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Explore. Grow. Adventure!

Sandy Ridge 2026

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Girl Scouts of Eastern South Carolina serves girls and adults in 21 counties: Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, Beaufort, Berkeley, Calhoun, Charleston, Chesterfield, Clarendon, Colleton, Darlington, Dillon, Dorchester, Florence, Georgetown, Horry, Lee, Marion, Marlboro, Orangeburg and Williamsburg. These 21 counties are divided into Service Areas to serve our membership and community.

Girl Scouts of Eastern South Carolina offers girls the opportunity to enjoy fun, life-changing experiences they might not otherwise have. They are encouraged to stretch their limits and gain courage and confidence in an all-girl, girl led supportive environment. Their experiences can be anything from day camp, resident camp in the summer, building business skills while selling cookies, learning horseback riding, cooking and traveling. Last year top cookie sellers went on a 7-day cruise, a 5-day crusie, and attended a showing of the Lion King on Broadway! Girl Scouts builds girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place.

Girl Scouts range in age from K5 to Grade 12. They have experiences that are grade level and age appropriate that are both educational and fun.
In Girl Scouts, girls discover the fun, friendship and power of girls together. Through the many enriching experiences provided by Girl Scouting, they grow courageous and strong.
Key Goals of Girl Scouting:
Developing Self-Potential
Relating to Others
Developing Values
Contributing to Society

You can learn more about our Girl Scouts, our council and the events they are involved in by visiting the website, www.gsesc.org and www.Facebook.com/GirlScoutsESC.

Welcome to Sandy Ridge!



Meet Racky, Sandy Ridge's camp Mascot!

Welcome to Camp Sandy Ridge—where your summer adventure begins!

Get ready for an unforgettable week filled with laughter, excitement, and nonstop fun. Every camper dives into our awesome core activities: create tasty outdoor treats, light up the night with campfires, compete on the sports field, and sharpen your skills with archery, tomahawk throwing, and slingshots. Feeling bold? Try out paintball for a burst of adrenaline!

When it's time to cool down, head to our beach, jump into the pool, bounce around on our inflatable water course, or paddle across the lake in a boat. Feeling creative? Arts and crafts are always buzzing with color and imagination. And don't forget to visit our Trading Post for souvenirs and goodies!

That's just the beginning! Each specialty camp you join comes with its own exclusive adventures—tailored just for your interests. Plus, with our girl-led program, you and your friends help shape the week by choosing extra activities that YOU want to do.

So whether you're wild about the outdoors, ready to get messy with paint and glue, or pumped for high-energy games and challenges, Camp Sandy Ridge has something perfect for you.

Let's make this your best summer ever—starting now!
Chuck



Sandy Ridge
Camp Director,
Chuck Iler
Aka: Squirrel

Sandy Ridge Camp Information:

Registration will open on October 1st at noon. No deposit will be due at this time. The first payment will need to be paid by February 1st unless you elect a payment plan in the Active during registation. Any registrations with no deposits or 1st payment not made by February 1st will be deleted from the system.

Early Bird Discount

The early bird gets the worm! Early bird registration will begin on October 1st at noon through October 31st at 11:59pm. Registration at this time will save $50 off each camp session(s). You can pay the remaining camp fee at a later date.
This discount does not apply to Troop Adventure Camp or Weekend Camps.

Registration for Summer Resident Camp

Sandy Ridge will utilize the Active Network for online summer resident camp registration!

How to Register:

·Go to www.girlscoutsesc.org
·Click on "Camp"
·Follow the step by step direction to register on Active Network. (write down your User Name and Password)
·If you have a problem, try a different Internet browser.
·If you have an issue during the registration process or do not wish to register online (paper registration), please contact Chuck Iler at ciler@girlscoutsesc.org or 843-479-6814.

Free Cookie Camp Recipients

Girls who sold 1300+ boxes of cookies will earn a free camp session, valued at $450.

- Please use this code when checking out: Cookie2026.
- If you have a 2nd Girl Scout who earned camp as a reward please use this code: Cookiecamp26.
- If you have a third Girl Scout who earned camp as a reward please reach out to Chuck Iler.
- Girl Scouts who earned camp as a reward at the 3200+ level may use this code during checkout: 3200club

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Deposits and Payment of Balance

A $50/$100 non-refundable deposit is required for all resident camp registration due February 1, 2026. The deposit amount is $50 for on property camp sessions and $100 for Travel Trips or Horse Camps. Deposits are applied to the camp session. The balance of camp fees are due two weeks prior to arrival at Sandy Ridge for all camps. Payments can be made in multiple installments or by a payment plan using Active Network online registration system.

Cancellation and Refund

If we have a lack of registrations, a session may be combined with another group or be cancelled. Please note that a session may be cancelled within two weeks of its start date. If your camper's session is cancelled we will do our best to accommodate your camper in another session. Camp sessions are held regardless of weather. If a camper cancels, refunds will be issued, less the required non-refundable deposit.

Cancellations will need to be made in writing 30 days prior to June 1st , 2026 to receive a refund.

No refund of camp payment or deposits will be given after June 1, 2026.

There will be no refunds for early departure, whether for personal reasons or a natural disaster.

Financial Aid

Financial Aid is available to supplement the payment of camp fees. It is only available to current registered members of Girl Scouts of Eastern South Carolina and is awarded based on the need of the girl and availability of funds. Campers must be registered for summer resident camp and the required non refundable deposit must be paid before submitting a Financial Aid application. Applications must be received on or before April 15, 2026 for consideration. This form can be found at www.girlscoutsesc.org under Camp. Notification of the awarding of funds will be on or before May 1, 2026.

Financial Aid is not available for Troop Adventure Camp or Weekend Camps.

Current-Sea

Girl Scouts may apply their Current-Sea earned during the 2026 Cookie Program, for camp session deposits, camp session payments, trading post, Waldo, camp photos, any Girl Scout programmatic event.

Sandy Ridge Camp Information:

Confirmation Packets

Confirmation packets will be e-mailed to the e-mail address provided after you register. Please make sure to check your SPAM/JUNK mailbox. The packet will include all necessary forms, check-in and check-out procedures, a packing list, and any additional information that your camper needs. Please follow the directions in the packet concerning what forms to bring with you to check-in.

If you do not receive a confirmation packet, please e-mail Sandyridge@girlscoutsesc.org.

Camp Staff

Camp staff is a main factor in providing a happy and rewarding experience for your camper. The staff selection process includes a background check, extensive screening, and an interview with each staff member. They are selected based on experience, maturity, judgement, and a desire to share their enthusiasm and skills with children. All staff members participate in an intensive onsite training program prior to camp and ongoing evaluations throughout the summer. The Camp Director and Assistant Camp Director are highly trained and are specialized in their fields. All staff members are dedicated to making resident camp a positive, unique, and memorable experience for your camper.

Cell Phones at Camp

Cell phones will be allowed for girls to bring to camp. They will be kept with the counselors in a lock box. Campers will be permitted to use their phones and call home during rest hour each day from 12:30pm - 1:30pm. Sundays and Thursdays are opening and closing campfires and may run late into the evening; campers will not be permitted to use their cell phones on these nights. Phones will not be allowed in restrooms or cabins. If a girl does not have a cell phone, they will be allowed to use the camp office phone.

As always, we like the girls to disconnect while at camp, but we understand the need to speak to your child daily. We hope this will alleviate some stress and make for a better camp experience for everyone.

Please remember that sometimes talking to family members while at camp may increase missing home and could cause more issues with her stay at camp.

Any inappropriate phone usage (bullying, inappropriate pictures or websites, etc) the phone will be confiscated and returned in their check-out folders.

Please speak with your camper prior to coming to camp about this.

Sandy Ridge Camp Information:

Lost & Found

Please be sure to check the lost and found table during Check-Out. Each day during lunchtime lost items are displayed so that campers can retrieve their items before the end of the week. Items left behind will be sent to the North Charleston office at the end of the camp season. If not claimed, items will be donated to charity on September 30, 2026. Pick-up of lost items is required as GSESC will not mail lost items to their owners. To help prevent items being lost at camp, label items with your camper's first and last name

Camp Names

Ever wonder why the camp staff have unique nicknames? The relationship between campers and camp staff is unlike any other. Calling staff "Ms./Mr." is too formal for the camp setting, and calling counselors by their first name is too familiar. Camp Names have become a great way to handle the 'what to call them' dilemma and have become a time-honored tradition. Camp staff choose a name that reminds them of things they like, or places they're from, or sometimes just use a nickname from their own childhood. At camp you can meet a Squirrel, River, or Flower!

Camper Behavior

Everyone is expected to live by the Girl Scout Promise and Law while at camp. The camp staff will do everything possible to help girls adjust to camp life. GSESC reserves the right to send home from camp any camper who consistently exhibits unsuitable behavior or endangers themselves or the camp community, or whose actions toward others are unacceptable. In this case, the camper's parents/ guardians are responsible for picking her up in a timely manner. There will be no refund or adjustment for camp fees.

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Missing Home

We prefer the term missing home to the old phrase ‘homesickness’ because there is nothing wrong with a camper missing home. It’s a natural feeling. They aren’t ‘sick’ - missing home is the natural result of separating from home and loved ones. Almost all children (and grown-ups!) feel homesick when they’re away from home. People’s feelings vary in intensity and camp staff is prepared to handle this.

Surprisingly, research shows that some factors have nothing to do with the intensity of missing home, including geographic distance between home and camp and the presence of a friend from home at camp. Often, missing home is not problematic. When the feelings of sadness and anxiety associated with missing home become so strong that making friends, having fun, sleeping, eating, and participating in activities is difficult, we will act. Please note, if campers are missing home, they will not be allowed to call home. A member of camp’s core team will phone the parent/guardian if necessary. The best remedy for missing home is a partnership between families and camp staff.



Sandy Ridge Camp Photos:



YOUR CAMPER'S PHOTOS SENT TO YOUR PHONE

We're excited to announce we've continued our partnership with Waldo Photos to bring all your camper's photos to your phone. Be on the lookout for an email prior to your camper's session with more details on how to take advantage of the service!

HOW IT WORKS

- Text Join Code to Waldo
- Submit camper's selfie
- Enroll in photo service
- Get all your camper's pics!

FEATURES

- Easy-to-use app
- Photo album invites
- All your camper's memories

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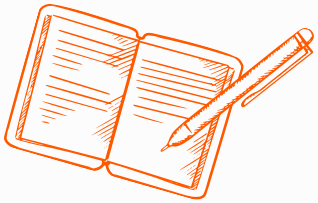
Sandy Ridge Camp Care Packages:







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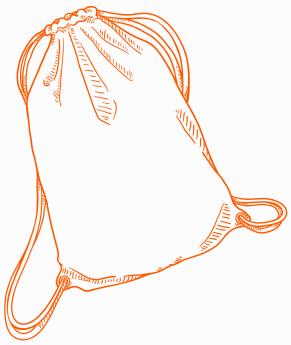

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Sandy Ridge 2026 Summer Timeline:

6/14-19 Week 1, Earthbound Adventures
- Paleo Pals
- Safari Squad (Travel Camp)
- Trailblazing Trotters (Horse Camp)
- River Rascals
- Wilderness Wisdom
- CIT 1
- CIT 2

6/19-21 Mini Session and Weekend TAC

6/21-26 Week 2, Career Quest
- Animal Advocates
- Captains of Chaos
- Whisk Wizards
- Stable Stars (Horse Camp)
- Tech Trek (Day Trip)
- CIT 1
- CIT 2

6/28-7/2 Harbour Freight Wood Working Camp

7/12-17 Week 3, Realm of Wonder
- Rebel Rascals
- Apothecary Adventures (Day Trip)
- Knights in Training
- Chapter Champions
- Anime and D&D Academy
- CIT 1
- CIT 2

7/19-24 Week 4, Sandy Ridge Extreme
- Tiny Tornadoes
- Mane Event (Horse Camp)
- Radical Rockets
- Thrill Seekers (Day Trip)
- Wilderness Warriors
- CIT 1
- CIT 2

7/26-31 Week 5, Star Stuck
- Little Legends
- Curtain Call
- Glamour Trails
- Swift Society
- Camp Paparazzi
- CIT 1
- CIT 2

Week 1: Earthbound Adventures

June 14-19



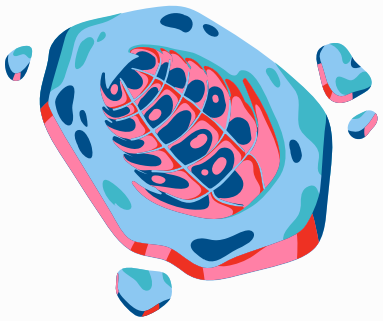
Get ready for an awesome adventure at Camp Sandy Ridge! Dive into the super cool world of the great outdoors! Our nature experts will show you how to be a wilderness pro and help save the planet with fun hands-on projects. Wake up to bird songs, go on exciting hikes, and even stay up late to look at the stars! Every day brings new discoveries and fun challenges. You'll make new friends, create amazing nature art, and learn how to be a nature superhero. Join us for a week full of exploring, learning, and tons of fun that will make you fall in love with nature forever. It's going to be WILD!

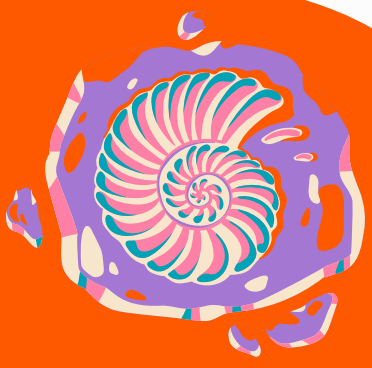
Paleo Pals

Ages: 5-8

Regular: $450 EB: $400

- Calling all young dinosaur detectives! Join us for Paleo Pals Camp, where we'll travel back in time to the land of the dinosaurs! Get ready for a prehistoric adventure packed with dino-mite activities, where you'll make your own fossil handprints, dig for buried treasures in our archeology hunt, create a cool dinosaur egg to take home, go on an exciting dino scavenger hunt, and end the week with a roaring good time at our "The Good Dinosaur" movie night. You'll become a real dinosaur expert and make tons of new dino-loving friends. Don't miss out on this GIGANTIC adventure! Sign up now before this camp goes extinct!
  - Fossil handprints
  - Archeology hunt
  - Dinosaur egg
  - Fossil demo
  - Dino scavenger hunt
  - The Good Dinosaur movie night





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June 14-19

Safari Squad (Travel Camp)

Ages: 9-11

Regular: $550 EB: $500

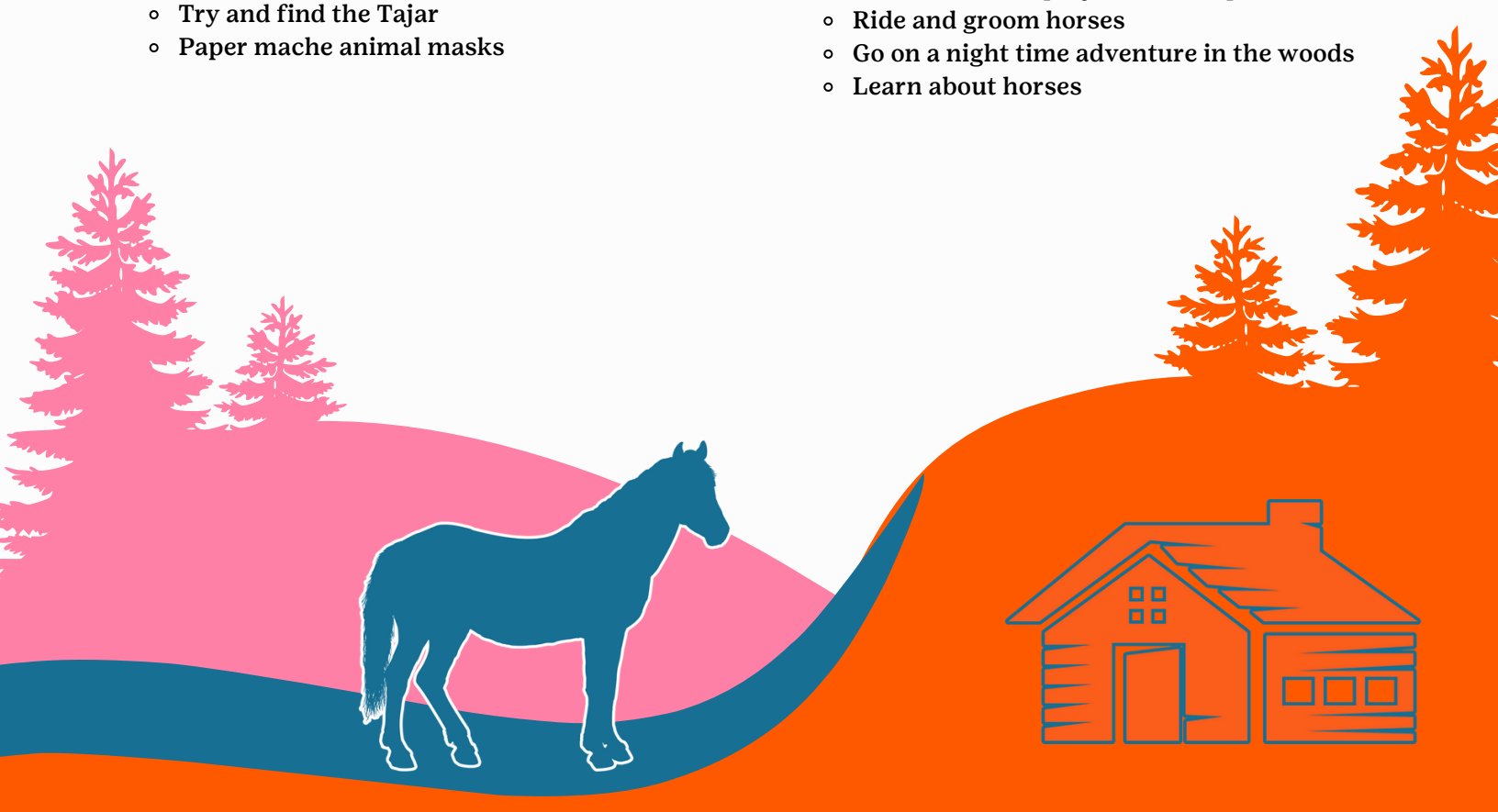
- Get ready for a wild adventure with Safari Squad! Pack your bags for an amazing trip to the NC Zoo, where you'll come face-to-face with incredible safari animals. The fun doesn't stop when the sun goes down - you'll have a super cool sleepover right at the zoo! Back at camp, put on your explorer hat for an exciting nature hike and join the hunt for the mysterious Tajar. To top it all off, you'll create your own animal disguise with awesome paper mache masks. It's like bringing a piece of the safari home with you!
  - Travel to NC Zoo
  - Learn about safari animals
  - Sleepover at the zoo
  - Nature hike at camp
  - Try and find the Tajar
  - Paper mache animal masks

Trailblazing Trotters (Horse Camp)

Ages: 9-11

Regular: $550 EB: $500

- Saddle up for an amazing adventure with Trailblazing Trotters! If you're horse-crazy and love nature, this camp is perfect for you. You'll get to ride and groom real horses, learning all about these magnificent animals. But that's not all - we'll turn old horseshoes into cool new creations and help make the camp be even more eco-friendly with a special project. When the sun goes down, the fun doesn't stop! We'll head out on a thrilling nighttime expedition in the woods. Whether you're a seasoned rider or just starting out, Trailblazing Trotters is the place for having a horse-tastic time!
  - Give used horse shoes a new life
  - Work on an eco project for camp
  - Ride and groom horses
  - Go on a night time adventure in the woods
  - Learn about horses



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River Rascals

Ages: 11-14

Regular: $450 EB: $400

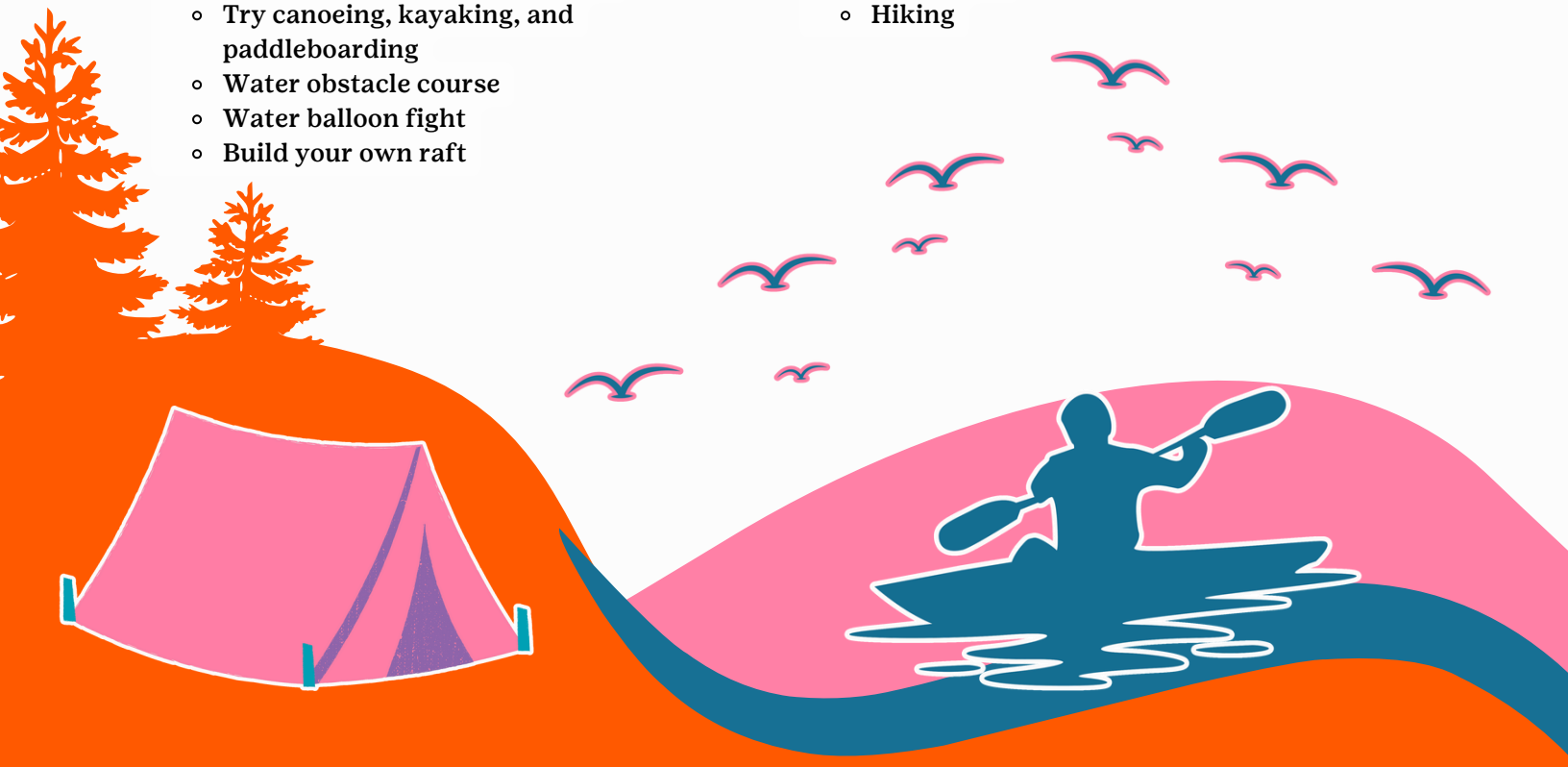
- Attention water lovers and adventure seekers! Dive into the ultimate aquatic experience with River Rascals camp This camp is overflowing with fun! You'll learn to navigate the waters like a pro in canoes, kayaks, and paddleboards. If the weather's right, we'll even embark on an epic journey down the PeeDee River! Don't worry, we've got your back - you'll become experts in canoe safety and rescues. Challenge yourself on our wild water obstacle course, cool off in an epic water balloon battle, and put your engineering skills to the test by building your very own raft. Get ready to make waves and unforgettable memories at River Rascals camp!
  - Canoe down the PeeDee River (dependant on weather.)
  - Learn canoe rescues and safety
  - Try canoeing, kayaking, and paddleboarding
  - Water obstacle course
  - Water balloon fight
  - Build your own raft

Wilderness Wisdom

Ages: 14-17

Regular: $450 EB: $400

- Calling all teen adventurers! Are you ready to become a true wilderness expert? Join us for Wilderness Wisdom camp, designed for brave explorers ages 14-17. Get ready to sleep under the stars in tents and learn awesome survival skills that'll make you feel like a real-life action hero. You'll become a master of outdoor cooking, discover the secrets of local plants and animals, and learn how to safely harness the power of fire. Lace up your boots for exciting hikes through nature's playground. Whether you're a seasoned camper or a first-time adventurer, Wilderness Wisdom will challenge you, inspire you, and leave you with unforgettable memories and cool new skills. Are you up for the challenge?
  - Tent camping
  - Survival skills
  - Outdoor cooking
  - Learn about local flora and fauna
  - Fire safety
  - Hiking



Mini Session & Weekend TAC

June 19-21

Mini Session

Ages: 5-9

Price: $75

Welcome to Mini Session at Camp Sandy Ridge, a perfect taste of adventure for girls like you! This shorter camp experience is packed with all the fun of our regular sessions, just in a bite-sized format. Dive into thrilling lake activities like kayaking, paddleboarding, and canoeing. Get creative with nature collages using leaves, flowers, and twigs you collect yourself. Join in exciting outdoor games, unleash your artistic side with cool crafts, and explore the wonders of nature all around us. At Mini Session, you'll get to try a variety of activities and make new friends in a shorter time frame. It's the perfect way to experience the magic of Camp Sandy Ridge if you're new to camp or just can't stay for a full session. Every moment is filled with fun, friendship, and exciting opportunities to create lasting memories! Join us for this unforgettable mini adventure at Camp Sandy Ridge. It may be shorter, but it's just as sweet!

- Nature hikes
- Arts and crafts
- Team-building games and challenges
- Campfire songs
- Outdoor sports
- Creative skits

Troop Adventure Camp

Regular: $75

TAC is your troop's chance to create the ultimate camp experience tailored just for you! With the help of our friendly Sandy Ridge staff hostesses, your troop gets to plan and design your very own adventure. Want to focus on outdoor skills? Crazy about crafts? Love water activities? You decide!

Our experienced staff will guide you through the planning process, helping your troop choose from a variety of exciting activities that Sandy Ridge has to offer. From archery to canoeing andnature hikes, the possibilities are endless. You'll work together as a troop to create a schedule that's perfect for your group's interests and goals.

TAC is all about girl-led fun, teamwork, and making memories that will last a lifetime. It's your camp, your way!

Join us for TAC at Sandy Ridge, where your troop's dream camp becomes reality!









Week 2: Career Quest

June 21-26

Get ready for the most exciting week ever! Ever wonder what it's like to be a chef, a scientist, or even a veterinarian? Well, now's your chance to find out! Each day is packed with cool activities where you'll get to explore your exciting job. Put on a lab coat and mix up crazy potions as a scientist, explore awesome ways to help your community, or create yummy treats as a chef. You might even find your future career as a lifeguard or care for furry friends as a veterinarian! You'll meet real-life heroes who do these amazing jobs every day. They'll share their coolest stories and teach you their best tricks. By the end of the week, you'll have explored your passion! Who knows? You might even discover your dream job! It's like a weeklong adventure into your amazing future!

Animal Advocates

Ages: 5-9

Regular: $450 EB: $400

- Join us for Animal Advocates camp where you'll learn how to be an awesome pet parent and even meet a real veterinarian who'll share cool animal secrets! Put on your detective hat as we search for animal tracks and create cozy homes for our local wildlife friends. Get ready for a wild animal adventure scavenger hunt and unleash your creativity by making your very own animal costume. At Animal Advocates, you'll have a roaring good time while learning how to help and protect our amazing animal friends. It's going to be paw-some!
  - Learn how to properly take care of animals
  - Special vet guest speaker
  - Identify animal tracks
  - Create crafts for our local wildlife (pinecone bird feeders)
  - Go on an animal adventure scavenger hunt
  - Make animal costumes

Captains of Chaos

Ages: 7-14

Regular: $450 EB: $400

- Attention all mischief-makers and fun-lovers! Get ready for the wildest week ever at Captains of Chaos camp. If you dream of running the show, this is your chance! You'll get to shadow the cool staff members and help make big decisions for the whole camp. Lead everyone in silly songs, plan hilarious (and harmless) pranks, and even raid the kitchen for tasty treats. The best part? You get to stay up late, sleep in, and host an awesome late-night pool party! It's like being a VIP at the most fun place ever. Join us at Captains of Chaos and let your inner leader shine while having the time of your life!
  - Shadow staff members and help make decisions for the whole camp
  - Take over the CITs and lead the camp in songs
  - Prank the camp
  - Stay up late and sleep in
  - Raid the kitchen
  - Host a late-night pool party

Week 2: Career Quest

June 21-26

Whisk Wizards

Ages: 7-14

Regular: $450 EB: $400

- Get ready to whip up some magic at Whisk Wizards camp. If you love to create sweet treats, this is the place for you! You'll become a dessert hero, making yummy treats for the whole camp every day. Learn the secrets of campfire cooking and important food safety tips to keep everyone healthy and happy. Put your skills to the test in our exciting Cupcake Wars competition, then relax and watch the real Cupcake Wars show for inspiration. To top it all off, you'll get to decorate your very own chef's hat. Join us at Whisk Wizards and let your culinary creativity shine!
  - Make dessert for the whole camp every day
  - Campfire cooking
  - Learn about food safety
  - Cupcake wars
  - Watch Cupcake Wars
  - Decorate chef hats









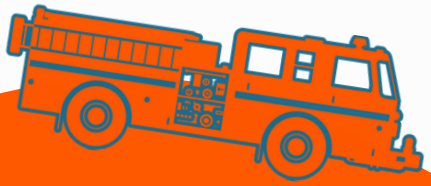
Blaze Battalion (Day Trip)

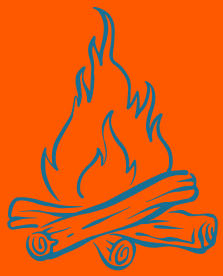
Ages: 11-16

Regular: $450 EB: $400

- Are you ready for an action-packed adventure with Blaze Battalion? You'll get to meet real-life superheroes - firefighters, police officers, and EMS workers! Climb inside a fire truck and ambulance to see how they work. Learn important fire safety tips and then put them to use as you build your own (safe) fire and cook up a delicious dessert. The excitement doesn't stop there - you'll even get to spray water from a real fire truck! And for a fun twist, you'll pick a counselor to be "arrested" (don't worry, it's all in good fun). Join Blaze Battalion for an unforgettable journey into the world of everyday heroes!
  - Visit and learn about firefighters, police officers, and EMS
  - Get to see the inside of a fire truck & ambulance
  - Learn fire safety
  - Build a fire and make dessert
  - Spray water from a fire truck
  - Pick a counselor to be arrested







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Stable Stars (Horse Camp)

Ages: 11-16

Regular: $550 EB: $500

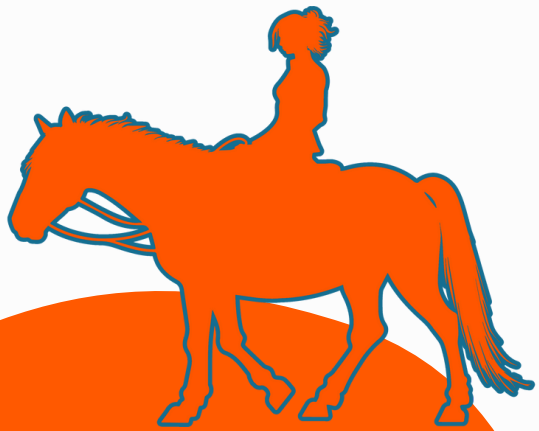
- Saddle up, horse lovers! Stable Stars is calling all young riders for an amazing adventure at Four Rock Stables. Get ready to live your horse dreams as you learn to care for these magnificent animals like a pro. You'll brush their coats until they shine, feed them tasty treats, and even help put on their saddle and tack. The best part? You'll get to ride horses and feel the wind in your hair as you trot and canter. When you're not in the saddle, unleash your creativity with a cool horseshoe craft to take home. Whether you're a seasoned rider or just starting out, Stable Stars is the perfect place to make new friends - both human and four-legged!
  - Go to Four Rock Stables
  - Take care of horses
  - Ride horses
  - Horseshoe craft

Tech Trek (Day Trip)

Ages: 11-17

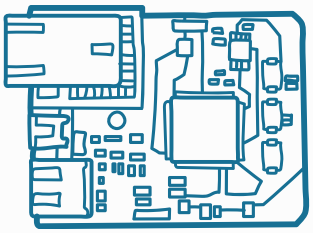
Regular: $500 EB: $450

- Calling all tech wizards and science enthusiasts! Get ready for an electrifying adventure with Tech Trek. We're blasting off to the Greensboro NC Science Museum where mind-blowing discoveries await! Back at camp, you'll become a drone pilot, zipping and zooming your drone through the air. Watch in awe as chemical reactions come to life in our exciting chemistry demo. Get hands-on with Snap Circuits, creating cool gadgets that actually work! A special guest speaker will share secrets from the world of technology, and to top it all off, you'll build and launch your very own rockets. Tech Trek is your ticket to the future - are you ready to take off?
  - Go to Greensboro NC science museum
  - Fly drones around camp
  - Chemistry demonstration
  - Play with Snap Circuits
  - Interact with guest speaker
  - Build rockets









Week 3: Realm of Wonder

July 12-17

Get ready for a magical adventure at Sandy Ridge! Imagine a place where anything is possible - that's where you're headed! For a whole week, you'll explore enchanted forests, solve mystical puzzles, and make new friends with awesome magical powers. You might meet friendly dragons, talk to wise trees, or even discover you have superpowers of your own! Every day brings new surprises and exciting challenges in our Realm of Wonder. Costumes and props are highly encouraged! Are you ready to unlock the magic within you? Join us for a week you'll never forget!

Rebel Rascals

Ages: 5-9

Regular: $450 EB: $400

- Hey there, little adventurers! Are you ready for the silliest, wildest camp ever? Welcome to Rebel Rascals, where you'll get to have tons of fun! You'll pull hilarious (and harmless) pranks around camp, splash in an epic water balloon fight, and go on a kitchen raid for yummy treats. Get ready to stay up past your bedtime for extra fun, create colorful masterpieces with exploding paint, and even play a funny trick on the camp director (shhh, it's a secret)! At Rebel Rascals, we turn silliness into an art form. Come join us for a week of giggles, surprises, and unforgettable memories!
  - Prank camp
  - Water balloon fight
  - Kitchen raid
  - Stay up late
  - Exploding paint
  - Prank the camp director

Apothecary Adventures (Day Trip)

Ages: 9-14

Regular: $450 EB: $400

- Calling all young potion masters and nature explorers! Join us for Apothecary Adventures, a magical camp for curious minds. Discover the secrets of wild plants and herbs growing right around camp and use them to create your very own leaf paint masterpieces. Learn the art of potion-making and become a mini-medic with cool first aid skills. Get crafty as you make your own paper from scratch, and top it all off with an exciting trip to the beautiful Kalmia Gardens in Hartsville, SC. At Apothecary Adventures, you'll become a nature wizard, mixing up fun and learning in one unforgettable potion!
  - Learn about wild plants and herbs around camp
  - Make your own paint from leaves
  - Learn how to make potions
  - Learn general first aid
  - Make paper
  - Visit a Kalmia Gardens in Hartsville SC





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Knights in Training

Ages: 9-11

Regular: $450 EB: $400

- Hear ye, hear ye! Calling all brave knights-to-be! Join us for Knights in Training, an epic adventure! Prepare for thrilling water jousting battles, conquer challenging obstacle courses, and embark on daring missions to save counselors in distress. Sharpen your skills as you hunt for a mysterious dragon. Show off your creativity by crafting your own shield and camp crest. But that's not all - you'll even invent a brand-new sport and teach it to the whole camp! At Knights in Training, you'll become a true champion of fun and adventure. So, grab your imaginary sword and join us for a week of medieval mayhem!
  - Water jousting
  - Obstacle course
  - Save counselors
  - Hunt a dragon
  - Make a shield and crest
  - Make your own sport and teach the camp

Chapter Champions

Ages: 11-14

Regular: $450 EB: $400

- Calling all bookworms and story lovers! Join us for Chapter Champions, the ultimate reading adventure! Dive into a fantastic book (we'll provide it!) during daily quiet reading time. Share your thoughts and make new friends in our cool book club meetings. Unleash your inner writer as you jot down your book-inspired ideas in your very own journal. Get crafty by creating unique bookmarks to keep your place in style. We'll even watch the movie version of our book - popcorn included! And as the sun sets, cozy up for nightly readings that'll transport you to magical worlds. At Chapter Champions, we're turning the page to a whole new level of reading fun!
  - Daily quiet reading time, book provided
  - Book club meetings with group
  - Write in your journal about the book
  - Make bookmarks
  - Watch the movie from the book
  - Nightly readings





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Anime Academy (Day Trip)

Ages: 11-17

Regular: $550 EB: $500

- Attention, future anime heroes and villains! Prepare for an epic adventure at Anime Academy, the ultimate camp for anime lovers. We're shaking things up this year with a thrilling One Piece inspired trip to Pirates Voyage! Back at camp, you'll train in secret ninja skills and unleash your creativity with awesome paper cosplay crafts. Get comfy with an anime binge sleepover with all your new friends. Show off your costumes at our dazzling cosplay party. And for the grand finale, you'll team up to "save the camp" in an exciting, anime-inspired challenge. At Anime Academy, you're the main character in your own unforgettable adventure! Costumes, cosplays, and (safe) props are highly encouraged!
  - Go to Pirates Voyage
  - Train ninja skills
  - Paper cosplay
  - Anime binge sleepover
  - Cosplay party
  - Save the camp

Mystics & Monsters (D&D)

Ages: 11-17

Regular: $450 EB: $400

- Hey, adventurers and dungeon deliverers! Ready to level up your summer? Join us for Mystics & Monsters, an epic Dungeons & Dragons camp for brave souls. Roll the dice in nightly D&D sessions where your imagination comes to life. Craft your own prop weapons and bring your character to the real world in exciting LARPing (Live Action Role-Playing) adventures. Cook up tasty campfire meals fit for a party of heroes. Show off your best fantasy look at our magical costume party. And of course, you'll create your own unique character to guide you through it all. Whether you're a seasoned player or new to the realm, Mystics & Monsters is your ticket to an unforgettable quest! Costumes are encouraged!
  - Nightly D&D sessions
  - Prop weapon making
  - LARPing sessions (Live Action Role-Playing)
  - Campfire meals
  - Costume party
  - Character creation

Week 4: Sandy Ridge Extreme

July 19-24

Get ready for the wildest week of your life at Sandy Ridge Extreme! Buckle up, adventure seekers! We're taking fun to the max here at Sandy Ridge. Every day brings new thrills and challenges that'll make your heart race with excitement! Think you're daring enough? Come join us for a week of non-stop action and unforgettable adventures. It's going to be EXTREME!

Tiny Tornadoes

Ages: 6-8

Regular: $450 EB: $400

- Hey there, little whirlwinds of fun! Are you ready for the silliest, most exciting camp ever? Welcome to Tiny Tornadoes, where kids get to unleash their playful side! You'll pull funny (and harmless) pranks around camp, enjoy a break from cleaning (woohoo!), and even stay up a little past bedtime (with extra sleep-in time, of course). Join us for a kitchen raid adventure to find yummy treats and help decorate camp with toilet paper for giggles. The best part? You'll get to play a silly trick on the camp director! At Tiny Tornadoes, we're all about turning fun up to maximum speed. Come spin into a week of laughter, surprises, and unforgettable memories!
  - Prank camp
  - No cleaning
  - Stay up late & sleep in
  - Raid the kitchen
  - TP the camp

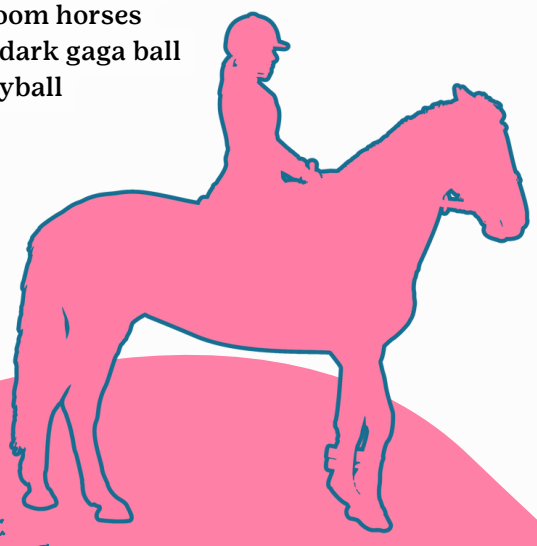


Mane Event (Horse Camp)

Ages: 9-11

Regular: $550 EB: $500

- Saddle up, horse lovers! It's time for the Mane Event, an amazing horse camp. Get ready to trot over to Four Rock Stables where you'll learn to ride and groom real horses like a pro. Feel the wind in your hair as you sit tall in the saddle, and bond with your new four-legged friends as you brush their coats until they shine. But the fun doesn't stop when we leave the stables! Back at camp, you'll dive into exciting games like glow-in-the-dark gaga ball and make a splash with water volleyball. At Mane Event, we're horsing around in the best way possible!
  - Go to Four Rock Stables
  - Ride and groom horses
  - Glow in the dark gaga ball
  - Water Volleyball



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Radical Rockets

Ages: 9-11

Regular: $450 EB: $400

- Blast off to an out-of-this-world adventure at Radical Rockets camp! Calling all space junkies ages 9-11, get ready to build and launch your very own model rockets. Become a drone pilot and zoom through the skies, then create explosive art with paint rockets. Taste what astronauts eat by making your own space pudding. Use your new cosmic skills to save the camp from an alien invasion. When the sun goes down, gaze at the stars and uncover the mysteries of the night sky. At Radical Rockets, we're turning summer into a stellar space odyssey!
  - Build Model Rockets
  - Fly Drones
  - Make art with Paint Rockets
  - Make Astronaut pudding
  - Save the camp from an alien invasion
  - Observe the night sky
  - MRE Ice cream sandwiches

Thrill Seekers (Day Trip)

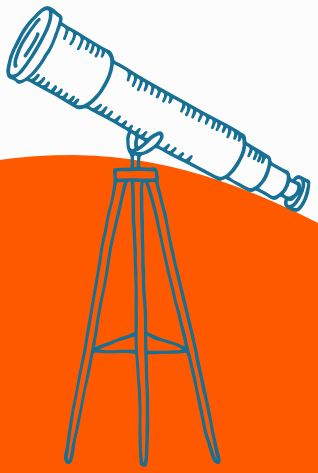
Ages: 11-17

Regular: $650 EB: $600

- Attention, adrenaline junkies! Are you ready for the ultimate adventure? Feel the rush of indoor skydiving as you soar through the air. Bounce to new heights at an awesome trampoline park. Zap your friends in heart-pounding laser tag battles. Challenge your balance in hilarious water jousting matches. Brave the darkness on a thrilling night hike. Cool off with an epic water balloon fight that'll leave you soaked and smiling. From high-flying fun to ground-level thrills, this travel trip is packed with non-stop action. Thrill Seekers is where unforgettable memories and awesome stories are made!
  - Indoor skydiving
  - Trampoline park
  - Laser tag
  - Water jousting
  - Night hike
  - Water Balloon fight







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Junior X-Games

Ages: 11-14

Regular: $450 EB: $400

- Attention, young daredevils! Get ready for Junior X-Games, the ultimate extreme camp for thrill-seekers. Learn how to be a canoe hero with cool rescue skills, then test your paddle power in our wild canoe obstacle course. Take gaga ball to the extreme with our crazy twists. Put your creativity to the test by designing an epic obstacle course for the whole camp to tackle. Cool off in an awesome water fight - and yes, you get to soak the Camp Director! When the sun goes down, the excitement doesn't stop. Sharpen your aim with heart-pounding night archery under the stars. At Junior X-Games, we're taking summer camp to the extreme!
  - Canoe rescues
  - Canoe obstacle course
  - Extreme gaga ball
  - Create own obstacle course
  - Water fight with the Camp Director
  - Night archery

Wilderness Warriors

Ages: 14-17

Regular: $450 EB: $400

- Calling all teenage adventurers! Are you ready to conquer the wild? Join Wilderness Warriors, the ultimate outdoor challenge for brave souls! Gear up for extreme camping where you'll sleep under the stars and cook tasty meals over a roaring campfire. Become a fire master as you learn to build and control flames safely. Explore nature's playground on thrilling day hikes and mysterious night treks. Discover which local plants to avoid (knowledge is power!). And become a water hero with cool canoe rescue skills. At Wilderness Warriors, you'll push your limits, make lifelong friends, and discover just how awesome you can be in the great outdoors. Are you up for the challenge?
  - Extreme camping
  - Cook over a campfire
  - Learn fire building and safety
  - Hike in day and night
  - Learn about dangerous local plants
  - Canoe rescues





Week 5: Star Struck

July 26-31

Lights, camera, action! Get ready to shine at Star Struck Camp! Ever dreamed of being a superstar? This is your big break! At Star Struck, you'll learn to sing, dance, and act like a pro. Grab your camera and become a paparazzi photographer, snapping cool pics of all the action! Create your own costumes, write cool songs, and even make skits with your new camp buddies. Whether you're a natural on stage, behind the camera, or just love to have fun, Star Struck Camp is your ticket to stardom. And don't forget to pack your fanciest outfit for our red-carpet dinner where you'll dine like a true celebrity! Come join us and let your inner star sparkle – on both sides of the lens!

Little Legends

Ages: 6-8

Regular: $450 EB: $400

- Lights, camera, action! Little Legends camp is rolling out the red carpet for our youngest stars, ages 6-8! Get the VIP treatment with a fun spa experience fit for a celebrity. Help our CITs (Counselors in Training) get glammed up for their red-carpet moment and give the camp director a fabulous makeover. Create dazzling jewelry to wear at your very own red-carpet premiere. Shake your tail feathers at an exclusive star-only dance party. And what's a star's life without fancy drinks? Sip on delicious lemonade delivered right to you. At Little Legends, you're the star of the show, and every day is your time to shine!
  - Have a spa experience for a star
  - Help the CIT's get ready for the red carpet
  - Give the camp director a makeover
  - Make jewelry for your red-carpet premiere
  - Have an exclusive star-only dance party
  - Have fancy lemonade drinks delivered to you

Curtain Call

Ages: 9-11

Regular: $450 EB: $400

- Calling all young performers! Step into the spotlight at Curtain Call Camp, perfect for budding stars ages 9-11. Warm up those vocal cords as we sing some of your favorite musical hits. Enjoy a cozy movie night featuring a fantastic musical that'll have you dancing in your seat. Put on your playwright hat and create your very own play for the whole camp to see - how cool is that? Let your creativity shine as you craft theatrical masks and design paper costumes for wacky, random themes. Sharpen your quick-thinking skills in our hilarious improv workshop. Whether you're a seasoned performer or just starting out, Curtain Call is your chance to let your inner star sparkle. It's time to take a bow and have the best summer ever!
  - Sing some of your favorite musical songs
  - Have a movie night watching a musical
  - Create your own play for the camp to see
  - Make your own theatrical masks
  - Design paper costumes for random theme
  - An improv workshop

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Glamour Trails

Ages: 9-11

Regular: $550 EB: $500

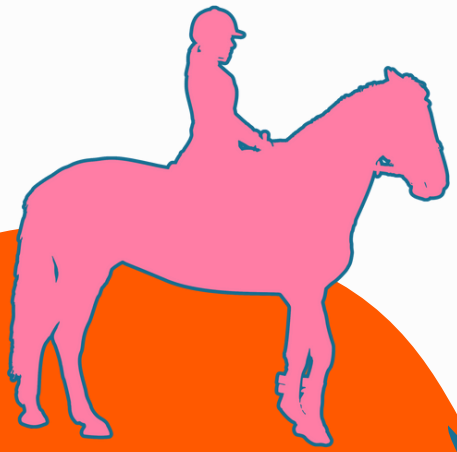
- Get ready for the ultimate adventure at Glamour Trails, where you'llshine both on the red carpet and on horseback! This unique camp experience blends the glitz and relaxation of a spa retreat with the thrill of equestrian fun. Prepare for your big moment with a dazzling red-carpet makeover and then chill out with a movie night under the stars, complete with a delicious sundae bar. Then saddle up for exciting horseback riding sessions, where you'll learn to ride and care for these beautiful animals, exploring scenic trails. At Glamour Trails, you'll feel like a true star, both pampered and adventurous, while having a blast with your fellow campers. Get ready to shine bright and ride in style!
  - Make your own face mask and lip scurb
  - Learn to ride and care for horses
  - Watch a movie and have a sundae bar
  - Create an autograph book and get everyone to sign it
  - Have fancy lemonade drinks delivered to you

Swift Society

Ages: 11-14

Regular: $450 EB: $400

- Calling all Swifties! Get ready to shake it off at Swift Society camp, the ultimate Taylor Swift experience for fans ages 11-14. Belt out your favorite Taylor tunes in our epic karaoke sessions. Channel your inner Taylor by crafting colorful friendship bracelets to trade with your new besties. Put your Swift knowledge to the test in a thrilling scavenger hunt. Bake delicious Taylor Swift-inspired chia cookies (yum!). Get crafty making paper planes and paper rings straight out of Taylor's lyrics. And learn some awesome dance moves with Taylor Swift choreography. At Swift Society, we're creating our own love story with music, fun, and friendship. It's gonna be a cruel summer if you miss out on this Swiftacular adventure!
  - Do Taylor Swift karaoke
  - Make friendship bracelets to trade
  - Scavenger hunt using your swifty knowledge
  - Make Taylor Swift chip cookies
  - Make paper planes and paper rings
  - Learn Taylor Swift Choreography







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July 26-31

Paddle Palooza (Day Trip)

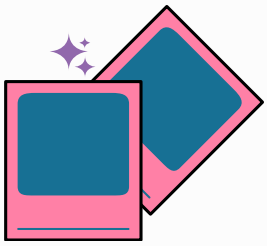
Ages: 11-17

Regular: $650 EB: $600

- Get ready for a splash-tastic adventure at Paddle Palooza, the ultimate water-themed camp for thrill-seekers ages 11-17! We're taking two epic trips to the US National Whitewater Center for heart-pumping white-water rafting and rock climbing. Test your balance on the high ropes course, then cool off with hilarious water jousting matches and pool volleyball games. Light up the night with our groovy pool disco party! Back at camp, become a water hero as you learn canoe rescues and compete in our unique canoeing races. You'll have to work together to paddle your way to victory! At Paddle Palooza, we're diving into a world of wet and wild fun!
  - Take a two day trip to the US National Whitewater Center to go white water rafting and do a high ropes course.
  - Water jousting
  - Pool volleyball
  - Disco Night at the pool
  - Cannoe rescues
  - Canoe races**



**Play a game where one person is deaf, one is blind, one is mute when competing and they have to work together to figure out how to win!



Camp Paparazzi

Ages: 11-17

Regular: $450 EB: $400

- Lights, camera, action! Welcome to Camp Paparazzi, where young photographers ages 11-17 become the stars behind the lens. Get ready for a week of snap-tastic fun with your very own camera to use (and take home your masterpieces on an SD card!). Capture the beauty of nature on scenic hikes, and become the camp photographer, snapping pics of all the exciting activities and "celebrities" around camp. Put your creative skills to the test by designing and running your own photo booth. Dive into underwater photography for some seriously cool shots. The best part? See your awesome photos featured on Waldo and take them home to show off your new skills. At Camp Paparazzi, every moment is picture-perfect!
  - Get your own camera for the week and take home the photos via SD card!
  - Capture nature photos on a hike around camp
  - Take photos of various groups and stars around camp
  - Create and run a photo booth
  - Take underwater photos
  - See your photos posted on waldo and take your photos home to keep





Counselor-In-Training (CIT)

The Counselor in Training Program is for girls ages 14-15 to develop the leadership skills in a camp environment.

They will learn camper development, group management, program planning, by shadowing unit leaders, camp director, assistant director, and program staff. In addition they will have the opportunity to implement and run program activities.

All while they learn:
Communication
Setting Goals
Honesty and Integrity
Decision Making
Conflict Management

Counselor in Training 1	Counselor in Training 2
Age 14	Age 15
$200 Regular	$150 Regular
$150 Early Bird	$100 Eary Bird

Junior Counselor
Ages 16+
Girls who are 16 and up can apply for a paid position

CIT 1 & 2s must be approved by the Camp Director to stay over a weekend if participating in multiple weeks. In addition, each weekend will cost $50 per CIT. Payment and confirmation of stay will be received a week prior to stay by the Camp Director.

2025 Memories

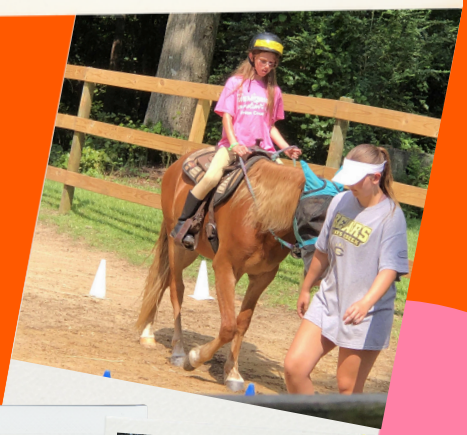




























Camp Readiness Quiz

	Give yourself a point for every question you say "yes" to!
1.	You enjoy staying overnight at a friend's house.
2.	You can shower, shampoo, and brush your own hair.
3.	You enjoy being in nature and playing outdoors.
4.	You can survive without radio, TV, video games, a tablet, or a cell phone.
5.	When you see a bug, spider, or mouse, you don't like it, but you can handle it.
6.	You can make your own bed and keep track of your own things.
7.	You love to make new friends and do things with other girls.
8.	You like/would like to try sleeping where you can hear the sounds of nature.
9.	You can sleep without a nightlight.
10.	You would be okay sleeping in a cabin with other kids, knowing that your counselors are nearby.
11.	Walking to another building to use the bathroom and sink is no big deal.
12.	You're willing to help with Kapers (camp chorse: cleaning, setting the table, etc.)
13.	You can try new foods that might be different than what you eat at home.
14.	You enjoy trying new things.
15.	You live by the Girl Scout Law.
16.	You REALLY excited about camp!!!

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It sounds like you're not quite ready to take the plunge into overnight camp by yourself, but you can get a feel for camp life at our weekend programs or family sessions! These are a great way to enjoy a new outdoor experience!

4-8:
You're confident and ready to try new things! Try out any of our camp sessions! From discovering different careers to exploring other realms, any of our camps will satify your inner adventuer!

9-16
If you're not already a camping pro, you're going to be a natural! You love adventure, trying new things, and making new friends. It sounds like you're ready for one of our day trip camps that will take Sandy Ridge to a whole new level!

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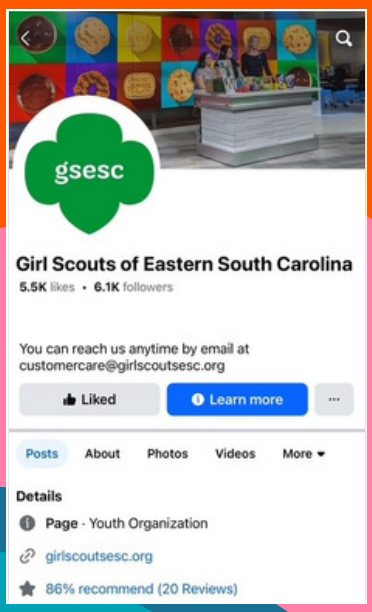

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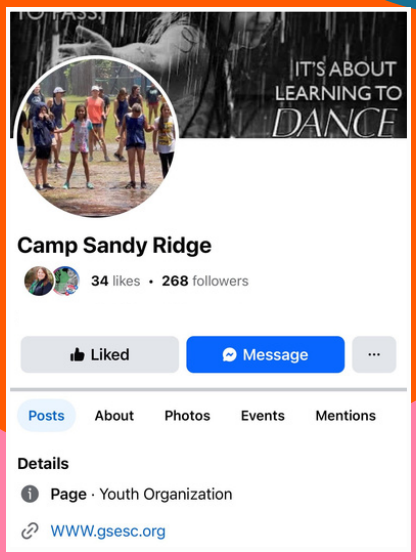

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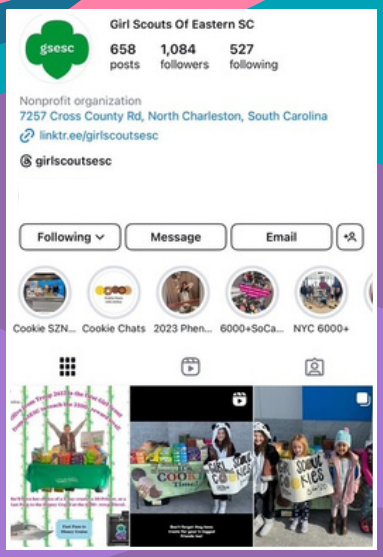

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