# Welcome to Kingswood

#### Kingswood Day Camp Families,

We are honored you have selected Kingswood Day Camp for your daughter's summer camp experience. We will do all that we can to ensure she has a safe, fun and enriching summer.

She will be engaged in a variety of activities on a weekly basis. Our camp provides opportunities for canoeing, tennis, archery, art, drama, music, dance, nature/science, yoga and sports. All of our campers swim daily. There will be a balance of optional off-campus excursions and special activities held at camp to utilize the grounds of our beautiful and historic campus.

Our staff has been working hard to prepare and plan a fun filled experience for your daughter. We are looking forward to her joining us for a fantastic summer!



Sincerely,

The KDC Administration

## **Meet Our Directors**

#### Shemeka Martin, Director

This is Shemeka's fourth summer at KDC (her second year as director). She is originally from Georgia and graduated here at Oakland University with a degree in Elementary Education. She has been a teacher for the past 10 years as a reading interventionist, classroom teacher, tutor, and a mentor to teenage girls. When she is not at camp, she is a full-time mom to her 14month-old daughter (a future KDC camper). She is excited for the campers to come have fun and make new friends this summer.

#### Susie Zaks, Assistant Director

This is Susie's tenth summer as an Assistant Director of Kingswood Day Camp. Prior to working at Cranbrook/Kingswood, she spent over 20 years working at a large residential coed camp in Michigan. For the last 5 years at that camp, she was the Associate Director. She graduated from Eastern Michigan University with a teaching degree. She feels very fortunate to have a career in camping. She loves working with the campers and all the fun that comes with it. She can't wait for camp to begin. Go KDC!

#### Mega Gougeon, Assistant Director

Megan will be rejoining us as a our Assistant Di rector at Kingswood this summer. She was a kingswood yoga instructor the summer of 2013-2014 and she became a Assitand Director in 2015. She has spent the last four years as an Elementary school teacher teaching 7-9 years old and so excited to be back for the summer 2019.

## Coming Up

### 6/19 WACKY WEDNESDAY

Wear your favorite sports team apparel

6/21 FIELD TRIP to

Cranbrook

Institute of Science

## Reminders

- WEAR SWIM AT-TIRE UNDER CLOTHES.: swim is the first activity
- Apply/pack sunscreen & a water bottle every day.
- Please label all of your child's belongings and remember to pack a separate bag for swim.
- All campers get a hat & t-shirt, but we have extra shirts, hats, cinch sacks (great for swim!), bucket hats, towels, water bottles & UV bracelets for sale

## A few words from <u>Activity Counselors</u>

My name is **Emily Olson**, and I will be a Canoe Instructor at camp this summer. I love to be outside and stay active through sports, hiking, canoeing, etc. I just graduated from Troy High and will be attending the University of Michigan next year.

My name is **Sarah Hoover** and I will be the returning Office Administrator. I am wondering if this training is required on my end, as I have not gone on field trips in the past in order to maintain the office.

I am Heidi Bastian, this is my second year as the art instructor at Kingswood Day Camp. I am so excited for another year of crafting with the campers! When I am not making crafts at Kingswood, I like to spend summers playing with her labradoodle puppy Ginny, going hiking, swimming, barbecuing, and just enjoying the beautiful weather. During the school year, Heidi attends Alfred University in western New York state working on her doctoral degree in School Psychology. Heidi is excited to be able to relax and spend another summer doing what she loves; making art and crafts with the girls of Kingswood Day Camp!

Hi! My name is **Carly Taub** and I am so excited to be back as the Dance Instructor this year. I started dancing when I was 4 years old and have been teaching dance for 8 years. I am also an elementary teacher and will be teaching 4th grade starting next fall! I can't wait to share my love of dance with all our campers.

Hi! My name is **Olivia Vasquez**. I am a sophomore at Adrian College and the Archery Instructor this year. This is my second year working at Kingswood. I am so excited for the summer!

My name is **Rebekah Crane**, and I am entering my sophomore year at Vanderbilt University. I am double majoring in Secondary Education and Chemistry. I am the Science/Nature Instructor for Kingswood Day Camps, and I'm looking forward to all this summer has in store!

My name is **Kayla Jackson**, I am the yoga instructor. I am 21 years old. I have been working with the youth since I was 16 years old, I love it and will continue to enjoy laughing and making memories! Summer camp has been the highlight of me year for three years now and I can't wait to share this wonderful experience with this years campers!!! #kingswoodistheplacetobe

Hi, I'm **Katherine Warner** and I am the Tennis Instructor this summer. This is my second summer at Kingswood and can't wait to have another great camp season!

My name is **Elizabeth Evers**, but you can call me Liz. I am 19 years old. I played varsity volleyball and softball in high school and I played soccer for 2 years. I attend school at Saginaw Valley State University, where I am studying occupational therapy. I am your Sports Instructor for this summer and I am extremely excited to have fun playing games and being outside with all of you!

Noah Canales is the Kingswood Day Camp's drama instructor. He is currently a musical theatre major at Oakland University. He can't wait to teach everyone a thing or two about acting on the stage!

Hello! My name is **Hope Laurencelle** and I am the Music Instructor at Kingswood Day Camp. I am enrolled at Hope College Secondary Education, and I love to be creative. Most importantly, I cant wait to have a blast with your child this Summer!

## **Team Counselors**

Jackie Leonard Labadie Kasey Julian Allison Miller Hayley Shadoian Ashley Stone Abigale Smiles Marissa Kornatowski Kaitlyn Wiegand Rachel Siekkinen Mi'Kelle Williams Jessica Butler Stephanie Recknagel Andry Jaddou Merrill Baughman

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