

2019 Leadership Development Program Information Packet

Rivercrest What to Bring To Camp

- * Bible, Notebook, Pens
- * Bed Roll or Sleeping Bag and Pillow
- * Soap, Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Deodorant, Shampoo etc.
- * Beach Towel, Bath Towel(s)
- * Medications- must be in original RX bottles with clear directions (preferably in a zip lock bag)
- * Sunscreen and Bug spray
- * Closed-toed shoes and Slip-ons for pool area and showers
- * Jeans (*required* for some activities)
- * Sweatshirt or light jacket (for cool mornings)
- * Clothes (without offensive writing or advertising)
- * Work clothes (for service projects around camp and off-site)
- * Swim Suits (modest- no two piece unless it covers the stomach and back areas)
- * Raingear and clothes that can get muddy
- * Flashlight and Batteries
- * Camera
- * Extra Money- to purchase snacks and items in snack shack (or pre-pay a store deposit)
- * Stamped, addressed envelopes to send to family and friends while at camp.

What NOT to Bring:

Cell phones, ipods, tablets, electronics of any kind, fireworks, matches, lighters, cigarettes and tobacco, knives or weapons of any kind, bubble gum or sunflower seeds, skateboards, bikes, unicycles.

Packing Tips:

LABEL EVERYTHING! Put your name on your clothes, camera, bible, pillow, sleeping bag, etc.

- 2. Pack your clothes in a **soft-sided duffel type bag**: These will fit under the beds more easily.
- 3. Leave valuables at home- including jewelry, keepsakes, cell phones, ipods, tablets etc.
- 4. Place all bedding, pillows, etc in a **large clear plastic bag**. If it is raining or muddy outside, your things will remain dry.

Rivercrest Lodging Assignments

One of the fun things about camp is being able to share it with your friends. CITs and LITs attending the same session are automatically in the same cabin as the other participants of the same gender.

Rivercrest Special Needs

From anxiety to special dietary concerns, we try to accommodate your child's needs. Please call us to discuss your child's specific needs prior to camp!

If you have any questions or wanted to discuss your camper's specific needs, please call our office at 402-628-6465 or e-mail info@camprivercrest.org

Rivercrest Manage Your Camp Rivercrest Account

Manage Your Account:

You can access your account 24/7! Every camper has an account, even if they registered in paper form. Call the office at 402-628-6465 or email us at info@camprivercrest.org for your personal login information. Office hours are 9 am-5pm Monday-Friday. You can check your balance, see your child's immunization records, add money to their store account, etc. on your online account. All additional purchases must be done with camp office staff at least 1 week prior to each session.

Rivercrest Directions to Camp

Where are we located?

The camp address is 2840 County Rd 13, Fremont, NE 68025

FROM LINCOLN: Approx. 1 hr. from I-80

Take I-80 to Hwy 77 to Fremont/Wahoo (Exit 405). Go north and stay on Hwy 77 approx 21.6 miles. Continue on 77 north around Wahoo. Turn north on Hwy 109 toward Cedar Bluffs (Lake Wanahoo will be on your left). Continue straight ahead on Hwy 109 approximately 11 miles north.

Turn right (east) when you get to Cedar Bluffs in order to stay on Hwy 109.

Turn left (north) at County Rd 13 (look for our Camp Rivercrest sign!)

Go approx. $1-\frac{1}{2}$ miles north on the gravel road, keep going straight after the stop sign at County Rd Y.

Turn right into Camp Rivercrest and follow instructions from the parking attendants.

FROM OMAHA: Approx. 45 minutes from Hwy 275

Take Dodge, West Center Road, or Maple; west to Hwy 275.

Enter Hwy 275 (west) towards Fremont and exit at Military Ave.

Go left (west) on Military Ave. approx 3 miles to Broad Street (Hwy 77).

Go left (south) on Broad Street approx 3 more miles (you will cross over the Platte River).

Turn right (west) on Hwy 109 and continue until you reach County Rd 13

(Look for our Camp Rivercrest sign!)

Turn right on County Rd 13 and go approx. 1.4 miles (north) to camp entrance, then follow instructions from the parking attendants.

Parking:

Please pull into the main camp area and park your vehicle in front of the Welcome Center (the first building on your left). Check-in for LDP campers is in the Bishop Meeting Room (BMR), next to the Welcome Center. We will take all of your camper's labeled luggage at this time.

We love pets... but please leave them at home! We have a no pet policy (unless it's a service animal) on grounds and in buildings. Thank you!

Please be sure to mark **all** baggage (bedding, duffle bag, AND items within the baggage) clearly with your child's first and last name. Also, you will need all your child's **medications** to give to the nurse, and **money** (if you would like to put snack shack money on your account) at check-in. Please leave it out of the luggage to check-in at the Bishop Meeting Room.

Rivercrest Check in and Check out

Opening Day:

Opening day is **SUNDAY** for all LDP sessions and check-in is from **2:30-3:00 PM**. If you have questions regarding your specific child or his/her needs, please phone our office at 402-628-6465 prior to camp, discuss it with the Guest Services Coordinator during check-in, or ask to speak with the Camp Director when you arrive at camp.

Camp does <u>not</u> open until 2:30 pm on Sundays, so you will not be able to check-in until 2:30 pm. Please do not come before 2:30 pm. It is important that our staff participate in a weekly worship service and we need time to get ready for your arrival! We also discourage late arrivals- our staff work hard to help everyone have a great first day of camp.

If you know you MUST arrive late, please call our office in advance to make arrangements for late check-in. Late arrivals will **not** be accepted after 9 pm on opening day, and must wait to arrive the following morning after 9 am.

Closing Day:

Closing day is **FRIDAY** for all **LIT** camps and **WEDNESDAY** for each **CIT Training** session.

On closing day, Parents must pick up their campers at 4:00 pm at specially marked areas outside the chapel. Parents (or authorized pick-up persons) MUST SIGN OUT their camper with the camper's counselor before leaving camp! Luggage & other belongings will be on the basketball court near the chapel. Look for your child's cabin name!

Important note:

Children may only leave with an Authorized Pickup person on your account!

Please note: only the parent who is the <u>primary account holder</u> on your account is automatically an **Authorized Pickup** person. You **must** add additional persons (spouse, friend, family, etc.) to your account as an **Authorized Pickup** person in order for him/her to pick up your child at camp. If your child will be driving him/herself, the child must be listed as an authorized pick-up and sign him/herself out.

Under NO circumstances may campers leave camp without the knowledge of camp staff! Please be sure to sign your child out with his/her camp counselor the last day of camp!

Lost and Found:

Before you leave camp, make sure to check out our lost and found tables!

All items left at camp will be discarded after each session. We are not able to ship or store lost items.

Remember: write your name on EVERYTHING! Your children do not always recognize their own clothing and other items you send to camp!

Rivercrest Health Policy

For the health and safety of all campers and staff:

All campers will be screened during the check-in process on opening day of each session. Campers exhibiting the following conditions will be sent back home.

NO EXCEPTIONS!

- * A fever of 99.6 or higher
- * Severe viral respiratory congestion/cough
- * Vomiting/diarrhea within the last 8 hours
- * Head lice
- * Flu-like symptoms
- * Chicken pox (or other obvious communicable disease symptoms)

All campers need to be current on their immunizations. Immunization records are **required** for each camper. These can be sent directly to our office by your doctor (fax or email). Our fax # is 402-628-6035, or email: info@camprivercrest.org Once we have received it, a copy of your child's immunization record will be downloaded to your Camp Rivercrest account.

To view your child's Health Information: from your Camp Rivercrest account page, click on your child's name (in blue) and then on <u>Forms</u>. Parents will be able to see if a current Health History or Immunization Record is on file for each child. Parents are responsible to send updated information each year.

In the event of an out-break or suspected case of a vaccine-preventable disease, campers that have not been vaccinated for any reason (or if we do not have proof of immunizations) will be sent home.

Rivercrest Camper medications

To enable check-in on opening day to go quicker, we would like to encourage you to take this time (before your child comes to camp) and make sure the medications your child will be taking during camp are entered into your child's online reservation **and** that you have specified the over the counter meds that the health staff can give to your child if needed.

We stock a variety of OTC meds that we are able to give with your permission, as needed, such as Zyrtec, Claritin, Benadryl, Ibuprofen, Tylenol, Cough syrup, calamine lotion, Sudafed, cough drops, antibiotic ointment, and Tums.

If your child takes as-needed medications that we stock (see list above), we would prefer to use our medication as it saves space. We MUST have your permission to give any of these medications; you may also choose to check the box that states we must call you before giving any of these to your child.

If your child takes a certain medication routinely, we ask that you bring it for him/her in a clear zipper-type bag with any written instructions included in the bag. If it is a prescription medication, it MUST be in the original labeled container from the pharmacy with your child's name on it. We do prefer medications are taken at breakfast, lunch, or dinner. Sleep-aids or prescribed evening medications can be given after chapel time (approximately 9 pm) if needed.

Thank you for your assistance in helping us to provide the best care for your child!

Illnesses during Camp:

Campers diagnosed with contagious symptoms such as **pink eye** or **strep throat** will be sent home, but may return to camp after being on a physician prescribed antibiotic for 24 hours. If your child is identified with **head lice** during camp, you will be notified to pick up your child and keep them at home until treatment has occurred and the issue is resolved. The camper will be allowed to return to camp only after inspection by the health care professional.

If your child **develops a fever or other symptoms** of a contagious illness, he/she will be separated from the other campers and we will attempt to reach parents first. If parents cannot be reached we will phone the names of the secondary contacts as provided on the child's registration. The camp healthcare professional, after speaking with the parent, will determine if the child needs to return home.

Your child must be fever-free for at least 24 hours without the use of anti-fever medications before they can return to camp.

If you would like to speak with our camp health professional during camp, please call our camp office (402-628-6465) and ask to speak to the health office.

Rivercrest Communication

When campers are asked what makes them feel connected with their family while they are away at camp, the #1 answer is **MAIL**!

E-Mail

Stay in touch with you campers through Bunk Notes! Get registered for Bunk1 at www.bunk1.com/en/token/signup with Invitation Code: buriedtreasure1344

Snail Mail

Send letters or packages early in the week (or even the week before!)

OR

Bring mail with you during check-in and we will deliver it to your camper throughout the week! Please write the day of the week on each piece so that we know when you would like your child to receive it.

Address mail to:

Campers Name/ Session or dates/Cabin name (if known) C/O Camp Rivercrest 2840 County Road 13 Fremont, NE 68025

Phone Calls:

We understand that it can be hard to leave your camper for a week. However, we ask that you refrain from calling during his/her stay at camp. Please feel free to call our office if there is an emergency. If we are not in the office, please leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Remember that cell phones are NOT permitted during your child's camp session. Please do not try to contact your child via his/her cell phone as it will not be nearby. Please leave cell phones at home.

Check out the Camp Rivercrest Facebook page for live videos and daily updates during camp!

Visitors:

Visiting camp while it is in session is strictly prohibited without prior permission from our Camp Director. We strictly enforce this rule in order to protect all campers and staff during summer camp. **If for any reason you must return to camp**, please call the office prior to your arrival at 402-628-6465.

If you are picking your student up for any reason, please call us at least 2 hours before you arrive. We will give you instructions on when and where to pick up (and sign out) your child.

Just a reminder:

LDP students may only leave with an <u>Authorized Pickup</u> person on your account! See page 4 of this document for details.

Rivercrest Extra Camp Options

Snack Shack deposits are a great way to guarantee that your LDP child's store money is secure and easily reached during free time. You can deposit Snack Shack money in any increment, and it can be deposited online, by phone, or when checking in the first day of camp.

Examples of prices in Snack Shack: candy 25¢ to \$1.00, drinks \$1.00 to \$2.25, other food items 50¢ to \$1.50, clothing \$10 to \$25

Any money left over on your child's Snack Shack account at the end of *each session* will show on your Camp Rivercrest account. This can be used by a sibling for another camp session *if* you notify our office and request to have the money transferred to a sibling.

At the end of the summer season, if you have **more than \$10** in Snack Shack credit on your account; you will receive an email; asking if you would like to donate your credit to our Financial Assistance Fund or receive a refund check by mail.

Please note: Snack Shack credits that are less than \$10 are not eligible for refunds and are automatically donated to camp at the end of each Summer Camp Season.

If you have any questions regarding our Summer Camp Program, please call our office at 402-628-6465 or send us an email: info@camprivercrest.org

We look forward to a great summer with your kids!

Camp Rivercrest Staff