

GREAT LAKES REGION YOUTH CAMP

Camp Buckeye

July 26 – July 29, 2009

Location: Camp Buckeye, 10055 Camp Road N.W., Beach City, OH, 44608 is located approximately 20 miles south of Canton, Ohio fairly close to the intersection of Routes 21 and 250. Camp Buckeye's website is www.campbuckeye.org.

Phone: (330)756-2380

Ages: Campers should be 6-12 years of age as of July 26, 2009

Activities: Christian living classes, swimming, arts & crafts, cooking class, soccer, archery, kickball, campfires, sing-a-long, fishing, nature hike, and others.

Personal Items to bring:

Clothes for each day	Flashlight
Swimsuit & sunscreen	Insect repellent
Sneakers	Toothpaste/toothbrush
Hat for sun, poncho for rain	Bar of soap & shampoo
Sleeping bag (or sheets/blanket)	Hair brush/comb
Pillow	New White T-shirt (for painting)
2-3 towels & washcloth	Flip flops or aqua socks (optional)
Old sneakers for creek walk	Plastic bag for wet clothes
Water: Minimum of 6 bottles (16.9 oz.)	Boys: 1 bottle of juice
Girls: 2 dozen cookies	

(Please do ***not*** bring radio/IPOD/CD/MP3 players, electronic devices, electronic games, cell phones, knives, firearms, fireworks, etc.)

Arrival Schedule: (Sunday, July 26, 2009)

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Staff Arrives and registers
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Staff Meeting and Orientation
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Campers arrive and register
5:00 PM - 5:30 PM	Camper Orientation
5:30 PM	Activities Begin

(NOTE: Staff is reminded to bring a sack lunch for Sunday since the kitchen will not yet be functioning)

Departure Schedule: (Wednesday, July 29, 2009)

5:00 PM	Dinner
6:00 PM	Closing Ceremony (Parents encouraged to attend)
7:00 PM	Campers Depart

Application Deadline:

Applications must be postmarked no later than June 15, 2009.

Special Notes for Parents

- ◆ We are required by law to request more detailed health information including a health examination within 24 months of the start of camp. Please be sure to fill out and return the Health History And Examination Form. Pages 1-4 are for parents to fill out and page 5 should be completed and signed by licensed medical personnel. The exam must be done within the last 24 months. If you had an exam for camp last year you may send a copy of that.
- ◆ At the end of camp if someone other than you (parent) is picking up your child, the parent must send a signed note of permission to registration on Sunday.
- ◆ Parents will need to judge their children's maturity in preparing for camp. At a bare minimum, campers should be able to tie his/her own shoes, walk in line, listen to and follow instructions, and use the restroom without adult assistance.
- ◆ Prior to camp, parents are asked to discuss the following with their children:
 - Come to camp with a **PMA** - *positive mental attitude!* Be ready to jump into activities wholeheartedly, participate in everything, and do it all in an attitude of unity and teamwork, always encouraging and not complaining.
 - Work hard at developing friendships and getting along with everyone. Meanness, name-calling, fighting, put downs, are unacceptable and will not be tolerated.
 - Be responsive and respectful to the counselors and other staff members.
- ◆ Practical jokes are prohibited at camp. While they appear to be fun at the start, past experience shows that they quickly escalate and do damage to people and/or property.
- ◆ Discipline policy:
 - Our discipline philosophy is based upon a firm but fair adherence to four policies: those coming to camp must respect authority, respect others, respect the property/facility, and respect self.
 - Counselors will strive to head off any discipline problems by positive teaching.
 - For minor infractions (meaning actions that do not affect the attitude, health or safety of the camper or others) we will administer punishments such as extra cleanup duty, missing all or part of an activity, sitting or walking with the counselor, a writing assignment, etc.
 - For major infractions (meaning actions that cause dissension, adversely affect the attitude, health or safety of the camper or others) the counselor will confer with the Camp Director and/or another ministerial staff member who will arrange appropriate disciplinary measures. This will likely include calling the parents for their advice and input. In rare, urgent circumstances a child may be expelled from the camp and parents will be expected to come and get their child immediately. (Note: corporal punishment {spanking} will not be utilized as a form of discipline while at camp.) If you have any questions regarding the discipline policy, please feel free to contact the camp director.
- ◆ If you are having financial difficulty, please check with your pastor before deciding that your child cannot attend. We want every eligible child who wishes to attend, to be given that opportunity and so do others in your congregation who may be able to help. We will strive to make attendance possible for all the kids who desire to come.

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