



# **Camp Woodie Heritage Programs Handbook 2021**

*Our mission is to pass on the legacy of our wildlife and waterfowl heritage to the next generation of hunters.*

## **Camp Woodie Goals**

- Every camper will learn new skills that will be valuable to them for the rest of their life. Campers will receive recognition for observed positive behavior and also receive exposure to new activities, providing opportunity for positive risk-taking, free-play and social growth. This helps campers develop a sense of accomplishment as they develop these lifelong skills.
- Every camper will make new friends. Camp is a great opportunity to help your child see what friendship looks like through the positive role modeling of their counselors and then by providing socialization opportunities within their cabin/peer group creating a sense of belonging to a community larger than themselves.
- Every camper will share responsibilities of group living. Learning how get along with others in a close-knit environment developing their character as they make friendships that will last a lifetime.
- Every camper will gain a greater understanding of the natural environment. Attitudes that reflect care and respect for the natural environment are fostered by providing opportunities for exploration through all outdoor activities and guest seminars.

## **Arrival and Departure**

Campers should arrive at camp at the scheduled time for check-in. This will vary by program, so please consult your email confirmation and program description. If you have any question please contact Camp directly. Check-in will be in the **NEW Boyd Dining Hall** unless otherwise noted.

**Check-out also will vary by program.** Please consult your email confirmation and program description.

## **Cancellation and Refund Policy**

Cancellations made less than 1 week prior to the program will not receive any refund

## **Lost and Found**

Labeling all of your campers items will assist both camp staff & parents in identifying your camper's possessions. Due to the large number of campers and possessions, it is challenging locating lost items and sending them home, so please be sure you leave with everything your camper came with. All items left behind are kept for a short period of time and then donated. If we are able to locate any items left behind at camp, we can mail them at the owner's expense.

## **Camper Cabin Mate Request**

Campers are grouped by gender and age. When there is a difference of age, the older camper will be moved down to the younger cabin. All cabin placements are made to give all other campers the best possible camping experience. Cabin mate requests, when applicable, are done by parent/guardian as part of the registration process and can be adjusted/added after the registration is completed.

## **Accredited Camp**

Camp Woodie has been accredited by the **American Camp Association** since 2015. The American Camp Association is the standards oversight for quality camping in the United States.



## **Food**

Please do not supply your child with food, chewing gum, or candy. Help us ensure they are not bringing any food during their stay at camp. We provide ample, balanced meals and snacks. Food attracts pests, and may cause hard feelings among the other campers. Food found will be stored in the kitchen and evenly distributed among the cabin group. Please read the section below concerning the canteen snack time.

## **Camp Canteen (Camp Store)**

Canteen consist of snacks, as well as Camp Woodie merchandise. The Canteen accepts cash, checks and Visa and Mastercard.

## **Allergies**

If your child has a food allergy, be sure to leave snacks that are safe for your child. If your child has specific food requirements, please contact Camp at least two weeks prior to your child's Camp session, so we can create a plan of action. It is preferred that parents of children with specific food requirements leave food with the kitchen staff upon arrival. A menu can be requested before the start of the camp session.

## **Electronics**

Please try to limit the use of cell phones and other electronics. At Camp Woodie we focus on creating new friends with real-live people and activities. 'Unplugged for a week, connected for a lifetime'. Camp Woodie is not responsible for any lost or stolen devices.

## **Contacting Campers**

We ask parents to only call the camp in the event of an emergency situation. If your child is homesick, needs medical care or has any other complications Camp will contact you directly as soon as the situation allows. (See Below)

## **Birthdays**

If your camper is to have a birthday during their stay at camp, please notify us during check-in or via email. We will honor them with a special birthday treat, birthday wishes, and song from the entire camp.

## **Medications**

Medications can be held by the Adult with each child in a secure location to prevent others from access. Medications must be in the original container, labeled with child's name, medication name and strength, dosage, and the prescribing doctor's name on each container. Be SURE to send enough medication to last the entire session. Please also send written directions for administering the medicine.

## **Camper Behavior Policy:**

Our behavior policy is designed to help children develop self-control and assume responsibility for their actions. We are guided by our core values of faith, honesty, caring, responsibility, and respect.

Behavior Guidelines while at Camp Woodie

- I will be honest and respectful (of my peers, my camp staff, and myself).
- I will follow directions and rules at camp.
- I will act appropriately towards any camper or staff member.
- I will respect the property and belongings of Camp Woodie, other campers, and staff members.
- I will use/practice appropriate conduct and language.
- I will stay within camp boundaries.
- I will do my best to HAVE FUN!!!

Campers who stray from these guidelines will work with leadership staff to return to acceptable behavior.

## **Disciplinary Procedures**

The first violation of rules will issue a verbal warning. Camp Staff will work with the camper to discuss the inappropriate behavior, the negative impact it has and how the situation should be handled in the future. Violations occurring after this warning will result in the camper meeting with leadership staff to review the infraction, the negative impact on others and set up a plan for the future here at Camp. Any violations occurring after the second warning will result in a meeting between the campers and camp director to determine the course of action to be taken regarding misbehavior.

If a campers are sent home due to a behavior issue, no refunds will be issued.

## **Camper Safety**

Safety is our number one priority at Camp Woodie in all activities, but particularly during shooting activities. It is imperative that your camper understands the need to adhere to all rules to help ensure the safety of their fellow campers, camp staff, and themselves. Our staff team strive to make camp life fun while practicing safety first! Please talk to your child about the importance of communicating with Camp Staff should issues arise that negatively impact his or her camp experience. It is our goal to first prevent and then correct any problems that occur at camp.

## **Required Forms**

### Camper Registration and Permission Form

Please complete all necessary information online at [www.wildlifefeedcenter.org](http://www.wildlifefeedcenter.org) under the “Sign Up Now” link. You can edit/update your account at any time once you’ve created an account.

### Model Release Section

This form is signed during the registration process, and it gives SCWA and Camp Woodie permission to take “activity” photos of your child and use them to advertise and promote our summer camp as well as provide parents the ability to view their campers on Camps social media platforms. This section must be signed by a parent/guardian in order to complete registration.

### Medical Consent Form

This form will need to be completed online during registration for medical purposes. By signing this form, you will be giving Camp Woodie the right to treat, as well as the right to take campers to urgent care/hospital in the case of an emergency.

## Packing List

- Pillow & Bedding for twin bed (Sleeping bags are recommended)
- Swim Suit
- 1 Pair of Sturdy Pants
- 3 T-Shirts
- 1 Raincoat or Poncho
- 1 Pair of Old Tennis Shoes
- 3 Pair underwear
- 4 Pairs of Socks
- Flashlight/Headlamp
- 1 Long Sleeve Shirt
- 3 Pair of Shorts
- 2 Towels and 1 Washcloth
- Toiletries: Toothbrush  
Soap/Shampoo, Deodorant,  
Comb/Brush
- Sunscreen
- Bug Repellant Spray
- Bug Bite Lotion

## Mandatory Items

- Safety Glasses
- Water Bottle
- Ear Protection

## Items You May Want to Bring

- Stamped Envelopes
- Laundry Bag
- Sunglasses
- Duck Calls
- Bow & Arrows (Practice Tips Only)
- Hat/Cap Baseball or other type
- Swim Goggles
- Personal Fishing Gear (**No Treble Hooks**)
- Playing Cards
- Book to read during rest hour
- Backpack
- Water Shoe

PLEASE LABEL ALL PERSONAL GEAR WITH FIRST AND LAST NAME. CAMP WOODIE IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOST OR STOLEN ITEMS!

## Prohibited Items

- Electronics
- Knives
- Candy/Food
- Lighters
- Fireworks
- Alcohol
- Drugs
- Pets
- Crossbow

# **Directions to the South Carolina Waterfowl Association Wildlife Education Center**

Home of Camp Woodie and Camp Leopold

*You can print these directions or go to [www.wildlifeeducationcenter.org](http://www.wildlifeeducationcenter.org) to view a map! Warning: Camp is located in a very rural area. **We urge you not to use a GPS when navigating to camp! Use the directions from the handbook or online.** Cell phone reception is very limited in the vicinity of camp.*

## **I-77, I-26 & I-20 traveling South or East**

I-26 traveling through Columbia turn North onto I-77

I-20 traveling through Columbia turn South onto I-77

From I-77 in Columbia turn at exit #9 onto Hwy 378/76 east (Garner's Ferry Road) toward Sumter. Follow 378/76 about 25 miles to Highway 261 and turn right. Follow 261 for approximately 12 miles and turn right onto Camp Mac Boykin Rd. Follow Camp Mac Boykin Road for approximately 9 miles and cross the railroad tracks in Rimini, take the left fork onto Governor Richardson road. Travel 5.7 miles (follow detour signs) and turn right on St. Phillips UME Church Road. Travel 2.5 miles on St. Phillips UME Church Road to Old River Road. Turn right on Old River Road and travel 3.1 miles. Turn right at the South Carolina Waterfowl Association Wildlife Education Center Camp Woodie/Camp Leopold and large wooden and iron gates – there is a sign adjacent to them that reads “Marshall Collins Gateway.”

**I-95 traveling South** – Exit I-95 at milepost 115 (Highway 301) and go West (right). Follow 301 to the second traffic light in the town of Summerton. Continue straight through Summerton for 4.5 miles and turn left onto St. Phillips Church Road. Travel 2.5 miles on St. Phillips Church Road to Old River Road and turn right. Travel 3.1 miles on Old River Road and turn right at the South Carolina Waterfowl Association Wildlife Education Center Camp Woodie/Camp Leopold and large wooden and iron gates – there is a sign adjacent to them that reads “Marshall Collins Gateway.”

**I-95 traveling North** – Exit I-95 at Exit 108. Turn left on Buff Road and travel 0.8 miles to Church Street (Hwy 15/301). Turn right on Church street and travel 0.7 miles to traffic light. Turn left on Larry King Road (Gov. Richardson Road) and travel 4.5 miles. Then turn left onto St. Phillips Church Road. Travel 2.5 miles on St. Phillips UME Church Road to Old River Road. Turn right on Old River Road and travel 3.1 miles. Turn right at the South Carolina Waterfowl Association Wildlife Education Center Camp Woodie/Camp Leopold and large wooden and iron gates – there is a sign adjacent to them that reads “Marshall Collins Gateway.”

**Physical Address of Camp Woodie:**

**Wildlife Education Center  
8444 Old River Road  
Pinewood, SC 29125**

**Mailing address of Camp Woodie:**

**South Carolina Waterfowl Association  
9833 Old River Rd  
Pinewood, SC 29125**