

Parents' Newsletter

OXFORD KIDS CAMP, INC.

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OKC Summer Camp 2014

Camp Dates

Monday thru Friday

Week 1 June 23 - 27 Quest
Week 2 July 7 - 11 Powwow
Week 3 July 14 - 18 Plain Air
Week 4 July 21 - 25 Park Party

Camp Hours — 8:30 to 3:30

Morning circle begins promptly at 8:30. You need to arrive at Camp on time, earlier if possible.

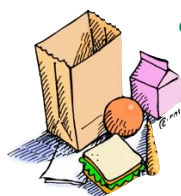
Registration tips

If weeks fill up we establish a waiting list. Parents and grandparents need to have backup dates/weeks that their campers can attend if their first choice is not available.

Lunch- A Favorite Time Of The Camp Day

"Pack it in, pack it out"

Campers will bring home uneaten food, recyclables, and trash. We are ever mindful of reducing the volume of our waste — OKC loves "Reusable" food & beverage containers!!!



Camper's lunch and beverage must be in an insulated soft bag (no substitutes). Lunches should be wholesome and tasty real foods. Sweets, junk foods, and soda are not the foundation of a healthy lunch. It's summer, fresh fruits and vegetables are available and yummy!

Lunch Tips

- ★ Pack lunches the night before to avoid rushing in the morning.
- ★ Have your camper participate in making and packing their lunch.
- ★ Consider popular leftovers from last night's dinner
- ★ For drinks, water and milk are always best.
- ★ At night fill drink container 1/3 full, freeze and top off in the morning.
- ★ Let your camper(s) know eating their lunch is essential for happy and energetic bodies.

Bikes left overnight must be locked & put in "designated" area at the Center.

Getting enough sleep & eating a good breakfast !!!!

Please don't neglect these two. Adequate sleep (10 - 11 hours) and a good breakfast (not a mere bowl of cold cereal) are your assurance of happy, energetic campers.



Is your camper's bike in excellent repair and sized correctly?

Refer to OKC Bicycle Help Sheet

CAMPING OUT



We love sleeping under the stars and enjoying the fun and camaraderie of camper friends. Encourage your camper to experience these over night adventures.

All-Camp Out - Friday, July 18

Campers eight and older are invited to participate in this annual event. However, we do advise young campers who are unsure of their desire to sleep out-of-doors and be away from the comforts of home, and Mom and Dad, to wait. Going home is not an option.



Week 3 Plein Air OKC

Friday, July 18 12:30 to 2:30
Oxford Community Center

Be sure to put this date in your calendar. Bring the whole family and friends. Join in the fun! Art projects for all ages and abilities.

Please Note: Campers help clean up after the event and will not be able to leave camp until 3:30 PM.



★ OKC Dance
Party
Friday, July 25
5:30-8:30 PM
You're invited!

The annual OKC dance is a Park Party. Everyone is invited, dance music for all ages. Directors and counselors are chaperones. Oxford Town Park.

Camp & Swimming Attire

Campers are advised to wear quick-dry clothing, i.e., shorts and tops made of synthetics that will air dry on the body.

An afternoon swim in the Bay is especially fun and cooling when summer temperatures soar (in case your forgot, last summer was seriously hot).



Campers need to be prepared to participate in the Bay swim.

Campers will only be excused from cooling off in the Bay for health reasons. If your camper has a health reason for not swimming, a parent's note is required to inform us.



Where we swim

The Talbot County Health Department tests the water before the start of camp to determine if conditions are safe for the swimming beach the camp uses.

Appointments and other situations that take campers away from camp:

Morning skill, afternoon team sports, and weekly projects are dependent on the campers being present. We do not have staff to chaperone children with a variety of scheduling demands. Please make physician, dentist, tutoring, any type of lessons (golf, music, horseback, etc.), and family day trips for non-camp hours, weekends, and after your child's camp session.

Prescriptions:

If your child needs to take a prescription drug during the hours of camp, we are very happy to administer the medicine, however, the State of Maryland requires that we have the list of side effects from the pharmacy on file. Please bring pharmacy directions on how to administer the medicine and list of side effects when you bring your child's medicine to camp.



Information questions pictures...

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Our Shoe Policy

OK campers and counselors wear closed-toe shoes.

Open toe, backless sandals, Crocs, and flip flops are **ABSOLUTELY FORBIDDEN !!!**



Water shoes are required for sailing, canoeing, nature, and the afternoon 'free swim' in the Bay. Water shoes are only worn for these activities; they are not sturdy enough for running and sports, and their open toes make them extremely dangerous and unsuitable for bicycling.