



## ***Welcome to Summer Camp 2018 at Camp Jo-Ota!***

We are pleased you will be part of the camping community this summer! Each event is designed to provide campers with experiences that will bring you close to God and friends. This sheet includes useful information that will make your stay at Camp Jo-Ota the best possible! Please take time to go through this information and contact us with any questions or concerns.

### **Receipt, Health Form Update, and Camper Covenant**

After registering online, you should double check your account for the camp registered for and the balance owed to Camp Jo-Ota. Please make sure your balance is correct and pay the balance due before the camp check-in date. If you have received scholarships those will be confirmed prior to your camp stay and will be reflected on your balance as soon as possible. If there have been any health changes since filling out registration, please go into your account online and update the information at least by the Thursday prior to the camp check-in date. A report will be printed and given to the Camp Jo-Ota Health Supervisor to be reviewed and make any accommodations necessary. Please be sure to review the Camper Covenant with your child prior to the start date of camp and submit it online.

### **Policies**

There are several policies that campers and parents should know so camp can be great for everyone involved.

**Horseplay:** For the safety of all our guests, running, jumping, horseplay, etc. IS NOT permitted inside buildings.

**Food/Cabin Rules:** Food (including candy/gum) and drinks ARE NOT allowed in sleeping areas or carpeted areas of lodges or inside cabins. Wet and/or muddy shoes are to be removed before entering lodges and cabins.

**Control of Vehicular Traffic:** Upon arriving on site, all vehicles must observe the 10 mph speed limit, stop at all intersections, and stop for all campers. Because we are a multi-use site, guests are not permitted to drive vehicles through camp unless prior authorization has been given by site staff. Cars must be parked at cabin for the duration of the stay. Group leaders must contact site staff for the transport of equipment, supplies, or disabled campers. Trailers or other towed vehicles are not to be used to transport passengers. Under no circumstances are campers to ride in the back of pick-up trucks. Camp Jo-Ota's vehicles are for site staff only.

**Pets:** For the safety and health of everyone, guests are NOT permitted to bring pets on the site.

**Tobacco and Alcohol:** All areas of the site are tobacco and alcohol free.

**Weapons and Fireworks:** Weapons of any type and fireworks are not permitted on site.

**Cancellation Policy:** If you cancel two weeks or more prior to the start of camp your fee will be refunded. Within two weeks, campers who cancel will forfeit all camp fees.

**Camp Store:** Our camp store will be open at check-in and check-out times only. Besides Jo-Ota merchandise and camp related items, we will also be offering snack and drink items. These are to be purchased by parents or guardians or older campers, and not to be taken back to cabins.

**Full Participation:** All campers have signed a covenant regarding participation and conduct while at camp. Campers are expected to participate fully in the event they are attending. Once your camper arrives at the site, they should plan on staying for the whole experience. It is too disruptive to have campers leave. If your camper's presence is vital for another activity, please let us know at least two weeks prior to the start of camp so we may refund your fees and allow someone from the waiting list to take your space.

**Parental Notification:** Our Event Directors, in consultation with the Site Director and Site Health Supervisor, will contact you in the following circumstances: any time EMS responds, or offsite medical treatment is sought; any time an injury appears to be beyond the bounds of bumps, bangs, or scrapes; any time a head injury occurs; any time a participant runs a fever of 102 degrees or above for longer than 8 hours or any fever above 104; any time a communicable disease or illness is suspected; any other deemed important to do so.

### Packing Tips

#### What to Bring

The following list is compiled by our Site Director to give you a starting point when packing for camp. Event Directors will send you a letter closer to the start time of camp and will include any special items to bring.

- bedding
- clothing
- modest swimsuit
- sturdy shoes
- sandals
- light jacket
- hat
- towels
- toiletry items
- water bottle
- sunscreen
- insect repellent
- Stamps/stationary
- Bible/notebook
- medications (in original container)

#### What to Leave at Home

We have many reasons for limiting the list of items campers can bring to camp. Mostly, by leaving these things at home, campers can get to know new friends and live in a safe environment. If you have questions about an item not on the list, please call the Camp Jo-Ota Office.

- cell phone
- CD/MP3 players
- radios, laptops
- electronic games
- fireworks
- firearms/weapons/knives
- tobacco products/alcohol
- food/drinks, pets
- money (camp stores are open at check-in/check-out times only)



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