

# Important Parent Information for Farm Camp

## **REGISTRATION PAYMENT:**

All camp balances were due in full as of May 10<sup>th</sup>. Please submit any remaining payments for camp. If camp balances are not paid in full by August 23<sup>rd</sup>, a late fee of \$25 per month will be assessed to your membership account.

## **CANCELLATION POLICY:**

You may cancel a week of camp at any time. A \$25 cancellation fee will be in effect for any week canceled beginning June 1<sup>st</sup>. Any camp fees paid for a cancelled week will be credited to your Farm account. There will be no fee for switching weeks to any available week.

## **FOOD IN CAMP:**

We will provide snacks and water and other food options on special event days (Fiesta, Camp Pool Party, July 4<sup>th</sup> Picnic). If you feel more comfortable providing food and snacks from home, please do so. Our snacks consist of animal crackers, cheese-its, goldfish, nilla wafers, graham crackers and the occasional popsicle on Fridays. If your child has allergies to the snacks listed above, please bring an appropriate snack your child can eat.

The Farm also has a vending machine and snack machine that may be used by campers during the lunch hour. Counselors will walk campers to the machines at the beginning of lunch. Campers will be limited to one drink and one snack from the vending machine. If your child requires more than one pack of skittles per day, you must provide a written note to the director.

## **T-SHIRTS:**

T-shirts will be distributed on the first day of every week to new campers. Extra camp shirts are available for purchase in the main office for \$10.

## **TECHNOLOGY:**

No cell phones, game consoles or music devices allowed during camp hours. If your child brings devices to be used after camp or in case of emergencies, we ask that they stay in back packs until camp is over. Campers seen using devices will be asked to hand them over to the director until the end of the day.

## **ILLNESS DURING CAMP:**

Children with the following symptoms cannot attend camp:

Elevated temperature, diarrhea or vomiting, undiagnosed rash, sore or discharging eyes or ears or profuse nasal discharge, diagnosed contagious disease such as chicken pox, strep throat or whooping cough. Children who become ill during camp will be provided with a comfortable place to rest until parents arrive. Parents will need to pick up ill children within one hour.

Emergency services will be obtained through 911 for any instance that requires more than American Red Cross Standard First Aid training. Attempts to reach a parent or other designated guardian will be continued until someone is reached. Parents should be sure to let those around them know where they are during the day in case you are away so that coworkers or family can find you in case of an emergency.

## **WEATHER AND EMERGENCIES:**

During inclement weather, campers will be kept indoors and we will have alternate activities such as indoor games, crafts and/or movies. In the event of fire, tornadoes, hail, hurricane or police emergencies, campers will be kept in an appropriate and safe location and camp staff will notify parents as soon as possible. During emergency situations, parents may call the main office (919)962-3276 to inquire about their children or permitted to retrieve their child from camp. During excessively hot weather, typically 95 degrees or hotter, camp schedules will be altered to provide more inside time or increased swimming time.

**DISCIPLINE:**

We will use our best judgment to determine if a child needs to be removed from camp. If a child is removed from camp more than twice, we will kindly ask that your child be removed from the camp roster for any following week. It will be up to the manager and camp director as to whether or not the child will be allowed back in camp.

**DROP-OFF, PICK-UP and MISC.****Little Farmer's:**

Drop-off and pick-up will take place in the shelter beside the clubhouse. Please be sure to bring your child to the shelter and check in with one of the two directors. Regular pick-up will take place between 2:00-2:30 and extended day pick-up may take place between 2:30-3:30. Extended day pick-up will take place inside the clubhouse. Please be sure your child comes to camp wearing their swim suit. We ask that you apply sunscreen before camp and leave sunscreen in their bag for application after swim time.

**Day Camp:**

Drop-off and pick-up will take place in the larger shelter closest to the bamboo known as the lower shelter. Please be sure to bring your child to the shelter or make contact with a counselor to ensure the director has signed your child into camp. Regular pick-up will take place between 3:00-3:30 and extended day pick-up may take place between 3:30-5:30. Extended day pick-up will take place inside the clubhouse. Bathing suits should be in bags along with tennis racquets.

**Youth Camp:**

Drop-off and pick-up will take place in the shelter closest to the main road known as the upper shelter. Please be sure to bring your child to the shelter or make contact with a counselor to ensure the director has signed your child into camp. Regular pick-up will take place between 3:00-3:30 and extended day pick-up may take place between 3:30-5:30. Extended day pick-up will take place inside the clubhouse.

**All Camps:**

If you plan to have a babysitter/friend or other guardian pick-up your child, please let the camp director know of the change. Be on time for pick-up (regular pick-up and extended day pick-up)! A late pick-up constitutes picking up 10 minutes or later past scheduled pick-up time. We allow one grace period for late pick-ups after which a \$10 late fee will be assessed for each occurrence.

**Farm Camp Check Out Policy:**

The Farm has always relied on a familial atmosphere and has not required identification to sign out children from camp. We have allowed directors to release children to parents or pre-approved child care givers. Please let us know if you do not feel comfortable with our current sign out procedure and would like to require identification verification to sign out your child. Email [uncfarm@hotmail.com](mailto:uncfarm@hotmail.com) and provide the names of individuals allowed to pick up your child. This list will be given to directors and your child will not be allowed to leave camp unless someone on the list has shown proper identification (driver's license). As a reminder, please provide email confirmation if your child is in Youth Camp and you would like them to be allowed to stay at the pool after camp.