

# 2026 HERMANN SONS LIFE CAMP INFORMATION



The HSL Youth Foundation, Inc. operates a coed, sleepaway camp for children aged 7-14 at the Hilltop Camp Site in Comfort nestled in the beautiful Hill Country of Texas.

Our mission is to provide a quality, safe, and caring summer camp program that develops healthy friendships and enriches the lives of both campers and staff by fostering self-esteem and independence through exposure to new experiences, group living and play.

HSL Camp offers an elective free-choice program with more than 25 daily activities ranging from canoeing to field sports, high rope adventure activities to crafts. Add singing, dancing and fun nightly activities that blend with past traditions and there is certainly something for everyone!

Campers and counselors live in air-conditioned cabins complete with showers, toilets, and sinks. Campers sit with their dorm roommates for all meals which are served cafeteria-style in our air-conditioned dining hall. Three meals and two snacks are provided daily.

## **SAFETY TOP PRIORITY**

Hermann Sons Life Camp works to ensure the safest possible summer camp experience. In addition to being an American Camp Association Accredited Camp that meets and exceeds ACA standards, we conduct strict annual reviews of our operating and emergency procedures.

## **MORNING ACTIVITIES**

Every morning campers participate in three activities. During registration through CampBrain, you will select six activities. Before your child attends camp, your child will be assigned three out of these six activities.

## **AFTERNOON ELECTIVES**

Campers choose their afternoon electives on a daily basis. Many of the morning activities are offered within the elective program.

Crafts are held every afternoon. Projects include lanyards, friendship bracelets, beading, ceramics, leathercrafts and tie dye.

Other activities offered include dodgeball, frisbee, mosaics, Magic: the Gathering games, improv classes, line dancing, martial arts, scavenger hunts, color guard (flags), hiking, manis and pedis, Gaelic football, netball, cricket, fishing, kayaking, golf, zip line, giant swing, climbing and more!

## **ONE-WEEK SESSIONS**

HSL Camp is open to children ages 7-14 (as of Sept. 1, 2026) and offers one-week sessions held from Sunday afternoon through Saturday morning. Campers who are within two years of age from each other are assigned to camp site dorms.

## **DAILY ACTIVITIES**

### **Adventures in Nature**

Archery

Baseball

Basketball

### **Canoeing & Kayaking**

### **Challenge Course**

Cheerleading

Climbing

Court Hockey

Dance

Drama

Fishing

Flag Football

Free Swim

Ga-ga

Golf

### **Outdoor Living Skills**

Rec Games

Riflery

Rocketry

Sand Volleyball

Soccer

Softball

Tennis

Tumbling

Twirling

**Join us for Camp Open House on June 6 - 9:30 to 1:30 - Tours, Activities, Lunch**

## DORMS

Campers live in spacious, air-conditioned, same-gender dorms with up to 35 campers and five counselors in each cabin.

Each dorm has five showers, five private stall toilets and five sinks. Showers are in individual stalls complete with changing area to ensure the camper's privacy.

## ACTIVE SUPERVISION

Campers are supervised at all times. Highly trained staff stay in the dorms with the campers and are present whenever campers have scheduled down-time in the dorm. While counselors sleep in the main dorm, they have a separate counselor room where they shower.

## DORM STAFF

The dorm staff to camper ratio follows the American Camp Association requirements. All staff undergo criminal background checks, are interviewed by the executive camp director and their names are cross-referenced with the National Sex Offender Public Website (NSOPW).

All staff members participate in an online staff development program prior to their arrival to camp, as well as an on-site staff development training.

All staff members must also participate in and successfully complete a Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Training program.

More than 90% of the counselors are former HSL campers and Counselors-in-Training (CITs). **The dorm counselors are a vital component of the camp program.**

## SENIOR STAFF

In addition to dorm staff, each dorm is supervised by an experienced, returning staff member called a senior counselor. The senior counselor's job is to supervise the dorm counselors and ensure the campers are having a fun, safe summer camp experience both within their dorms and at their activities.

## DAILY SCHEDULE

Although the schedule is designed to keep campers active throughout the day, it also intentionally includes dorm time, where the true magic of building friendships unfolds.

Note: schedules are adjusted during inclement weather or extreme hot weather days so rest-periods and cabin time can be extended.

## EVENING ACTIVITIES

The highlight of the day for many campers is the evening activity and the most popular are the Game Night and the Dance.

Enthusiasm is key, and our campers and counselors bring it every night!

### SUNDAY

Pool, gaga, kickball, campfire with s'mores

### MONDAY

The Big Brown Bag

### TUESDAY

Game night

### WEDNESDAY

Capture the Flag and pool party

### THURSDAY

Dance

### FRIDAY

Bragging rights, redneck water park, lip sync, award ceremony

## CAMP DINING

Hermann Sons Life Camp provides three meals and two snacks daily. In addition, there is always fresh fruit available in the dining hall and a salad bar is provided during lunch and dinner.

All kitchen staff members have ServSafe food handling certification.

Call Executive Camp Director Ian Brassett at 830-995-3223 with questions about special dietary needs.

2026 Camp Menu							
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
BREAKFAST	AT EACH BREAKFAST Assorted cereals, yogurt, boiled eggs, cut fruit, whole fruit	French Toast/Syrup	Pancakes/Syrup	Biscuits and Gravy	Waffles/ Syrup	French Toast Sticks/Syrup	Cinnamon Rolls
		Hashbrown Cubes	Sausage Patty	Sausage Links	Lil' Smokies	Bacon	Muffins/ Donuts
		OJ and Apple Juice	OJ and Apple Juice	OJ and Apple Juice	OJ and Apple Juice	OJ and Apple Juice	OJ and Apple Juice
LUNCH	AT EACH LUNCH AND DINNER Salad Bar, PB&J alternative, Fresh Fruit, DRINKS Punch, Ice Tea, Lemonade	Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup	Mac & Cheese	Orange Chicken/ Beef Broccoli	Spaghetti & Meatballs	Chicken Tenders	SALAD BAR  Iceberg lettuce Cucumber Cherry Tomatoes Sliced Onion Croutons Tuna Fish Pickled Beets Tofu Baby Carrots Kidney Beans Chick Peas Shredded Cheese Ranch Dressing Italian Dressing Cut Fruit
		Oyster Crackers	Broccoli	Fried White Rice	Garlic Bread	Green Beans/Candied Carrots	
		Potato Chips	Corn Bread	Egg Rolls		Mashed Potato	
				Veggie Nuggets/Sauce	Veggie Meatballs / Sauce	Veggie Nuggets/Sauce	
VEGGIE OPTION							
DESSERT		Chocolate Pudding	Jello	Fortune Cookie	Banana Pudding	Bomb Pops	
DINNER	Hot Dogs / Chili	Chicken Wings	Ground Beef Tacos	Hamburgers	Pizza	Baked Ziti	
	Baked Beans	Corn on the Cobb	Hard Shells/ Soft Shells	Sweet Potato Fries	Cheese Bread	Garlic Bread	
	Potato Chips	Raw Carrot / Celery Sticks	Chips/ Salsa	Baked Beans			
VEGGIE OPTION	Veggie Dogs	Cauli Wings	Cheese Quesadillas	Veggie Burger		Veggie Lasagna	
DESSERT	Ice Cream Cup	Watermelon	Churros	Apple Pie Egg Rolls	Watermelon	Ice Cream Cup	
PM SNACK	Ice Pops	Fruit Roll-Up	Ice Pops	Fruit Roll-Ups	Ice Pops	Ice Pops	
EVE SNACK	S'Mores	Animal Crackers	Popcorn at Game Night	Cheezy-Its	Cookies at Dance	Gold Fish	

**Camp site tours held throughout the year! Call 830-995-3223**



# Camp Monday-Thursday Schedule

Time Schedule	Daily
7:00 - 7:25 a.m.	Wake-Up
7:30 - 8:25 a.m.	Breakfast
8:30 - 8:50 a.m.	Clean for Ice Cream
8:50 - 9 a.m.	Flagpole
9 - 10 a.m.	Activity One
10:05 - 11:05 a.m.	Activity Two
11:05 - 11:15 a.m.	Punch Break
11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.	Activity Three
12:15 - 12:25 p.m.	Cabin Time
12:30 - 1:10 p.m.	<b>Relaxation / Canteen</b> (White Tail, Coyote, Bobcat)
12:30 - 1:10 p.m.	<b>Lunch</b> (Armadillo, Road Runner)
1:15 - 2 p.m.	<b>Relaxation / Canteen</b> (Armadillo, Road Runner)
1:15 - 2 p.m.	<b>Lunch</b> (White Tail, Coyote, Bobcat)
2 - 3 p.m.	Rest Period
3 - 3:10 p.m.	Flagpole
3:10 - 4 p.m.	Elective One
4 - 4:15 p.m.	Snack Break
4:15 - 5:15 p.m.	Elective Two
5:15 - 5:35 p.m.	Cabin Time
5:40 - 6:30 p.m.	Dinner
6:30 - 7 p.m.	Cabin Time
7 - 7:15 p.m.	Flagpole
7:15 - 8:45 p.m.	Evening Activity
8:45 - 9:00 p.m.	Snack Break
9 - 9:15 p.m.	Grateful Circles
9:15 - 10:15 p.m.	Showers
10:15 p.m.	Lights out



## FANCY FRIDAYS

Hawaiian shirt (optional)

- Sleep in an extra HOUR!
- French fryday breakfast
- Bragging rights in the morning
- Redneck water park in the afternoon

## Camp Friday Schedule

Time Schedule	Daily
7:00 - 8:30 a.m.	Cartoons in the dining hall
8 - 8:30 a.m.	Wake-Up
8:30 - 9:15 a.m.	Breakfast
9:15 - 9:30 a.m.	Flagpole
9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Bragging Rights
12 - 12:30 p.m.	Cabin Time
12:30 - 1:15 p.m.	Lunch – Open Seating
1:15 - 2:15 p.m.	Rest Period
3:35 - 5:35 p.m.	Redneck Waterpark
5:40 p.m.	See Monday-Thursday Schedule

Follow HSL Youth Foundation, Inc. social media for camp zoom meeting info!

# 2026 Camp Session Schedule

SESSION	DATES	THEME	AGE as of 9/1/25	Members Price		Non-Members	
Early Bird Pricing - Nov. 15, 2025–Dec. 15, 2025				Early Bird		Early Bird	
Session #1	June 7-13, 2026	Neon	7-14	\$600	\$775	\$900	\$1,075
Session #1 CIT-1	June 7-13, 2026		15	\$310	\$400		
Session #2	June 14-20, 2026	Marvel/Disney	7-14	\$600	\$775	\$900	\$1,075
Session #2 CIT-2	June 14-20, 2026		16	\$310	\$400		
Session #3	June 21-27, 2026	Halloween	7-14	\$600	\$775	\$900	\$1,075
Session #3 CIT-1	June 21-27, 2026		15	\$310	\$400		
Session #4	July 5-11, 2026	Red, White & Blue	7-14	\$600	\$775	\$900	\$1,075
Session #4 CIT-2	July 5-11, 2026		16	\$310	\$400		
Session #5	July 12-18, 2026	Texas	7-14	\$600	\$775	\$900	\$1,075
Session #5 CIT-1	July 12-18, 2026		15	\$310	\$400		
Session #6	July 19-25, 2026	Christmas in July	7-14	\$600	\$775	\$900	\$1,075
Session #7	July 26-Aug. 1, 2026	Hawaiian	7-14	\$600	\$775	\$900	\$1,075



## REGISTRATION

To register for Hermann Sons Life Camp 2026, visit [hermannsonslife.org](http://hermannsonslife.org) – Youth Foundation – Summer Camp.

Information on returning campers is stored in the registration system. Use the same email address, username and password. Please review all information for accuracy.

New campers will need to create an account with a username and password and provide all required information by following the system prompts.

## DISCOUNTS

- Hermann Sons Life junior members (**that are active policyholders in good standing**) receive a \$300 discount on camp registration fees.
- And for the first time, an early registration discount of \$175 is available from Nov. 15 through Dec. 15, 2025. The early registration fee discount will be applied once a non-refundable \$300 deposit is received.
- Families with multiple children can take advantage of a new sibling discount – the second child receives 5% off the listed fee, and each additional child (third and beyond) receives 10% off.
- Campers enrolling in more than one session will also receive a \$50 discount on each additional session.
- Registration fee installment payments will be accepted with payments due in February, March and April.

## QUESTIONS?

Hermann Sons Life Camp provides campers with wonderful memories that last a lifetime.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call:

Executive Camp Director Ian Brasset 830-995-3223 or email: [ianb@hermannsonslife.org](mailto:ianb@hermannsonslife.org)