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# **WELCOME** FROM OUR CAMP DIRECTOR



Dear Camper Parents, Grandparents, or Guardians,

Thank you for providing Camp Carl the opportunity to serve and care for your family this summer. It has been a privilege to serve families for 54 years, providing a fun, Christ centered encounter for all of our campers. We are so excited about what God has planned for summer 2018 at Camp Carl.

It is our desire to communicate effectively with all of our families in an effort to manage your expectations, answer your questions, and provide you with peace of mind, knowing that your child is in great hands at Camp Carl. Within this packet, you will receive up-to-date information, FAQs, and other material that will be helpful as you and your child prepare for their week at Camp Carl.

Please read the information carefully. Once you have had a chance to review the materials, please do not hesitate to contact our office at 330-315-5665 or email us at info@campcarl.life with any additional questions or concerns you might have.

Thank you again for selecting Camp Carl for your child's camp experience. We are looking forward to a terrific summer. Please know that it is an honor and a pleasure to provide an environment where your child can relax, have fun, build life-long relationships, and learn how to be the full expression of what God has created them to be!

See you soon!

Tom Sullivan | Director of Camp Carl

# **GETTING READY CHECKLIST**



Please check your Camp Carl Account (through your Camp Carl Account at www.campcarl.life. Click on My Account at the top of the home page) to be sure that all of these items are completed before your camper attends camp.

|   | Complete the Health Form ONLINE.   |
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|   | Complete the Electronic Activity Release Form ONLINE.  |
|   | Complete the Day Camp Bussing Form ONLINE.   |
|   | If you plan to car pool, please make sure everyone who will be picking up your child is listed on your account as an alternate contact/authorized pick-up. |
|   | Review the packing list and purchase necessary items.  |
|   | Pay balance for camp in full.  |

As always, if you have any questions or concerns that are not addressed in this packet, please feel free to call our office at 330-315-5665 or email us at info@campcarl.life

# WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP

## What to Pack for each day: Bring a backpack or bag with...

| Medication in original containers, inside a labeled gallon ziplock bag |
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| Bug repellent, sunscreen   |
| Wet and dirty clothes plastic bag                                      |
| Long pants for riding horses   |
| Flip Flops   |
| Tennis shoes   |
| Swimming trunks for guys   |
| Modest swimsuit that cover midriff for girls                           |
| Beach Towel  |

If you and your camper choose the overnight option, we will ask for a final decision the day before at pick-up.

# WHAT **TO BRING** & WHAT **NOT** TO BRING TO CAN

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## What you can PACK for the overnight stay (ONLY FOR JULY 2<sup>nd</sup> WEEK):

|  | Medication in original containers, inside a labeled gallon ziplock bag |
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|  | Bug repellent, sunscreen   |
|  | Wet and dirty clothes bags   |
|  | Long pants for riding horses   |
|  | Tennis Shoes   |
|  | T-shirts and shorts  |
|  | Swimming trunks for guys   |
|  | Modest swimsuit that cover midriff for girls                           |
|  | Bible  |
|  | Toothbrush and toothpaste  |
|  | Soap, shampoo, deodorant   |
|  | Towels for showering and swimming                                      |
|  | Sleeping bag or sheets and a blanket                                   |
|  | Pillow and pillow case   |
|  | Sleeping clothes   |
|  | Sweatshirt(s)  |
|  |  |

Snacks in sealed containers only. Please avoid bringing anything containing peanuts due to potential severe allergies of cabin mates.

Please do not pack anything valuable and do not over pack. Bring old items that you will not miss if they turn up lost. Camp Carl is not responsible for lost or stolen items. Lost and found items are held only two days after camper's departure. After that, they will be donated to a local rescue shelter.

### What NOT to Bring to Camp

- Any electronic device that can access the Internet breaches our security policy. If discovered by a counselor, it will be collected and stored until the end of the camper's session.
- In addition, Camp Carl cannot be responsible for lost or broken articles. Please do not bring anything that would break easily or cause loss if misplaced.
- Any web-enabled devices Cell Phones
- Computers iPads/Tablets
- Handheld video game systems
- Alcohol, Illegal drugs
- Tobacco products
- Weapons (including pocket knives and multi-tools)
- Fireworks
- Personal sports equipment (everything you need will be provided for your activities)

## ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE



# June 18 - 21, June 25 - 28, July 16 -19, July 23 - 26 No OVERNIGHT Option

#### Optional Shuttle Service Pick-Up (8:00am) and Drop-off (6:00pm) Location:

- The Chapel (Akron Campus), 135 Fir Hill, Akron, OH 44304, Fir Hill Entrance
- The Chapel (Green Campus), 1800 Raber Road, Uniontown, OH 44685, Door A

#### Drop off and pick-up at Camp Carl

- Drop-off at 9am Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday
- Pick-up at 5pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday

Please Note: If choosing to use the shuttle service, for your child's safety, they must ride the shuttle both ways every day. The exception is Thursday pick-up. Parent's utilizing the shuttle can opt to pick-up their child from camp on Thursday evening in order to attend the closing ceremony.

## July 2,3,5,6

## **Thursday OVERNIGHT option**

### Optional Shuttle Service Pick-Up (8:00am) and Drop-off (6:00pm) Location:

- The Chapel (Akron Campus), 135 Fir Hill, Akron, OH 44304, Fir Hill Entrance
- The Chapel (Green Campus), 1800 Raber Road, Uniontown, OH 44685, Door A
- The Chapel (Wadsworth Campus), 1391 State Road, Wadsworth, OH 44281, Under the Canopy
- Vienna Corporate Millwood Inc., 3708 International Blvd., Vienna, Ohio 44473

### **Drop-off and pick-up at Camp Carl**

- Drop-off at 9am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday (if not staying overnight Thursday)
- Pick-up at 5pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday (if not staying overnight), and Friday

Please Note: If choosing to use the shuttle service, for your child's safety, they must ride the shuttle both ways every day. The exception is Thursday pick-up. Parent's utilizing the shuttle can opt to pick-up their child from camp on Thursday evening in order to attend the closing ceremony.

#### Maps and Directions

Maps and Directions to Camp Carl are available on our website at http://campcarl.life/contact.

### Closing Ceremony

Closing Ceremonies begin at 4:30pm on the last day of camp. Closing Ceremony is especially designed for you and your family. Dismissal will be at 5:00pm. The counselors will honor your camper and speak of the character qualities they saw in your camper during the week. A video of your child's week at camp will also be shown. We hope you will attend!

## **IMPORTANT** THINGS TO KNOW



### **Car Decorating**

We're continuing a tradition at Camp Carl by asking you and your campers to decorate your cars for the trip to camp — with window paint, crepe paper, etc.. "Camp Carl 2018", their cabin/camper name, etc. It's a fun way to start the week, but certainly not required. You can purchase car markers at Walmart, Hobby Lobby, or Michaels. You will receive a water bottle and a Camp Carl t-shirt for your efforts!

#### **Lost and Found**

Please check the Lost and Found table in the Lodge before leaving on Friday. If you realize your camper did not make it home with an item, please call Camp office at 330-315-5665 and leave a message describing the missing item(s). Claimed items will be returned C.O.D. Items will be held for one week. Unclaimed items will be donated to charity. Please label all items and make sure that you have all of your camper's belongings before you leave. Please note that Camp Carl cannot be responsible for lost or broken articles.

### **Camper Photos**

Photos and videos of your camper, their cabin mates, and counselors will be posted on Facebook daily for you to view absolutely FREE. We encourage you to pass on your photos to friends and family.









## **HEALTH** INFORMATION



Every Camp Carl camper is required to fill out the Camp Carl Health Form online on your account. This should be completed prior to your camp week's start date.

### Special Dietary Requirements

Camp Carl is concerned about your child's health and will gladly work with you regarding special dietary restrictions and requirements. We can accommodate a gluten-free or dairy-free diet. We allow each camper to eat from a buffet line where ther will be multiple options for them to choose.

### **Lice Policy**

For the safety, health and comfort of all campers, no child with untreated lice (bugs) or lice eggs (nits) on their person or belongings will be admitted to camp. Each child will be checked for lice/nits upon arrival to camp. If lice/nits are present, they must be treated prior to admittance to camp. Parents are responsible for treatment of both their camper's belongings camper's head when lice and or nits are found at camper check-in. Please check your child within 48 hours of arriving at camp (see www.headlice.org for more information). In order to properly perform a lice/nit check, ponytails must be removed prior to check. We will do our best to do lice checks around braids but any signs of lice or nits will require that braids be taken out.

#### **Health Care Reminders**

At Camp Carl, safety is our number one priority. Your child's safety and health are of the utmost importance to us and we will provide professional and responsible care while they are at camp. To maintain our standards of excellence, we follow the regulations of the American Camp Association standards. Below are some suggestions that will improve your child's experience and expedite your check in process on Sunday.

- We have a No Nit, No Lice policy. Please inspect your child(ren) 48 hours prior to camp for lice and/or nits. If found, please treat and remove ALL nits so that they can be admitted to camp. There are a number of resources available that can assist you in this process. For your convenience, here is a sample website you can review:
  - o http://www.wikihow.com/Check-a-Child's-Hair-for-Lice
  - o Please note that every child is also checked on their arrival day by a counselor and/or Health Care Professional.
- All medications are required to be in the original packaging and contain only the medication. identified on the container. Do not put two or more different medications in the same container.
- If your child requires a prescription medication, the prescription label must be legible with the camper's name on it. Please do not use old bottles or those belonging to another family member as they will not be administered per state law.
- Please check the medication's expiration date. Expired medication will not be administered per state law.

# **HEALTH INFORMATION**



- The ONLY medications that are permitted to be kept with the counselors are RESCUE inhalers and EPI pens. These are the only medications that our counselors are trained to administer. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our Health Care Doctor during check-in.
- We do not allow campers to keep these medications themselves as it poses a threat to other campers. A counselor that has your child's rescue medication will be with your child at all times. The counselors are allowed to keep glucometers.
- Please contact our office as soon as possible at info@campcarl.life if your child has one or more of the following conditions:
  - o Requires any injectable medication
  - o Any seizure disorder
  - o Autism
  - o Asperger's Syndrome
- Any special situation that requires our attention. It is very beneficial for us to have this information as soon as possible so that we may prepare our counselors and staff.
- If your child's medication will be coming with someone who is not familiar with the dose and administration time, please be sure to send a note with the exact information. Medication administration times are during Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner and at Bedtime. Please choose which med call times you will prefer.
- If your child has surgery, a fracture or serious injury within six weeks of camp, please contact our office as a physician's release will be required.
- If contagious illness 7 days prior to camp, please contact our office to discuss specifics.
- All medications will be returned on Friday. Medications that are left over are disposed of so please be sure to stop by our Medication Return table in the Lodge on Friday. Please place all medication in a 1 gallon Ziploc bag that is labeled with your campers name.





# **GENERAL** POLICIES AND GUIDELINES



### Cabin Mate Requests

At Camp Carl, we will do our best to honor up to three cabin mate requests per camper. Groups larger than three, we will do our best to get everyone together, but can't guarantee.

#### **Cancellations**

Campers who cancel before June 1, 2018, will be refunded all payments except the non-refundable deposit of \$50. If this reservation is cancelled for any reason after June 1, 2018, all monies paid will be nonrefundable. All cancellation requests must be submitted via e-mail to info@campcarl.life. All payments are non-transferrable. Registrations not paid in full the Friday before the Sunday drop-off may be subject to automatic cancellation.

#### **Communications**

The best way to contact Camp Carl is through e-mail. Please address all correspondence to info@campcarl.life. We check our e-mail regularly and respond in a timely manner. You may also call 330-315-5665. Campers may not email or call home.

### **Camper Check-Out Policy**

Campers will be released only into the care of the adult assigned in the registration process. If other than the parent, we require an Alternative Pick-Up Form to be completed on line or during check-in.

### **Contacting Your Camper**

If an emergency arises you can call our office 24 hours a day and one of our staff will assist you. If your camper needs to contact you we will facilitate that as well. You are more than welcome to e-mail or write a letter to your camper. The address for all regular mail correspondence is:

Camper's Name and Date Camper's Cabin Number 8054 Calvin Rd. Ravenna, OH 44266

Your e-mail will be delivered directly to your camper with the daily mail call at one of our meals.





## **STAY CONNECTED**

#### WITH CAMP CARL'S SOCIAL MEDIA



### Stay Connected During Camp Week (and All Year Long!)

Camp Carl has an active presence in several areas of social media. To view the variety of ways you can communicate with us, get to know us better, and stay connected all year long.

- Live Updates on Facebook and Instagram
- Our weekly videos will be posted to our Vimeo Page (https://vimeo.com/campcarl)
- Get the latest camp news by following @campcarllife on Facebook. We'll be posting throughout the day. If you think it would be fun to hear a little bit of detail from daily camp life as a way to "follow" your child's week, then this is for you. We will not use camper names or personal information in our post, rather we will be trying to capture something from every cabin each day.
- Please give us your feedback on Google Reviews. This has been our one of our best ways to get the good word out about our camp. Search Camp Carl in Google's search engine and write a review! We greatly appreciate it!









