2024 Knights of Columbus Camp

The Knights of Columbus Council #2809 is beginning our twenty-second year of camp at 9450 Cherry Hill Road in College Park, MD. Camp runs from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. with before-care starting at 7:00 a.m. and after-care ending at 6:00 p.m.

After a large group meeting, campers will divide into age groups and rotate through the following four activity stations: art, sports, music and swim lessons. After lunch, we have free swim until snack time at 3:00. Our counselors are local high school and college students working under the supervision of directors with a total of more than 40 years’ experience working with children.

We accept campers from ages 4-15 (other ages based on director’s discretion). Younger children are grouped together with extra counselors.

 For more information about camp, please call or text Hilary Beall at (301) 385-7949. Visit our website for our policies and medical forms.

 **Cost**

**There is a one-time deposit of $40 that is applied to the camp fee for the session. Full payment is due the day that the camp session starts.**

 **Day Camp:** $180, $150 for Knights of Columbus Members

**Before-Care:** $30 **After-Care:** $50

 Session Dates

 1 June 17 - 21

 2 June 24 - 28

 3 July 1 - 3\*

 4 July 8 - 12

 5 July 15 – 19

 6 July 22 - 26

 7 July 29 - August 2

 8 August 5 – 9

\*Session 3 will be prorated 40% from the total for the week because camp will not be held on July 4th and 5th.

  **Please mail the registration form to**

 **Hilary Beall**

 **Knights of Columbus Day Camp**

 **9450 Cherry Hill Road College Park, MD 20740**

 **Deposit checks made payable to the Knights of Columbus.**

 **Camper Registration**

 (Each camper must have a completed registration form)

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Camper \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Parent Work\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_

Sex: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Grade (’24-‘25) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Swim Level : Unknown Non-swimmer Beginner Intermediate Advanced

 **INSURANCE**: I hereby inform the Knights of Columbus that I will assume all medical coverage for the above-named participant and that said coverage shall be adequate to cover any and all possible accidents or injuries to the above-named participant received during any phase of this program. **RELEASE:** I hereby release and agree to hold harmless the Knights of Columbus, its employees, volunteers, and other participants from any act of commission or omission which may result in any personal injury or property damage arising out of the above-named participant’s participation in this program. I further agree to save harmless the Knights of Columbus, its employees, volunteers, and other participants from all losses, costs, and expenses (including attorney’s fees and court costs), settlement payment (whether or not reduced final judgment ) and all liabilities, damages, and fines paid, incurred, or suffered by the Knights of Columbus by reason of, or arising out of injuries to persons (including death) or property damage cause by or attributed to the above named participant’s participation in this program.

**PARTICIPATION AND POLICIES:** I give my child permission to participate in all camp activities including swimming. I also acknowledge that I have read and understand the parent policies. **SUNSCREEN:** I give the Knights of Columbus Camp staff members permission to assist my child in applying sunscreen. My child uses \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (brand) sunscreen and the bottle is marked with their name. I will also apply sunscreen at home to my child before camp.

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Circle Session Numbers: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Before-care: Yes No

After-care: Yes No

Your registration confirmation will be emailed to you. Please provide an email address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Do you need a receipt once camp is over? Yes No (Receipts are emailed once camp is over for the summer)

 **Knights of Columbus Camp Policies 2024**

Welcome to the Knights of Columbus Day Camp! We are thrilled that you have decided to join us this summer.

**What to Bring to Camp**

Your child should bring a backpack with a lunch, swimsuit, a towel, water bottle and sunscreen. Camp will provide water throughout the day. Lunches are only refrigerated if absolutely necessary.

Please label all items in the backpack. All children are expected to keep track of all their belongings.

**Electronic Devices**

We have a rule at camp that there be no electronic devices used between the hours of 8:30 and 3:30. This is to ensure that campers are involved with activities. These may be used during before-care and after-care. There have been problems with these items going missing, and while we will help the children with their belongings, they are ultimately responsible for the whereabouts of their things.

High-end electronic items, such as iPods or phones, should not be sent to camp.

**Cell Phones**

Campers should not bring their cell phones to camp. A phone is always available for a camper to use if necessary.

**Schedule**

Our daily schedule will consist of Group Time followed by art, music, sports, and swim lessons in the morning. Lunch will be around noon, and we will have free swim in the afternoons until 3:00. After free swim, there will be a light snack provided, but you may wish to pack an extra snack or money for the snack bar.

**Registration Forms/Immunizations**

All children must have a registration form filled out. If your child’s registration form is not filled out completely, it needs to be as soon as possible. One portion of the form that is not always filled out is the date of the last tetanus shot. Please bring this date to the first day of camp or contact me with the information.

**Sunscreen**

Please talk with your child about the necessity of sunscreen. Counselors will help campers apply sunscreen; however, campers need to take responsibility to ask for help or apply some of their own sunscreen. Counselors will NOT argue with campers about putting on sunscreen. Sunscreen should be applied at home before camp, but campers will be encouraged to reapply during camp.

Authorization to apply sunscreen must be provided by the parents to the camp staff. All sunscreen should be indelibly marked with the camper's name, and all sunscreen left at camp will be destroyed at the end of the summer.

**Medication and Severe Allergies**

 Campers who need to take medication during the day will self-administer medications, but the camp staff will lock up the medication during the day. Please fill out an authorization form for medication located online or from the camp staff.

Campers with severe allergies (i.e. peanuts) should fill out a special form outlining treatment in the case of a reaction. This can also be found online or from camp staff.

**Payment**

Payment in full will be due on the first day of each session and should be given directly to the director or assistant director. As a reminder, the forty-dollar deposit should have been paid with registration and is deducted from the total amount for the session. If your child’s school is not over until after the first session begins due to the snow days, twenty percent is deducted from the total for the session.

**Drop-off**

Children should be dropped off and picked up behind the clubhouse building in the grove area with the picnic tables. Children not enrolled in before-care can be dropped off beginning at 8:30 a.m.; the camp activities begin at 9:00 am. Campers dropped off before 8:30 must be enrolled in before-care. The weekly fee for before-care is $30; however, if only one day is needed there will be a $10 charge.

**Pick-up**

 The camp day ends promptly at 3:30, children not picked up by 3:30 will be placed in after-care. The daily charge for after-care is $50 per week. If only one day is needed there will be a $15 charge. If your child is enrolled in after-care, they must be picked up by 6:00. After 6:00, there is a $15 charge per child for every half-hour or portion of a half-hour.

If you are involved in a carpool, please return the carpool form. If this form is not filled out, we will only allow a child’s mother or father to take their own child. Any other situation will need to be accompanied by a note from the child’s parent. We will verify a person’s identity either by their driver’s license or phone number.

Any child who is on the swim team will be permitted to attend practice when the camp staff is notified.

Only pool members will be permitted to go to the pool directly after camp. It is the pool's policy that no child under the age of 14 be at the pool without supervision. Please notify the camp staff when your child has permission to go to the pool after camp. In the case that a child has been either signed out of camp by a parent or to go to the pool, they are not permitted to return to the camp room.

**Counselors in Training (CITs)**

Counselors in training (CITs) attend the camp as an aide to the counselors. Although CITs are older and have more responsibilities, they need to help the counselors not give them more trouble (i.e. leaving their post, hanging out by the pool without permission, or rough housing with the children). Any CIT not fulfilling their responsibility will be given the choice to withdraw or pay the regular camper fee.

Counselors in training will be given a specific daily post for the mornings. In the afternoons, CITs attend free swim with the rest of the camp.

**Camp Rules**

Please speak with your child about the importance of proper camp behavior. We are very concerned with the safety of all the children in the camp, and the camp rules will help to ensure that safety. The camp rules are as follows:

1. Respect others at all times.

2. Respect the facility and the equipment.

3. Remain with the group at all times.

4. Use appropriate language.

5. Listen to and follow directions.

6. Be a willing camp participant.

 7. Refrain from touching other people and their belongings