

Cranbrook Day Camp

Week
Three

The Amazing Race Closing Ceremonies capped off week 2, but week 3 is gearing up with more thrilling experiences. Starting Thursday, we party like it's the fourth of July with our own July 4th Carnival. BBQ, Dunk tank, Cotton Candy, and more fun and exciting carnival games. Our counselors will continue to be encouraging of our boys of summer to try something new or dare them to push their limits at different activities. Next week, the campers will try their hand at some new things, and the CDC Counselor Volleyball World Championship will commence.

SWIM SCHEDULE

- Monday - All Groups Swim
- Tuesday - All Groups Swim
- Wednesday - All Groups Swim
- Thursday - No pool - July 4th
- Friday - All Groups Swim

" I saw a crane, a turtle, a big fish, and a lot of geese. That was cool."



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Camp Highlights



GOING GAA-GAA
for GAGA BALL!



Its no secret that Gaga ball is one of our favorite activities here at Cranbrook Day Camp! A gentler version of dodgeball that originated in Israel in the 1970's, the term GaGa means "touch" or "hit" in the Hebrew language.



The game combines dodging, striking, running, and jumping, with the objective of being the last person standing. Players hit the ball at each other with their hands, and are eliminated if the ball strikes them on or below the knee.



To start a game of Gaga.....

- One person throws the ball up in the air and allows it to bounce three times.
- When the ball bounces, all of the players shout "Ga!" each time.
- After the third time the ball has bounced, the game has officially begun!



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ARTS & CRAFTS WITH ALLISON

The campers whipped up their very own bubble wands and put them to the test!



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Counselor Spotlight

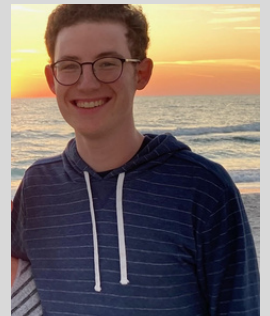


Allison - Arts & Crafts

This upcoming summer will mark my fourth year at Cranbrook Day Camp, and I am eagerly looking forward to guiding the campers through Arts & Crafts. Recently, I graduated from MSU with a BA in English and certification in secondary education, and I am thrilled about the opportunity to teach in the Lake Orion school district next year. Working with children is particularly rewarding to me due to their positive outlook and attitude towards life.

Alex - Rhinos

I am looking forward to another wonderful summer at CDC. I'm majoring in Philosophy at the University of Michigan. In my free time, I enjoy playing basketball, tennis, and ultimate frisbee. Additionally, I provide play-by-play commentary for my college radio station. I'm a huge fan of Star Wars, and I also love to read!



Reilly - Toucans

This will be my 4th summer at CDC and I am really looking forward to another eight weeks with an amazing group of campers! I am a Psychology major at Michigan State University and my hobbies include travel, spending time with friends and family, and walking my dog!



JJ - Cheetahs

My full name is Jean Jacques, but you can call me "JJ". This upcoming season will mark my second year at CDC, and I am really looking forward to the opportunity to contribute my passion and knowledge for sports at Cranbrook Day Camp. Apart from sports, I am an avid video game enthusiast and I also enjoy spending my free time watching movies. I am excited to start S.M.U in the Fall!



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Pertinent Information

CDC Drop Off

Camper drop off begins at 8:45am. Our counselors will greet your camper at the car. Anything that needs to make its way to the office can be handed to the counselor during drop off. Please use the Boys Middle School entrance located off of Valley Way.

The CDC Promise

We, the CDC Camp Staff, promise to provide our campers a fun and memorable experience that helps them grow into respectful and responsible young men. In doing so, we strive to provide all campers several opportunities to see integrity in action.

CDC Pick Up

Pick up takes place in the same place as drop off. We dismiss at 3pm and need your help to keep things moving smoothly. Please have your authorized pick up form in our staff's line of vision. This form can be found online inside the Document Center. For early pick ups, please notify the office by emailing cranbrookdaycamp@cranbrook.edu or calling (248) 645-3674 option #2.

Reminders

- Label all of your child's belongings!
- If your child forgets something at camp, have them look in the lost and found in the lobby of the Boys Middle School.
- Any medications brought to camp need to have an Authorization to Administer Medication (AAM) form with them. Please deliver forms and medication to the camp office or give it to a staff member at drop off

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Share the
Experience

Suggested Questions to Ask Your Camper

- What is your groups favorite activity to do together?
- How was the Amazing Race?
What was your favorite event?
- Tell me about a new friend you made this week!
- Tell me about something that made you laugh at summer camp.





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Welcome Letter

We are so excited to welcome each and everyone one of you to our Cranbrook Day Camp family! We have been hard at work planning events and training our staff to ensure that your child has the best camp experience this summer. Our goal at CDC is the holistic development in health, happiness, and life skills within a safe and encouraging environment with guidance of qualified staff to allow each camper to develop his individual abilities. Our camp has a long standing tradition of teaching kindness, respect, and character. These are the values we live by. Be kind. Show respect, and have good character. We discuss these values with campers every morning and we work on living out these values each day at camp. Each week campers will get to participate in a wide variety of activities including: soccer, swimming, basketball, lacrosse, archery, tennis, field sports, and canoeing. We look forward to meeting you on Monday!

The CDC Team

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MEET OUR CDC TEAM

My name is Chad Chappell, and I am honored to serve as the new Director of Cranbrook Day Camp (CDC). Although new to the Cranbrook Community, I am no stranger to summer camp management. I have 13 years of experience as a full-time camp director overseeing year-round residential and day camp programs. When the school year is in session, I serve as a school administrator for a local school district. This year, I chose Cranbrook for myself and brought my three fantastic children, aged four, eight, and thirteen. When I'm not at camp, my lovely wife and I cherish spending quality time together with our kids, relishing life and having fun in the sun!

Chad



At CDC respect, individuality, and trust are at the forefront of everything we do. Please feel free to reach out to us so that we can ensure that your child shares that experience.

-Chad

Holly



My name is Holly Berkseth (aka ThunderPanda) and this is my 4th year as an Assistant Director at CDC. I started at Cranbrook in 2014 when I was hired as the Arts and Crafts instructor at CDC. During the school year, I work as at 1st Grade Teacher at Brookside. When I am not at Cranbrook, I love spending time with my fiancé, Andrew, and our two cats, Gus and Poptart. We enjoy cooking new meals together, going on road trips up north, and playing board games and card games. I am excited for another fun summer together!



Jonathan



Hello! My name is Jonathan Clauss, and I am excited to be your Cranbrook Day Camp ambassador. This will be my 12th summer with Cranbrook Day Camp and my 14th year with Cranbrook, where I've enjoyed roles from recess supervisor to head varsity football coach. When I'm not at camp, I love spending time with my family—my wife and our four-year-old daughter, Violet. We enjoy riding bikes, having water balloon fights, playing on playgrounds, and having family movie nights. I look forward to another amazing summer with all of you!

Hi, everyone! My name is Danny, and this will be my 11th year at CDC and my 6th as an assistant director! During the school year, I can be found on the Cranbrook grounds, teaching fifth grade and coaching football and basketball. When I get some free time, I like to travel and go hiking with my wife, Sydney, and our canine son, Louie. I also love golfing and just spending as much time outside as possible! I am looking forward to an amazing summer together!

Danny



Emily



My name is Emily Gilbert (aka ThunderGiraffe) and this is my 2nd year as an Assistant Director at CDC. During the school year, I work as at 2nd Grade Teacher at Brookside. When I am not at Cranbrook, I love spending time with my husband (Zach) and two daughters (Lexi and Everly) and our dog Willy. We love to spend time outside, watch movies, build Legos, and play games (video and board). I am looking forward to another fun summer with everyone!

My name is Kara Yeatts and I'm delighted to be joining the CDC admin team for the third consecutive summer. During the school year, I teach Pre-Kindergarten at the Vlastic Early Childhood Center at Cranbrook- Brookside, where I thoroughly enjoy the dynamic challenges of working with young children. Outside of school, I enjoy camping with my family, raising monarch butterflies, and playing the guitar and ukulele. I am eagerly anticipating another wonderful summer!

Kara

