

# 2024 Summer Camper Letter



**CAMP LEBANON**  
A MEETING PLACE WITH GOD

*Woo Hoo! It's almost time for "The Funnest Fun!" at Camp Lebanon and you're going to have a blast! Exciting activities (octoball, carpetball, laser tag, and zipline); Cedar Lake (beach, boats, and bass); cool places to explore (Eagle Ridge, Beaver Point, and Turtle Bay), PLUS crazy games, caring staff, delicious food, lively chapels, and a whole lot more! More than anything, Camp is a super amazing place where campers will get to know the "Good Shepherd" (Jesus!) and He loves kids! So does our summer team. Come ready for the highlight of your summer!*

**ARRIVAL:** See the chart below for check-in details. Unattended campers may not be dropped off before check-in starts.

Camp	Opening Day	Check-In	Closing Day	Closing Rally
Super Kids 1	Sunday June 9	4:00-5:30 PM	Thursday June 13	10:00 AM
Junior High 1	Sunday June 16	4:00-5:30 PM	Friday June 21	10:00 AM
<b>Adventurers</b>	<b>Sunday, June 30</b>	4:00-5:30 PM	<b>Tuesday, July 2</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>
Junior High 2	Sunday July 7	4:00-5:30 PM	Friday July 12	10:00 AM
Super Kids 2	Sunday July 14	4:00-5:30 PM	Thursday July 18	10:00 AM
Senior High	Sunday July 21	4:00-5:30 PM	Friday July 26	10:00 AM
Super Kids 3	Sunday July 28	4:00-5:30 PM	Thursday August 1	10:00 AM
Junior High 3	Sunday August 4	4:00-5:30 PM	Friday August 9	10:00 AM
Super Kids 4	Sunday August 11	4:00-5:30 PM	Thursday August 15	10:00 AM



## CHECK-IN TIME SAVER TIP: **PAY AHEAD & UPDATE CAMPER MEDS!**

Prepay spending money, buy activity tickets (Zipline & Laser Tag), settle fee balances, and update camper meds online **by midnight Sunday of the week prior to arrival**. Simply log-in to your account to make payments. **IMPORTANT!! Online payments** for ACTIVITIES and SPENDING MONEY will NOT be accepted after this time. (NOTE: Activity tickets can be purchased at check-in.)

**DEPARTURE:** All sessions end with a super-fun *Closing Rally* at the Steps of Faith featuring prizes, singing, missions offering, and the speaker's challenge. Upon conclusion, all campers return to their cabins for a final check out. **IMPORTANT!! Campers must be picked up by an authorized adult (PHOTO I.D. required) by 11 AM (4:00 PM for Adventurers) on Closing Rally Day.** The TRADING POST opens 30 minutes before the Closing Rally for those who wish to avoid the post-Rally rush!



## ACTIVITY OPTIONS (TICKETS REQUIRED, NON-REFUNDABLE): p

**LASER TAG:** \$10. Open for all sessions (except Adventurers.) Priority will be given to pre-registrations. Laser Tag is a fun game played with infrared taggers. Fast paced. Strategic. Painless.

**SCREAMIN' EAGLE ZIPLINE:** \$10 (two rides!) Open for all sessions (except Adventurers) and to ALL campers 60-300 pounds who have no back or heart issues. Loud screaming encouraged!

**WHAT'S NEW?** If you like to bounce, you're going to really like the new feature being added to Super Kids and Adventurers Carnivals. Creation Adventure Backpacks will also be available to help campers experience the Creator's handiwork. The biggest Camp enhancement is the new gym on the North 40. It's on schedule to be ready for Senior High Week in late July. The one word used most often to describe it: "WOW!"

**CABIN ASSIGNMENTS:** Every reasonable effort is made to honor cabin mate requests. Campers are generally housed by the same grade or one grade apart. Friend groups larger than four may be divided at Camp's discretion in order to provide the best cabin environment for every camper. Thanks for your understanding in this complex process.

**MISSIONS PROJECTS:** A special Camp tradition, Closing Rally offerings have raised over \$192,000 since 1996 to bless two camps in Ukraine (Source of Life Camp and Camp Karabiner) as well as other mission projects. **Goal:** \$10,000. Despite the war, both camps continue to conduct camps while assisting refugees and displaced families.



**MEDICATIONS:** ALL meds (i.e. prescription, non-prescription, vitamins) MUST be recorded and turned in to health care staff at registration in their original bottles. **SAVE TIME IN THE LINE:** Update the MEDS section on your online registration form by midnight on the Sunday PM before the session. Be sure to indicate approved pain relievers. None can be administered unless on your form.

**SPECIAL DIETS:** Campers who indicate dietary concerns on their registration form will be sent a food menu in advance. Camp's Food Service does its best to accommodate requests, but it cannot promise to meet all needs. Families may need to supplement meals with food from home. Refrigeration available.

**THINGS NOT TO BRING:** Electronic devices (e.g. **cell phones**, computers, games), snacks with nuts, expensive jewelry, toy guns, magazines, comics, skateboards, rollerblades, illegal drugs, alcohol, tobacco, fireworks, weapons of any kind, and gum. **Cell phones are not allowed.** We understand a parent's desire to stay in contact; however, cell phones can create unwanted distractions during the session and pose potential liability issues for Camp and camper safety. We require campers to either leave their cell phones at home (preferred!) or turn them in at check-in.

**DRESS CODE:** Setting standards for a wholesome environment can cause tension. While "less is more" may be popular, inappropriately dressed campers will be discreetly instructed to change. **Clothes to leave at home:** crop tops, tube tops, spaghetti straps, short shorts, revealing or tight-fitting tops, offensive designs, two-piece swimsuits. *General rule: if in doubt, leave it out.* Thanks for your cooperation!

**SPENDING MONEY:** TRADING POST (clothing, blankets, toys, novelties); CANTEEN (candy, ice cream, snacks, pop); MISSIONS OFFERING. While most activities are free, three have fees: ZIPLINE (\$10); LASER TAG (\$10), some CRAFTS. Activity tickets are non-refundable unless weather related. At check-in, all spending money is deposited on Canteen Cards for safekeeping. All unspent money will be refunded on the last day.

**CAMPER MAIL LIMITS** While it's always fun for campers to hear from home, we encourage a "less is better" approach to mail. **LIMITS: Letters & Notes** – no limits. **Packages** – one per camper per session. Max size: 10" x 13" envelope or smaller. Choose a mail day.

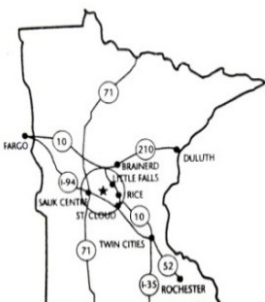
**MAIL / PACKAGES:** Send mail via **1205 ACORN ROAD • BURTRUM MN 56318** or drop off mail items at check-in. DO NOT SEND SNACKS WITH NUTS.

- Clearly indicate *camper name* and *cabin* (if known) on all pieces.
- **Faxes** can be sent to **320.403.9599**.
- **E-mails to campers will NOT be accepted.**
- **PRE-PACKAGED CAREPAKS** are no longer available for your favorite camper. If desired, parents can create their own personalized care package in the Camp store.

**PHONE CALLS / VISITS:** Camp leadership embraces the great responsibility assumed in caring for your children. In the event of an emergency or medical concern, a parent or guardian will be notified as soon as possible. Phone calls (incoming or outgoing) and visits disrupt the camp schedule and may affect camper morale and, thus, are not normally allowed. If you have questions about contacting your child, please call the office to discuss the situation during **Summer Office Hours: 9 AM – 5 PM (M-F).**

**ONLINE PHOTO BLOG:** Enjoy a fun look into Camp via our digital blog at <https://camplebanon.org/blog>. Photos and highlights are added daily! What's more, high quality versions of the All Camp Photo, cabin pics, and other fun memories will be available for free access online. Camp will send a link about a week after camp.

**A WORD TO PARENTS & GUARDIANS:** Thanks for granting us the privilege of spending time with your child or teen. Our staff has a BIG HEART for God, and we LOVE kids! We're committed to helping kids enjoy new experiences, make positive choices, establish friendships, and know the love of Jesus. We welcome your input and are grateful for your support. See you at Camp!



**DIRECTIONS FROM:**

- TWIN CITIES:** I-94 to Albany. North on MN 238 thru Upsala. Left on Cty 228 for 3.5 miles. Follow signs to Camp.
- ANOKA:** US 10 north past St. Cloud to Rice. Left Cty 2 for 3 miles across river. First right (to North Prairie) 17.5 miles to Upsala. Right on MN 238 thru town. Left on Cty 228 for 3.5 miles. Follow signs.
- ALEXANDRIA:** 1-94 to Sauk Centre (Exit 127). North on US 71 to downtown. East (right) on Cty 17 for 12 miles to "T" intersection. North on Cty 35 (becomes Cty 47) 4 miles. East on Cty 2/F for 7 miles past Cedar Lake. Turn north (left) on 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue and follow signs to Camp.
- LONG PRAIRIE:** From US 71 east on MN 287 to Grey Eagle. South on Cty 33 (Todd 2) for 9 miles past Cedar Lake (on the left). Turn north (left) on 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue and follow signs to Camp.
- LITTLE FALLS:** West on MN 27 one mile out of Little Falls. Turn south on MN 238 to Cty 228 north of Upsala and head west for 3.5 miles. Follow signs to Camp.

**PACKING CHECKLIST**

Please **LABEL ALL PERSONAL ITEMS**. Camp is not responsible for "Lost & Found" items. Unclaimed Items will be donated to charity. Owners will be responsible to pay postage returns.

- Bible, Pen
- Modest, Informal Clothing
- Jacket, Sweatshirts
- Modest, One-Piece Swimsuit
- Light Shirt, Dark Shirt (for games)
- Tall Socks & Running Shoes (for games)
- Sleeping Bag, Pillow (or sheets & blanket)
- Towels
- Toiletries, including Soap, Shampoo, Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Deodorant
- Beach Towel & Sunscreen
- Bug Repellent
- Flashlight
- Fishing Gear (optional: keep it simple)
- Spending & Offering Money
- Stationery, Stamps
- Formal Clothing (Senior High only, optional for the banquet)

**ROAD CONSTRUCTION ALERT!**



Hwy 10 in Anoka & St. Cloud  
I-94 Monticello

For details and other locations:  
[www.dot.state.mn.us/construction](http://www.dot.state.mn.us/construction)