

Answers to many of your questions

- The **camp technically ends on Thursday Evening**. But the camp puts us up overnight, feeds us breakfast and then we leave.
- Your child needs a **t-shirt** in the color of their team.
 - Rising 4th grade – Yellow
 - Rising 5th grade – Green
 - Rising 6th grade - Blue
 - Chaperones – Orange
- **OMC** (Organized Mass Chaos) is a fun crazy messy game that they play on Thursday. The teams compete against each other. This is when they dress in their team color.
- We eat all our meals together, attend worship and Bible study all together. Kids are supervised by us and CentriKid. Camp is also small.
- They need an **All-Day Bag**
 - Bible, pen, small water bottle, bug spray, sunscreen, money. Remember they have to carry it so make it as light as possible.
- **No Camp store cards**. It is easier for us and them if they just have cash. There is a camp store (souvenirs ranging from \$1-\$30), coffee/drink cafe, treats, snack bar, and ice cream and they all take cash. \$25-40 is a good amount in smaller bills (easier for them to calculate at checkout counters and what they have left).
- **Camper Care Package**. We do not participate in them as most campers end up losing things and getting them mixed up. All items can be bought at camp store.
- **Pictures**. We will take a group photo and send it to you. Do not purchase through CentriKid.
- **Mail**. The morning that we leave, you can hand me a stack of mail for your child. Please put your child's name and what day of the week you want them to get it on the envelope. We will hand them out each day. If you'd like – putting cash in their mail each day may help in their spending.
- **Medications** Place in Ziplock bag with child's name and an index card/form with exact instructions.
- **We will not be calling home**. This is a chance for your child to grow a bit. No news is good news.
- **Private Facebook page**. You will get an invite. We will post pics and videos of your children having fun. You can ask questions and we will post any updates there.

Housing – We will know a month before exactly the kind of housing and beds.

- Girls and Boys will sleep in separate housings with twin size bunk beds or full-size beds.
- Everyone needs a towel for pool and towel for showers.
- Sleeping bag or blanket, twin/full size fitted sheet, pillowcase & pillow.

Clothes and Packing

- Do not send them with their most expensive clothes, socks, shoes, sweatshirts. They lose a lot and rarely claim what is in the lost and found. **Label EVERYTHING**. We check the lost and found every day and will pull out anything with our campers' names.
- Packing list is thorough in **parent packet**. Have your child help you and see what they have and how and where you pack their supplies.
- Successful tip – pack each day's clothes in gallon bags and pack 2-3 extra sets (ex. Thursday they will need another set after OMC). **Aim for 7 total outfits**.
- Allow for **extra space** when packing – when they return it's nice to have buffer space as items may not be returned as neatly as they were packed.
- **Include extra** Ziplock gallon bags or trash bags for wet towels and clothes.

- It's better for them to have one BIG suitcase with wheels than several bags. I would put bedding in the suitcase as well. Think BIG giant suitcase and a backpack and pillow for the bus.
- Sneakers for sure and any other shoes should have straps. **Flip flops do not work for camp. Crocs or sandals do as long as they have the back strap.**
- **Swimsuits.** 2 piece is ok, if it is a tank and bottom style and only shows a tiny bit of midsection. Everyone will need a cover up to travel to and from the pool. T-shirts for boys and shorts for girls.
- Send a **jacket** (can double as a rain jacket) as the gym and the evening can be cold at times and a pair of pants just in case.
- **Electronics:** They can use them on the bus; we will take them when we get to camp. We will charge them and return them for the return trip. Label every piece of their electronics and place in a zipper bag that also has their name. Smart watches and cell phones are electronics that go in their electronic bag as well. Only pack the essentials for the bus trip.
- **Snacks:** Last name A-M box of individually packaged snacks. Last name is N-Z and will bring a pack of drinks (no soda). We will offer a snack and drink in the afternoon and evening. Please do not pack them extra snacks, candy and drinks. They will get plenty of food at camp. Plus, they tend to overeat at camp, especially candy and junk foods which cause bellyaches and such. And we don't want critters and bugs in our sleeping areas.

Transportation

- Pack a disposable lunch for the trip up. On the way home, we will get lunch.
- We leave at 9am on Monday.
- Arrive by 8:30
 - Put luggage into the bottom of the bus.
 - Drop off snacks and drinks on the sidewalk near bus.
 - Hand in all medications completely labeled with child's name, name of drug and dosage amount and frequency.
 - Hand in all letters and notes for your child in a baggie
- We will pray at 8:45, load the bus and leave by 9am.
- No one should get on the bus for any reason before we give the instructions to do so.
- We return on that Friday around 3pm. We will contact you if time changes.

Paperwork and Payments

- You will receive an email with a link to fill out a information and waiver form for your child. This needs to be completed by June 14.
- You will also choose Track Times at our Parent meeting on May 3rd in the HUB at 10:45. If your child cannot decide on that day, they need to be turned in to Sue Hilton by June 7.
- You can continue to pay as little as you need as long as you make all final payments by June 30.