

REMINDERS & MORE REMINDERS

PLEASE SEND US THESE FORMS BEFORE MAY 15

Information Questionnaire about Your Child

To help ensure that your child gets the best camp experience possible, we will be asking you to complete a camper questionnaire. This gives you the opportunity to brief us on everything and anything you feel will better equip us to meet your goals and expectations for your child's summer and it will also help us know more about your child. The questionnaire will ask many of the following questions:

1. Is this your child's first time away from home?
2. To what extent is s/he accustomed to being away from family or parents?
3. Please list your child's strongest and weakest qualities?
4. Does your child have any unusual fears? If yes, please let us know about them
5. What should we look for in unusual attitudes or behavioral patterns (i.e. peer difficulties, temper tantrums, sensitivity, shyness, bedwetting, sleepwalking, etc.)?

You may also want to use the form as an opportunity to talk to your child about goals for the summer, activities they want to pursue, things they want to achieve, etc. The more we know about our campers in advance the better. These questionnaires should be sent to us well in advance of the campers' arrival.

ACTIVITIES AT TAMAKWA

Use this list as a guide for discussion with your camper(s). If we know what to look for, it will help us establish goals that are within your child's reach. We can only make this the best possible summer for your child if we know what yours and their expectations are.

LANDSPORTS:

Basketball, soccer, softball, baseball, in-line skating/hockey, half-court tennis, sandy beach volleyball, archery, tetherball, and other cooperative games.

WATER SPORTS:

Swimming, canoeing, kayaking, sailing, windsurfing, lifesaving, competitive swimming, and fishing.

AESTHETIC:

Theatre, music, lighting, set designing, singing, radio, video, Camp TV, music recording, creative art projects, painting, pottery, woodworking, sketching, and other crafts.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE:

Canoe tripping, hiking, ropes course & climbing wall, and outdoor camping skills (e.g. setting up campsites, tents, camp kitchens, cooking fires, and living comfortably in nature).

We will go over the questionnaires with your camper's counselors before the start of camp. These questionnaires give valuable information to our counselors. Please do not delay filling out this form as it's very important for our counselors to have a glimpse of their cabin group dynamics before arrival day. They can make a huge difference in your child's summer experience.

REMEMBER; mail all forms to us well in advance of your child's arrival at camp.

Camper Registration Information Checklist

You will receive a "Camper Registration Information Checklist" which we will ask you to review, make corrections if need be, and return to our Toronto or Michigan office. This form lists your camper's registration dates as well as transportation arrangements. When you do get it, please return that form ASAP. It is critical for making our transportation plans.

Vegetarian Sign-Up Form - 2 Veggie Options Available

Tamakwa feels a responsibility to reasonably accommodate campers and staff who require a vegetarian diet. A vegetarian dish will be available for every meal for only those with parental consent. A Vegetarian Sign-Up form for each camper is enclosed with this manual. If your child requires a vegetarian diet, return that form to us as soon as you get it. Tamakwa offers 2 veggie options: chicken only or full veggie. Those who choose the chicken only option will be served the regular camp meal when chicken is served and NOT the alternate vegetarian option. Campers signing up for this option will only be given a vegetarian meal when beef or fish is served. In order for Camp to purchase and prepare sufficient quantities, no alternating between the regular menu items and vegetarian dishes is allowed. It's one or the other. **Campers who sign-up for the FULL vegetarian diet CANNOT eat regular menu items including beef, fish or chicken; they are strictly vegetarian for the summer.** Remember, NO CHILD WILL BE PERMITTED THE VEGETARIAN DIET WITHOUT PARENT'S WRITTEN PERMISSION.

Parent Workshop Form

You can help us counsel our counselors. During our pre-camp staff orientation, we conduct a week of sessions on effective counseling techniques from pro-active positive role modeling to trouble-shooting problems in the cabin group. We pose scenarios that actually arise in the course of camp life such as homesickness, bullying, scapegoating, & exclusion...just to name a few. We invite you to be our partners in this orientation by letting our counselors know specifically what parents expect. We will be sending you a "Parent Workshop Form" to solicit your input of actual scenarios you have heard about, or more general concerns about your child's interaction in a group setting.

WHERE TO SEND IN THE FORMS - most camp forms are available at www.tamakwa.com

- **ALL CAMP FORMS ARE DUE BY MAY 15 - please send them to either camp office but please make sure they are in our possession by the due date as they all contain valuable information in assisting us to provide our campers with a safe and rewarding summer.**

ANOTHER LOOK AT OUR CAMPER ENROLLMENT AGREEMENT SIGNED BY PARENTS

1. **We regret we cannot accept verbal registrations.** This application, a Fees & Payment Options form and a Camper/CIT Information Card, completed in full and signed by both parents and/or guardian, must be received with each application. Applications will be accepted in the order in which they are received. **APPLICATIONS CANNOT BE CONSIDERED UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY A DEPOSIT OF \$750 CDN FOR EACH CAMPER.**
2. **HEALTH INSURANCE** of some type is **mandatory** in every camp accredited by the Ontario Camps Association. Each camper and staff member **MUST BE** covered by medical insurance. If you **DO NOT** already have some health insurance plan, we will arrange camper insurance at a cost to you of \$100 CDN. Please check appropriate box:
 - We want Camper Health Insurance.
 - We do not want Camper Health Insurance; we have our own. Health Card/Health Plan No. _____
3. Application may be cancelled with refund of deposit (less \$200 CDN per camper for administrative costs) up to **MARCH 1, 2011**. Cancellations made between **MARCH 1, 2011** and **MAY 1, 2011** will result in complete forfeiture of deposit. **(Cancellation must be communicated in writing.)**
4. **Reduction of enrollment (from 8 weeks to 4 weeks) made before MARCH 1, 2011 will result in an additional charge of \$200 CDN. Reduction of enrollment made between MARCH 1, 2011 and MAY 1, 2011 will result in an additional charge of \$400 CDN. Reduction of enrollment made after MAY 1, 2011 will be considered a cancellation of a session, for which full payment will be owed. (Reduction of enrollment must be communicated in writing.)**
5. Balance of all camp fees are payable on or before **MAY 1, 2011**. Camp reserves the right to cancel enrollment if fees are not paid in full by **MAY 1, 2011**. After **MAY 1, 2011** all fees shall be considered due and owing and no refunds shall be given. The obligations of the camp for its counselors, employees and general expenses are fixed for the summer, and the absence of a camper does not lessen the operating expenses. No refund or reduction of fees will be made for dismissal, withdrawal, cancellation, or reduction of enrollment after **MAY 1, 2011**. No refund or reduction of fees will be made for any late arrivals or early departures for any reason.
6. Camp reserves the right to dismiss a camper when it is deemed to be in the best interest of either the child or camp or for violation of any camp rule. No refunds shall be given under any circumstances after **MAY 1, 2011**.
7. I authorize Camp Tamakwa and/or its designated staff to transport my child by bus or otherwise to and from camp, including, but not limited to, travel across the U.S./Canada border.
8. Any additional transportation provided by the camp for any reason shall be paid for by the parents.
9. Interest at 1.5% per month shall accrue on all overdue accounts.
10. All charges are subject to applicable taxes.
11. Camp Tamakwa Inc. is not responsible for damaged, lost or stolen property.
12. Parents shall reimburse camp for any intentional damage or defacement of camp property.
13. We hereby consent to Camp Tamakwa Inc. releasing home addresses, phone numbers and email addresses to other camp families for non-commercial communication purposes.
14. We hereby consent to Camp Tamakwa Inc. using my child's photographic or video images for promotional and publicity purposes.

I desire my child to participate in the full camp program and all activities including wilderness canoe tripping, unless a written medical restriction is provided by the camper's physician and camp confirms receipt in writing and agrees to the restriction. I further acknowledge that attendance and/to participation at Camp involves risk and hazards incidental thereto, all of which are assumed by me. I hereby waive, release, absolve and agree to indemnify and save harmless Camp Tamakwa Inc. and their respective officers, directors, employees and agents of any and all liability arising from my child's attendance and/or participation in the Camp program unless solely as a result of the camp's willful neglect. I authorize camp to secure medical treatment for my child when appropriate including, but not limited to, medication, X-ray, hospitalization, anesthesia, or surgery. If for any reason my child requires such medical attention or special medication beyond that furnished by camp, I agree to be responsible for any expenses incurred. Camp Tamakwa Inc. shall not be liable for any medical treatment or lack thereof to any camper whose medical form is incomplete or not received prior to my child's arrival at camp.

The courts of Ontario shall have exclusive jurisdiction over any claim, legal dispute, or cause of action arising out of my child's enrollment or stay at Camp including, but not limited to, his/her medical treatment and any relationship with Camp Tamakwa Inc., its Directors, officers, medical staff, employees, and/or agents. It is hereby agreed the commencement of any such legal proceedings will be held only in the Province of Ontario and I hereby irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the Province of Ontario and will further indemnify Camp Tamakwa Inc. for any legal fees or costs incurred by Camp Tamakwa Inc. challenging jurisdiction in any matter or cause of action filed outside the Province of Ontario. It is further agreed all of the above terms, conditions, and provisions are not only binding upon me, all parents/legal guardians, my child/camper, but upon any heirs, executors, successors or assigns.