



# First Day of Camp Letter

## Welcome to Twilight Park Day Camp - 2024

*Here are some important details to make TPDC a wonderful and safe experience for all.*

**Drop Off is 8:50 a.m. and activities start promptly at 9:00 a.m.** Please park in the parking lot next to the tennis courts. Half day children (Finches) go directly to the Camp House Play Room where they will be received and checked in by their Counselors. Full day children will be checked in near the side lawn of the Club House. Children will not have supervision before 8:50 and can not be dropped off early.

**Health Check** - Please do not bring your camper to Camp if they have a fever or are not feeling well. Please let a Camp Director know if your camper has been exposed to any communicable disease including COVID -19. Unvaccinated campers exposed to COVID-19 may be required to test before camp or wear a mask at camp. If the Counselor observes any sign of illness they will bring your child to the office for observation.

**Bird Groups** - Your child has been assigned to a specific Bird group based on their age and prior experiences. This will be your child's group for the week. A sign will be located at each drop off area where you can find your campers name.

**Flag Ceremony** - Everyday at approximately 9:00 am and 2:50 pm we have a flag ceremony and general camp announcements on the side lawn of the Club House. Parents may stay to observe the Flag ceremony from the road/parking lot, but note that parking is limited.

**Pick Up** - Half day children (Finches) will be picked up at Wingate Field (or Pool House if raining) at 1:00 pm. The older campers will normally finish their day after Flag at 3:00 pm. Please park in the parking lot when possible. Full day children need to return their name tag, be checked out by their counselor and then may be released to parent or guardian.

### **What to Bring to Camp**

- Backpack- Campers will carry their personal items around campus.
- Non-perishable snack
- Lunch including drink (no refrigeration available)
- Tennis racket with child's name (we do have plenty of extras)
- Athletic sneakers - no sandals or flip flops at camp
- Sunscreen and bug spray ( Counselors will only assist with application of spray. Lotions will need to be applied by the camper)
- Towel and bathing suit (water goggles and water shoes - if desired)
- Water bottle with child's name - if your camper does not arrive to camp with a water bottle camp will provide one for \$6
- Rain jacket- check the weather! Campers may be outside in the rain

### **Additional Items**

- Water shoes: only if your child will kayak that day (we will let you know)
- Camping Gear-(sleeping bag, flash light) campers over age 5 will have camp outs during the summer

### **What Not to bring to Camp**

- Valuables i.e. jewelry, money (if your camper needs to bring money for an off-site trip we will let you know)
- Weapons or anything considered dangerous
- Cell phones or any other wi-fi enabled device including apple watches
- Cameras or any electronic device that captures photos or videos
- Toys or games from home
- Electronic games, Ipods, etc.

**Sunscreen** - We will not supply sunscreen for campers. Please apply sunscreen to your child each day before camp and send some in their backpack for re-application during the day. We will assist 3-5 year olds with sunscreen re-application.

**Ticks** - Ticks are a big problem on the mountaintop each year and the campers will be reminded periodically during the day to check for ticks. We also ask that parents please check for ticks immediately after camp. Please apply bug spray to your child each day before camp.

**Emergency Contact** - If you need to contact us during camp please call the Camp Office at 838-202-4141.

**When Not to Come to Camp** - If your child has had a fever within the last 24 hours or has a potentially contagious illness. Please let us know when you are not coming to camp.

**If you are delayed in arriving** - Give us a call at the Camp Office 838-202-4141 and when you arrive go to the Camp Office to check in.

**If you are late for pickup** - Give us a call at the Camp Office 838-202-4141 and if needed leave a message. Your child will be kept at the Camp Office until you arrive.

**Walking home from Camp** - Please ask about release forms if you live nearby and want your older child to walk home from camp.

If you would like a Tour or a Meeting with Lizzy Slutzky-Cahill, our Camp Director, please call her at 838.202.4141 or send an email to her at [lizzyslutzkytpdc@gmail.com](mailto:lizzyslutzkytpdc@gmail.com) to set up an appointment.

**Also please complete our 2024 Camper Agreements. These should be reviewed with your camper, signed and brought to your child's orientation or the first day of camp**

Be Prepared for the BEST SUMMER EVER!!!!