK

- Digital camera (no smartphone please)
- Sit-upon for campfire time
- Stuffed animal/doll/blanket
- Book

DO NOT SEND THESE ITEMS

Directions to Camp Brandenburg - Hilltop

Camp Brandenburg
6258 Brandenburg Rd.
Dane, WI 53529
608.849.7381

GPS can be unreliable in some areas. Please print a copy of these or other door-to-door directions to ensure you arrive on-time as planned.

There are other routes to Camp Brandenburg. This route provides the simplest set of directions.

From the Madison Area

- Take Hwy-12 N out of Middleton (approximately 9 miles, 1 mile past Hwy-19 W) to Collins Ridge Rd.
- Turn LEFT onto Collins Ridge Rd. and travel 0.1 mile to Brandenburg Rd.
- Turn LEFT onto Brandenburg Rd.
- Hawk's Next is the first driveway on the right before the gated Camp Brandenburg entrance which is marked with the Camp Brandenburg sign. It is a ranch-style home with a large red barn in the yard. There will be flags marking the entrance.

From the Baraboo Area

Property is 33 miles from I-90.

- Follow Hwy-12 S from Sauk City
- Take the SECOND RIGHT onto Collins Ridge Rd. (Hwy-12 has two intersections with Collins Ridge Rd., make right turn at second intersection)
- Turn LEFT onto Brandenburg Rd.
- Hawk's Next is the first driveway on the right before the gated Camp Brandenburg entrance which is marked with the Camp Brandenburg sign. It is a ranch-style home with a large red barn in the yard. There will be flags marking the entrance.

Watch for our flutter Girl Scout flags!

CAMP TRADING POST!

5-7 on check-in night

Plan to shop the pop-up Trading Post with your camper. We'll have tons of goodies there when you get checked-in including camp t-shirts, emoji pillows (last summer's favorite thing!), fun patches, books and all kinds of Girl Scout bling. Prices at the Trading Post range \$1-20.

