



## REAL LIFE DAY CAMP "FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS"



### What does my child need to bring each day?

Your child should bring a lunch (with extra snacks) in an igloo cooler or lunch bag, bathing suit and a towel marked with their name every day. They do not need a bathing suit on Thursdays because we will go on a field trip. Check the calendar of events for field trip destinations.

### Does my child need to wear their camp T-shirt every day?

Your child only needs to wear their camp T-shirt on Thursdays, which are field trip days, however, they may wear them anytime.

### When is camp tuition due?

Tuition is collected on a week-by-week basis. Tuition for the entire week is due on the first day of the week that your child attends camp. For example, if your child's first day is Monday, then the tuition is due on Monday for the entire week or the amount of days that your child will be there that week. The \$5.00 per day deposit will be credited toward each week's tuition.

### What if my child misses a day they are signed up for?

Please call to let us know whenever your child will not be in camp. Because of the fact that Real Life has reserved a space for your child there can be no refunds for days missed.

### What if my child needs medication while at camp?

If your child will need to take medication while at camp please fill out the medication log and turn in your medication to Mr. Don or Mrs. Mary Ann. All medication must be in the original prescription bottle with the camper's name clearly written. You must sign the medication log in order for us to dispense the medication.

### How many counselors does Real Life Camp have to supervise the children?

The state requires that there be one counselor, at least 18 years of age for every ten campers. Real Life Camp is state licensed and abides by this rule.

### **Are the children grouped according to age?**

Children are grouped according to age for roll call (morning attendance). After roll call the counselors are assigned specific activities to supervise for the morning and the children have their choice of where they would like to go. They do need to be with a buddy and they must be at a supervised activity at all times.

### **Where do the children go swimming?**

Real Life Camp swims at the Summit's indoor pool. The pool is located at 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton Township. We travel by our school buses to the pool. The campers join the Summit's open swim session. We swim on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday afternoons. The Summit maintains a more than adequate staff of professional lifeguard supervision. In addition, all Real Life counselors have obtained "Aquatic Observer" training and also supervise the pool. Children who are 48 inches or less are required to swim with a life vest. This should be clearly marked with their first and last name. In the event that the Summit is closed the camp may swim at Mack Pool in Ann Arbor, or Lower Huron Metro Park in Belleville.

### **Can my child stay back from swim?**

Children who stay back from swim must have a written note from their parent or guardian and turn it in to Mr. Don or Mrs. Mary Ann in the morning. A parent must also sign our "stay back board." Reasons for staying back from swim are things such as stitches, cast, swimmers ear, a need to be picked up early. There is a limited amount of space for "stay back campers" since most of our staff does go to the pool.

### **Does my child need to sign up for horse lessons?**

Any camper who would like to become involved in our horseback riding program should report to the corral immediately after roll call each morning to sign up for lessons. The horseback-riding instructors will let the children know when their lesson time is. Elementary (beginner) lessons are in the morning before lunch. Advanced lessons are during the swim time in the afternoon. Advanced riders may stay back from swimming, with the permission of their horseback riding instructor, to take their lesson. Intermediate lessons are after swimming. For those campers who would like to ride a horse each day but do not want to take lessons, there is "open riding" every morning between 8:30-9:15 a.m. inside the corral.