

OVERNIGHT CAMPER ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

Check-in Process:

- 1. **Forms:** Waivers and health information was completed during registration. (Shorter lines now, we promise!) If there are changes or additions, please call the MR office. The Medicine Authorization is required if your camper is checking in medication/supplements/over-the-counter <u>or</u> if you would like the Nurse to administer Tylenol, ibuprofen or over-the-counter treatments. A parent signature is required (a physician signature is no longer required; please bring the completed form to check-in.
- 2. **Check-in:** at registration your camper will be given a cabin assignment and can check-in with the counselor.

Staff: Our staff has been preparing for your stay! Our counselors are selected based on their love for kids, Christian commitment, and maturity. All staff and volunteers are fully background checked.

Emergency Contact: (253) 851-4410 (Office hours) and another emergency number will be provided.

Accommodations: Cabin mate request information is available during registration. You can also call the office to request a cabin mate, at least two weeks before camp.

Packing List (label items with camper name):

- Sleeping bag and pillow
- Bible, notebook, pen
- Sunscreen (labeled w/ name)
- Warm jacket
- Riding boots w/ heel, long pants (if riding add-on)
- Long pants and long sleeved shirt (paintball)
- Swimwear: girls, modest one-piece or tankini
- Trading Post money (see below)
- Medications must be checked in with the Nurse

- Toiletries (towel, soap, toothbrush...)
- Flashlight
- Beach towel and flip flops
- Several changes of clothes
- Active footwear (closed toed shoes)
- Swimwear: boys, no speedos
- Fitted sheet for bunk bed (optional)
- Refillable water bottle (optional)
- Please do not bring peanut products, cell phones, iPods/MP3 players, radios, tapes, DVD or CD
 players, laptops, fishing gear, knives, fireworks, personal sports equipment, animals/pets, tobacco or
 any expensive items. Alcohol, drugs or weapons of any kind are prohibited.
- High school campers who drive to camp must turn in their car keys to the camp leadership team.

Dietary Restrictions:

With <u>at least one week</u> of advance notice, the Kitchen offers vegetarian, gluten free (non-Celiac) and dairy free options. The Kitchen does not use peanut or peanut oil products but the Camp is not strictly peanut-free. Please call the office to talk to the Kitchen Supervisory if you have additional questions. We do have a camper fridge if your camper needs to bring meals to accommodate other restrictions.

Swim Check: On the first full day of camp, there will be a Camper swim check. The test consists of a short swim and a brief session of treading water. Campers who pass the test <u>without a pfd</u>, can swim in the deeper area <u>without a pfd</u>. But a pfd is still required for the slide/jump. Campers can also elect to take the test <u>while wearing a pfd</u>. They can then swim in the deeper area <u>with a pfd</u>. And again, all campers wear a pfd on the slide/jump.

Horsemanship Electives: If you registered for extra horsemanship electives (or are attending a Horsemanship Camp), please bring long pants/jeans and cowboy boots with a heel. We have some to borrow or check thrift stores for used boots or western stores for new boots. Please, no cumbersome rubber boots; these are difficult to ride in. The camp provides riding helmets, or you may bring your own ASTM/SEI certified riding helmet.

Paintball Elective: Depending on camp size and scheduling, all campers will have the opportunity to participate in paintball once during longer camps. If a camper is signed up for the paintball elective, they will play daily. Please bring long pants, a long-sleeved shirt, and close-toed shoes. Markers, paint, and masks will be provided. You may bring your own protective gear, not not your own Markers.

Camper Mail: (Camper's name / Camp date or name of Camp / Cabin #, if you know it. Miracle Ranch, 15999 Sidney Rd. SW, Port Orchard, WA 98367.

*Our mail delivery is slow - we highly recommend you drop off letters and packages <u>at check-in</u> and we will deliver later in the camp. Sorry, we are no longer forwarding mail that arrives after camp.

Camper E-mail: You can send one-way emails to your camper at <u>MRcamper@cristacamps.com</u>. In the Subject portion, please include camper name and cabin, if known. Sorry, no attachments can be printed.

Phoning & Visiting: We are fully conscious of our great responsibility to care for your camper. In the case of any emergency, you will be notified promptly. Consequently, we discourage personal phone calls, either incoming or outgoing, or personal visitation during the camp session due to the interruption to the schedule and the effect on camper morale. If a serious concern arises, you may contact the camp director to discuss the situation.

Lost and Found: The black hole of camp! Please label all belongings with camper's name and phone number. If a camper leaves something behind, call with a description and we will attempt to locate the item. You will be asked to pay the postage required to return the item. All unclaimed items are donated at the end of the season.

Spending Money at the Trading Post: The store has snacks (\$1 to \$4), small items and MR shirts etc. For longer camps, we use a "bank" system so campers do not have to keep track of cash. You may add store deposits at registration, call our office to add funds or make a deposit on the first day of camp. The amount of spending money needed is up to each camper. After camp, any bank balance of \$5 or less will be donated to the CRISTA Camps scholarship fund. Any amount over \$5 will be refunded to the card on file. For weekend camps, we ask campers to bring cash/card instead of using the account system.

Cancellations: There is a \$50 cancellation fee for overnight camps, if you cancel <u>more than 30 days</u> notice from the first day of camp. Camp balances are due 30 days in advance of camp. Within 30 days of camp, the entire camp fee will be forfeited.

We look forward to meeting you at the Ranch!