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SAFETY ORIENTATION

The following information is provided during pre-camp training and the flyer is attached to every unit building and the staff house wall. Staff are instructed to share this information with their campers the first day they arrive, and to periodically review it during the week.

SAFETY RULES IN A NUTSHELL!

*It is your responsibility to understand and follow these basic rules...
If you need help or are confused, find a leader or director!*



The following rules apply to everyone...campers, staff, and guests:

- Know the camp boundaries, and stay on camp property at all times. Stay out of the Buffer Lots, too!
- Know where the archery boundaries are, and follow the archery range entrance/exit rules.
- Don't climb on rocks...ever!
- Stay on paths...don't walk on rock path borders, as they're slippery and it's easy to twist an ankle.
- Stay on the camp side of the lake path, not the water side, unless you are with a staff member.
- **ALWAYS USE THE BUDDY SYSTEM!**
- All persons entering camp must be greeted, and all interactions, except for those with cabin owners, must be logged. Always wear your identification band.
- Quiet times are between 10pm and 7am. Please be respectful.
- Cabin owners are our neighbors and friends. Please be polite and helpful at all times.
- Walkie-Talkies are for official staff use. Please do not play with walkie-talkies, and please use appropriate language at all times.
- The meadow is a special place...please enjoy it from the paths and do not take a shortcut across it.
- Walk in camp. Always. There is never a need to run.
- Take care of your own belongings. Do not leave them in public areas like the dining deck or staff house. Put your shower things away and do not leave them in shower stalls.
- Clean up after yourself wherever you go...this includes the biffy, shower house, dining deck, and fire circles.
- Know about lightning procedures and follow them.
- Know what to do if you see or hear a bear.
- Respect your fellow campers and staff. Speak kindly to them and about them.
- In an emergency, stay calm and do as you are told. Listen to instructions and help those around you in need.
- Be on time.
- Sign out when you leave. Sign in when you return.
- Disobeying a unit leader, director, or supervisor will not be tolerated. Rules are in place for your safety and the safety of others...please follow their instructions at all times.
- Remember the photo rule...if someone took a picture of you doing something, would you be happy to show it to a director or any camper's parent? If not, you probably shouldn't be doing it.
- When driving to or from a trailhead or other off-site location, you must wear a seatbelt at all times. Remain quiet while in the car, and follow your driver's instructions.
- Your belongings are yours; your fellow camper's belongings are hers; your fellow staff member's belongings are hers. Do not touch or move items that do not belong to you without permission.
- Camp pranks are funny only if you wouldn't mind the same prank being played on *you*. Do not do anything to another unit or person that is embarrassing, intimidating, cruel, rude or destructive. No pranks should involve another person's belongings, ever.
- Food must not leave the dining deck unless it is a packout lunch or packout order. Garbage must be kept in designated areas at all times. We love our furry neighbors, but our food makes them sick.
- The kitchen is off-limits unless you have been invited.
- The birdhouse is off-limits unless you have specific business there.
- Leave the site better than you found it; leave your fellow campers and staff happier than you found them; leave camp a better person than when you arrived.