# CAMP KINGFISHER

# Seasonal Parent Packet

#### WELCOME TO CAMP KINGFISHER!

We're excited for your campers to join us for our Thanksgiving Break Camp this year! Please review this helpful guide on what you need to know and how to prepare your camper to succeed with us!



## PICK UP PASS EMAIL: RECEIVED BEFORE CAMP

Every family will receive an email the Friday before camp with the following information:

- Pick- up Pass: will have your camper(s) name and group number listed
  - o This is required to be shown to an admin during the pick up process to verify camper pick up authorization.
    - We suggest to take a screenshot of your pick up pass and add it to your 'favorites' album on your phone for quick access.
  - We ask that the primary account holder forwards their pick-up pass to all those they authorize to pick up the camper from our facility.
- <u>Camper Schedules and Account Reminders</u>- we will provide a link to the campers' schedules as well as a few account reminders such as to submit both the camper form and immunization form before the start of the session.

# **DROP OFF:**

- Each day, carpool drop off will run from 8:00am to 9:00am.
- We ask that only campers exit the vehicle.
  - o If camp families need extra time to say goodbye or to prepare for the camp day, we ask you to please park in a parking space before entering the carpool drop off lane.
- Our Camp Admin team will check campers in and assist them to their groups.
  - o If we notice that there is an incomplete form under your camp account, we will ask for you to pull over and complete the forms before you leave .
  - Ask us questions! If you have not received your digital pick-up pass through email, let us know and we will
    make sure it gets sent to the right address

If you arrive anytime after 9am, please bring your camper up to the camp office to be checked in. We will have signage showing you where to go both outside and inside our Administration and Education building.



- We operate carpool style for pick up, and it runs from 3:45pm to 4:45pm for both Monday and Tuesday.
  - o Wednesday pick up will start at 12:30pm and end at 1:00pm
- Pick-up Passes will be shown to the admin assisting with the check-out process before the camper is brought out to your vehicle.
  - o If you do not have your pick up pass during check out, we will require to see photo ID
  - Have a camper in aftercare? Please park and walk inside, with your pick up pass ready, to check your camper out.

## LATE DROP OFFS/ EARLY PICK UPS:

- If you are picking up your camper early, we ask you to let us know during carpool drop or by calling the camp cell number.
- We will not be able to accommodate any pick ups that are made any time after 3:30pm.

Early Pick Ups/Late Drop Offs can also be assisted by the Camp Registrar either by phone at (770) 992-2055 Ext. 222 or through email at <a href="mailto:kingfisher@chattnaturecenter.org">kingfisher@chattnaturecenter.org</a>.

## WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP

#### **Necessities:**

- Reusable Water Bottle: we ask that it be filled with water only.
- **Comfortable Clothing:** we ask campers to be dressed in clothes that are weather appropriate that can also get dirty.
- Close-toed shoes: tennis shoes, sneakers, hiking shoes, etc. No slides, crocs or flip flops.
- Lunch and Two Snacks: please pack and label all snacks and lunches. Lunches will be stored inside but will not be refrigerated. Campers do not have access to a microwave. Please pack all utensils needed as Camp Kingfisher does not provide silverware.

If your camper will be in aftercare, we highly suggest packing a third snack for the camp day.

#### Optional:

- Change of Clothes/Shoes: your camper may get dirty; please include socks and underwear.
- Gloves: if necessary, we recommend for break camp in the cooler months.
- **Sunscreen/Chapstick:** if needed, as sunburns can still occur even in the cooler months. Campers are responsible for reapplying sunscreen.
- Rain Jacket: If rain is in the forecast.
- Layers: highly recommended to accommodate for the changing weather.
- Earmuffs/Warm Hats



- **Electronics:** Please no cell phones or smart watches.
- Toys: trading cards, stuffed animals.
- Valuables: we will be utilizing Chattahoochee Nature Center's entire 127 Acres of land during camp, so we would hate for anything that's considered valuable to get lost during the camper's time with us.

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#### LOST AND FOUND

• Camp Kingfisher will **not** be held responsible for any lost items, and we kindly ask to please not bring valuables to our facility. Please help your camper(s) take responsibility for belongings

#### Please label everything

We try to match labeled items to campers, and we will have a Lost and Found table set up during pick up on the last day of each session. All lost and found items that were not collected on the last day of camp, will be held in the camp office two weeks after the session and then will be donated to charity after.

### **CAMPER EXPECTATIONS**

We have established expectations to help all campers succeed at having a safe, unforgettable, fun filled camp experience with us. We ask each camp family to review and discuss these expectations prior to the camper's arrival with us, so they are aware of how we expect all campers to behave in person and online.

#### **Respect Yourself:**

- Keep your hands to yourself please.
- Treat others how you would like to be treated: we do not tolerate disrespectful language or bullying
- Stay Hydrated
- Let a counselor know when you need help
- It's okay to make mistakes and learn from them

#### **Respect Nature:**

- Observe, but do not bother living things: use eyes, not hands, sticks, etc.
- Explore and learn without disturbing habitats
- Stay on the trail

#### **Respect Camp Staff and Fellow Campers:**

- Listen to counselors/instructors and follow directions
- Walk in the gym
- Take only what's needed
- Help clean any messes that you help make
- Speak with your counselor if you need help

<u>Positive Reminders/Feeback</u>: Administration and counselors will provide friendly reminders and positive feedback of the camper's good choices during their time with us.

If you have questions about behavioral strategies, please contact our Camp Co-Directors:

Debby Head at <u>d.head@chattnaturecenter.org</u> or Laura Viator at <u>l.viator@chattnaturecenter.org</u>



# **Questions About Camp?**

# **Contact the Registrar!**

**Email Sarah** 

Call Sarah (ext. 222)