

June 2023

Hello Camp Families!

Welcome to the 2023 season! We are so excited to be given the opportunity to spend the summer with your children. In this letter you will find some important information that will help ease your mind as you wrap up the school year and prepare yourselves to send your children off to Summer Camp.

**Tentative Camp Dates: June 19th- August 18th (9 full weeks!)**

**Sunblock**- Please apply sunblock BEFORE dropping your child/children off in the morning. Be sure to apply the sunblock as if they were wearing their swimsuits. Many times, kids will decide to play in the splash pool or sprinkler in the morning and will change into swimsuits for these activities. Additionally, it is **required** that each camper bring in a **SPRAY sunblock**, labeled with their names to be kept at camp. We will store them at camp so we can reapply as needed.

**Swim Suits**- Your child is free to wear their swimsuit as they wish. They can arrive with it on, or they can change at camp if they would like. Please be sure they do have a dry set of clothes to wear in addition to their bathing suit. Only one towel is necessary... anything more than that usually ends up lost. Your camper can wear whatever shoes they are comfortable in. Please remember that shoes are required for the bathroom, so something that is easy to put on wet feet is preferred.

**Extra Clothes**- Please throw a sweatshirt and sweatpants in your campers bag. We are open RAIN or SHINE... and wet kids on a rainy day are usually cold kids. Keeping some warm clothes in their bag “just in case” usually comes in handy.

**The Snack Bar**- Information coming soon

**Signing in and Out**- We will be using a sign in and out method when coming/leaving camp. If you need to pick up at a non-typical time, please let us know so we can get your child ready to leave in advance~ and you don't have to wait around for 20 minutes while we try to find that “other flop flip”. The “campsite” location will be near the snackbar (subject to change though!). When walking through the lobby please go to the left. You'll find us... don't worry!

**Typical Camp Routine**- Campers usually arrive between 8am-9am. You are free to drop your camper off anytime after 8am unless you have arranged for an “early dropoff”. The morning session (8:00am-12:00pm) consists of swim team practices, crafts, and other games and activities. Lunch takes place around 11:30. Everyone will be required to reapply sunblock before going into the pool. Free swim is between 12:00 and 3:30. Campers will return back to their

“campsite” to clean up and gather all of their belongings around 3:30. Most campers are picked up between 3:45-4:15. If your child is staying for “Late Stay”, they will be permitted to continue swimming/ playing as they please until you come to pick them up. If you pick up later than 4:15 you will be charged the late stay rate for the day.

**Technology Policy-** We do have a “bring at your own risk” policy for technology devices. If you choose to let your child bring their device to camp then you are ultimately assuming responsibility for any damage that could occur to said device. We will be limiting technology time, and we reserve the right to restrict certain apps and websites at our discretion.

**Food and Drinks from Home-** All food must be **Nut Free**. We do have some allergies, and safety is our number one concern. Please keep this in mind when packing your child’s lunch and snacks. Morning and afternoon snacks should be “temperature safe”, meaning refrigeration is not needed. Please pack these snacks directly into your child’s camp bag for easy access. Lunch boxes can contain refrigerated items and can be stored in our refrigerator. Your child’s lunch may contain juices and such, but juice boxes and store bought drinks will be disposed of right after lunch. Please be sure to pack a unique water bottle, labeled with your child’s name for them to keep with them throughout the day. If you would like to keep a frozen water bottle in their camp bag you may- this bottle will be poured into their reusable bottle during the day.

**What your Camper’s Camp bag should look like for the first day:**

1. Labeled sunscreen
2. Clearly labeled and unique water bottle, and a extra frozen water
3. One towel
4. A bathing suit/ goggles
5. A sweatshirt and pants
6. Two nut free snacks (AM and PM)

**Optional:**

1. Bug Spray

As always, if you have any questions please feel free to reach out!

Thank you,

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