

# **Parent/Guardian Information Packet**

Welcome to Judson Collins Center! We offer a Christ-centered program, and welcome campers, of any denomination/affiliation. Whether this is your camper's first time coming to camp, or whether they have been coming for years – we are excited to have them here!

We have provided this information to make your camper's stay here fun, and your experience as a parent/guardian....quick, easy, and hopefully stress free.

#### **About Judson Collins Center**

Judson Collins Center is named after Judson Dwight Collins who was a part of the first graduating class at nearby University of Michigan and was one of the first American missionaries to China. Since 1952, campers have come to JCC to learn about Christ, grow in their faith, and learn to serve God and others. Even today, many campers enjoy unplugging from technology and getting closer to God at this beautiful place in nature.

# **Camper Check-In**

For most programs, camper check-in is on Sunday from 3-4 pm at the Office porch... **Grand Camp I** check-in will be on Thursday at 10 am. **Summer Fun** check-in will be on Monday at 10 am. Please do your very best to arrive on time. If you arrive early, you may have to wait until everyone is ready and in place. If you are arriving late – please call ahead at (517) 467-7711. Please make sure to leave a voice mail if no one is available to answer. We WILL check the voice mail for messages.

#### **Forms**

In order to keep registrations moving, please have the following REQUIRED documentation\*, either registered in UltraCamp when you signed up, or bring with you:

- Camp Registration Form (unless completed online)
- Health History (unless completed online)
- Medication in ORIGINAL CONTAINER with dosing instructions
- Camper Release (unless completed online) (who we can send your child home with)
- Liability Release

\*We strive to follow the best practices of our industry to ensure the very best care for your camper. Our forms help us to be the best we can, and are required as a licensed childcare provider in Michigan. Blank forms will be available at Check-in.

#### Health, Safety, and Medications

Please make sure that all prescription medications are labeled and in their original containers. Our Medical staff will collect these and administer them at the appropriate times. Many parents have found it to be a good idea only to send the required amount of medication to camp in the original container. Over the counter medications will be available for campers through our Health Officer.

#### Packing List/What to Bring

- o Bible & Pen or Pencil
- Luggage Tags
- Water Bottle (also available for sale in the Camp Store)
- Pillow, twin size bedding, or sleeping bag
- 6 Clothing Outfits (including underwear & socks)

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- o 3 pair of Long Pants
- Jacket/Sweatshirt
- Pajamas
- o 2 pairs of comfortable "closed-toed" shoes
- Swim Suit (girls: one piece or tankini, boys: swim trunks)
- Water Shoes
- o Rain Gear (poncho, rain jacket, etc.)
- Backpack
- Towel (Bath & Beach)
- o Soap, Shampoo, Toothpaste, Toothbrush
- Deoderant
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- Sunscreen
- Bug Spray
- Stamped self-addressed envelopes and stationary
- Plastic Bag for wet items
- Prescription Medications (bring separately in prescribed bottle with label)

# **DO NOT BRING**

- Negative Attitude
- Cell phones / i-Pods / breakable electronics
- Food, gum, or candy
- Pets
- Firearms, knives or any weapon
- Fireworks
- Alcohol
- Non-Prescription Drugs
- Tobacco Products

#### **Dress Code**

At Judson Collins Center, we understand that clothing is a way to express your style. We ask that campers bring appropriate clothing to be in a modest Christian setting. Tank tops are allowed. We ask that you use good judgment with the necklines and length. Please refrain from spaghetti straps. Please make sure that your shorts are of an appropriate length. We ask that they please come within a couple of inches of your knee. All undergarments should remain unseen. Water shoes are recommended for waterfront and showering times. Closed toed shoes are requested during all other events.

### Camper Contacts - E-mail/Mail/Phone

**E-mails** – You are welcome to send your child e-mail. Please address it to <a href="mailto:office@judsoncollinscenter.org">office@judsoncollinscenter.org</a> and put your child's first and last name and program in the subject line. We print e-mails once or twice a day. Please note that campers will be unable to send return e-mails.

Mail – Everyone loves mail regardless of his or her age. Please send camper mail to: Judson Collins Center 1010 Hane Hwy.
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If campers want to send mail home, we recommend sending them with pre-addressed stamped letters that are easy and effortless for them to send off. Camper mail will be collected in the Dining Hall.

**Visiting/Calling** – Camp is about making new friends, growing in self-esteem, developing independence, and having fun. If you need to call – please call us and we'll be more than happy to check in with your camper and call you back.

#### **Camp Store**

The Camp Store will be open at Camper Check-In and Check-Out along with daily throughout the week. The Camp Store contains items such as t-shirts, sweatshirts, lounge pants, towels, water bottles, postcards, stuffed animals, flashlights, jewelry, treats/snacks, and beverages that can be purchased. Funds for use at the camp store will be collected at Check-in, and will be put "on account" in the store. Average amount for camp store is \$25. Any remaining balances over \$1 will be refunded at Check-Out. Any remaining balances under \$1 will be considered a donation to Judson Collins Center.

# **Water Bottles**

In an effort to be environmentally conscious, we are NOT providing paper cups at our water stations. Campers are strongly encouraged to bring a water bottle or to purchase one in our camp store. Water stations will be set up throughout the camp for them to fill up water bottles.

### **Camp Activities**

While at camp, your camper has the chance to enjoy many activities including swimming, boating, our low ropes challenge course, box ball, cooking over a campfire, morning praise, bible study, worship, crafts, archery and much more!

# **Lost and Found Items**

Any items left after Check-Out will be held at Judson Collins Center until August 31<sup>st</sup>. After that time, items that have not been claimed will be donated to a local Goodwill or Salvation Army.

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

Please come and join us for a closing worship! On Friday check-out dates, worship will be at 2:30 pm. On Saturday check-out dates, worship will be at 9:30 am. Please be sure to bring a photo ID with you. If the person picking up your child is not listed on your camper release form, please make sure to call ahead. By law, we CAN NOT release your child to someone that we do not have permission to release them to. Please make sure before you leave camp that you have picked up any camp store refunds and camper medications.

Thank you for giving your child the gift of camp. We know God will bless this opportunity!

# Sign up for Summer 2019 & save \$20!

A **\$30 deposit** holds your spot for next year AND you get a \$20 discount off the price of the event! Note: Mini camps get a \$10 discount. Balance due 2 weeks before camp. Deposits are nonrefundable, however you can transfer your deposit between events. We'll have forms available during camper pickup (with cash, check, money order or credit card) or you can sign-up online. Please make checks payable to MAUMC.

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