GSHPA Sample Camping Schedule

Camping Schedule: 2 Nights

This is a recommended schedule for a 3-day, 2-night camping trip (Friday evening – Sunday afternoon). It's important to remember that the times and schedule are a suggestion. Adjust the schedule as needed. Activity ideas are listed at the bottom of this document.

Camping Trip: Friday Evening

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Time (minutes)	Activity	Notes	
5-10	Arrive on Camp	Choose a time to arrive based on your camp reservation	
30-60	Unpack and Settle in	Organize group and individual supplies	
5-10	Opening Ceremony	Recite the Pledge of Allegiance and the Promise and Law	
5-10	Assign Camp Kapers	Examples: Prepping meals, cooking meals, wash dishes	
60-90	Prep, Cook, & Eat Dinner	Remember to discuss food prep, safety, and assign an adult to chaperone. Try cooking at least one meal over the campfire!	
30	Girl Choice/Free Time	Optional, if time is available or girls need a break	
60-90	Evening Activity	Choose one or more evening activities	
30	Get Ready for Bed		
	Camping Trip: Saturday		
Time (minutes)	Activity	Notes	
30	Wake Up		
60-90	Prep, Cook, & Eat Breakfast	Remember to discuss food prep, safety, and assign an adult to chaperone. Try cooking at least one meal over the campfire!	
60-90	Morning Activity 1	Choose an activity	
60-90	Morning Activity 2	Choose an activity	
30	Girl Choice/Free Time	Optional, if time is available or girls need a break	
60-90	Prep, Cook, & Eat Lunch	Remember to discuss food prep, safety, and assign an adult to chaperone.	
60-90	Afternoon Activity 1	Choose an activity	
60-90	Afternoon Activity 2	Choose an activity	

60-90	Afternoon Activity 3	 Go on a hike! Prep and pack a hiking snack Choose a trail and begin your hike
30	Girl Choice/Free Time	Optional, if time is available or girls need a break
60-90	Prep, Cook, & Eat Dinner	Remember to discuss food prep, safety, and assign an adult to chaperone.
30	Girl Choice/Free Time	Optional, if time is available or girls need a break
60-90	Evening Activity	Choose one or more evening activities
30	Get Ready for Bed	

Camping Trip: Sunday		
Time (minutes)	Activity	Notes
30	Wake Up	
30	Pack Up: Part 1	Pack up individual supplies and set them aside
60-90	Prep, Cook, & Eat Breakfast	Remember to discuss food prep, safety, and assign an adult to chaperone. Try cooking at least one meal over the campfire!
60-90	Morning Activity 1	Choose an activity
60-90	Morning Activity 2	Choose an activity
30	Girl Choice/Free Time	Optional, if time is available or girls need a break
60-90	Prep, Cook, & Eat Lunch	Remember to discuss food prep, safety, and assign an adult to chaperone.
10-15	Closing Ceremony	Conduct your Closing Ceremony & hand out any awards
30	Clean Up	Wipe down surfaces, sweep, take out trash, turn off lights, etc.
30	Pack Up: Part 2	Pack all group supplies and load all group and personal supplies into vehicles
5	Depart Camp	Depart camp by the designated time or your reservation

Camping Schedule: 1 Night

This is a recommended schedule for a 2-day, 1-night camping trip (Saturday morning – Sunday afternoon). It's important to remember that the times and schedule are a suggestion. Adjust the schedule as needed. Activity ideas are listed at the bottom of this document.

Camping Trip: Saturday		
Time (minutes)	Activity	Notes
5-10	Arrive on Camp	Choose a time to arrive based on your camp reservation
30	Unpack and Settle in	Organize group and individual supplies
5-10	Opening Ceremony	Recite the Pledge of Allegiance and the Promise and Law
5-10	Assign Camp Kapers	Examples: Prepping meals, cooking meals, washing dishes
60-90	Morning Activity 1	Choose an activity
60-90	Morning Activity 2	Choose an activity

60-90	Prep, Cook, & Eat Lunch	Remember to discuss food prep, safety, and assign an adult to chaperone.
60-90	Afternoon Activity 1	Choose an activity
60-90	Afternoon Activity 2	Choose an activity
60-90	Afternoon Activity 3	Go on a hike! • Prep and pack a hiking snack • Choose a trail and begin your hike
30	Girl Choice/Free Time	
60-90	Prep, Cook, & Eat Dinner	Remember to discuss food prep, safety, and assign an adult to chaperone.
30	Girl Choice/Free Time	
60-90	Evening Activity	Choose one or more evening activities
30	Get Ready for Bed	

Camping Trip: Sunday		
Time (minutes)	Activity	Notes
30	Wake Up	
30	Pack Up: Part 1	Pack up individual supplies and set them aside
60-90	Prep, Cook, & Eat Breakfast	Remember to discuss food prep, safety, and assign an adult to chaperone. Try cooking at least one meal over the campfire!
60-90	Morning Activity 1	Choose an activity
60-90	Morning Activity 2	Choose an activity
30	Girl Choice/Free Time	
60-90	Prep, Cook, & Eat Lunch	Remember to discuss food prep, safety, and assign an adult to chaperone.
10-15	Closing Ceremony	Conduct your Closing Ceremony & hand out any awards
30	Clean Up	Wipe down surfaces, sweep, take out trash, turn off lights, etc.
30	Pack Up: Part 2	Pack all group supplies and load all group and individual supplies into vehicles
5	Depart Camp	Depart camp by the designated time or your reservation

Day Activity Ideas

- Nature hike
- Compass or orienteering practice
- Crafts (outdoor-themed or of natural materials)
- Gaga ball
- Leave No Trace activities
- Practice knots
- Swim (lifeguard required)

- Build primitive shelters
- Archery
- Self-led teambuilding course
- Field games
- Stream experiment or stream walk
- Canoeing/kayaking
- Complete Badge or Journey steps
- Climbing wall or other adventure elements

* Please note that not all activities are available at all GSHPA properties. Additionally, some activity areas must be rented when making a reservation. Examples: archery, climbing wall/adventure elements, canoeing/kayaking, swimming.

Evening Activity Ideas

- Night hike
- Stargazing
- Flashlight tag
- Crafts
- Board games
- Campfire/s'mores