



CAMP ST. CHARLES 2017 Information Page

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ONLINE REGISTRATION
is available to new and
returning campers at
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REGISTRATION QUESTIONS

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MAJOR GOALS OF CAMP ST. CHARLES:

- At Camp St. Charles, we strive to facilitate: Christian values, Supporting creation and Creating memories
- Providing a safe, fun, Christian environment
- Developing independence and responsibility through new experiences
- Respect for self, others and God's Creation
- Building self-esteem through facing challenges

2017 OPEN HOUSE DATES		
	Early Bird Open House	March 12 (11 a.m. – 3 p.m.)
	Spring Open House	April 9 (11 a.m. – 3 p.m.)
	Last Chance Open House	May 7 (11 a.m. – 3 p.m.)
THE 2017 CAMPING SEASON		
Session Number	Dates	Due Date for Medical Forms and Final Payment
2017 Full Session Schedule		
I	Sunday June 18 – Saturday July 1	June 4
II	Sunday July 2 – Saturday July 15	June 18
III	Sunday July 16 – Saturday July 29	July 2
IV	Sunday July 30 – Saturday Aug 12	July 16
2017 Mini Session Schedule		
I A	Sunday June 18 – Sunday June 25	June 4
II A	Sunday July 2 – Sunday July 9	June 18
III A	Sunday July 16 – Sunday July 23	July 2
IV A	Sunday July 30 – Sunday Aug 6	July 16

PAYMENT TERMS AND CANCELLATION POLICY:

- The non-refundable, non-transferable deposit of \$200.00 will be applied to the tuition fee upon enrollment.
- Full payment is due **TWO WEEKS** prior to attending camp.
- Balance may be paid in multiple payments via our online system or by checks mailed to the registration office. Please note the camper's name and session on check payments
- Cancellations after June 1st will result in forfeit of all tuition payments made.
- In the event that we do not have space for your child to enroll, your deposit will not be processed.
- Confirmation and other camp information will be sent by email. Please check your spam folder if you don't receive a confirmation email immediately following online registration.
- Save \$100 per registration when you pay in full by Jan 31, 2017.
- Session changes may be made prior to May 1st when space is available in the desired session.
- Optional travel insurance is available for purchase to protect your tuition investment. See campstcharles.org for more details regarding TravMark insurance for student programs.
- NOTE: There are no early registration or sibling discounts on mini sessions.

INCLUDED IN TUITION:

- All camp activities, meals, lodging and snacks are included in tuition
- Scheduled time to participate in all activities (weather may interfere on occasion)
- All arts and crafts supplies and sports equipment
- Camp infirmarian and infirmary supplies
- Supervision and instruction of activities
- Canteen snacks (no money is needed at camp for any reason)
- Spending money and tee shirt for day trip (Majors Only)

- Food Allergies/Special Needs/Other Concerns – Note any special needs or concerns on the registration form and discuss with camp director prior to arrival at camp. We desire to partner with parents for the best experience possible for all of our campers
- Mini Session campers may not have the opportunity to participate in hydro, giant swing and camp out due to the shorter camp session. Mini Session campers who extend their stay through the end of the two week session will have the opportunity to participate in all of the offered activities.

CAMP ACTIVITIES

- All campers will be scheduled to participate in the following activities at camp: swimming lessons, horseback riding lessons, arts and crafts, environmental education, canoeing, small craft boating, stand up paddleboarding, speedboat rides, hydro (tubing), basketball, bombardment (dodgeball), tetherball, volleyball, softball, flag football, soccer, ultimate frisbee, rugby, archery, Giant Swing (high ropes course), challenge course (low ropes course), camp fires, field games, gaga ball
- Campers who are Middies (6–9 years old) will also participate in BBs and a daytime camping trip.
- Campers who are Minors (10–11 years old) will also participate in riflery and an optional overnight camping trip.
- Campers who are Majors (12–13 years old) will also participate in riflery and a day trip to King's Dominion.
- Campers who are exceptional swimmers (able to swim the butterfly stroke) may also have the opportunity to water ski.

MEDICAL FORMS AND REQUIREMENTS:

- A complete Camp St. Charles health form is required annually. Parents may attach a recent physical that is recorded on a different form if the Doctor's signature, date of exam and statement of general health are included. Pages 1-3 of the Camp St. Charles health form must be completed for all campers annually.
- ***Campers must have had a physical within the last 24 months to attend camp.*** We highly recommend an annual physical and require an annual physical for any camper with a health condition such as diabetes, history of seizures, asthma, other health concerns, etc. at the discretion of the camp director.
- Campers who require medication must be familiar with the medications and dosage that they will be taking while attending camp.
- It is very important that you fully disclose all emotional, physical and psychological problems that your child has or has had in the past. We can better help your child have a successful camp experience if we have all the information.
- **The health form and information regarding medical treatment at camp is available for download at campstcharles.org.**
- If you have any concerns about your child's health needs, contact Camp St. Charles.

VISITING:

- During the camping season, we can only accommodate visitors on Visiting Sundays.
- Visiting Sunday is the Sunday midway through each two week session.
- Mini session campers sign out on the final Sunday from 1–1:30 p.m.
- Parents may arrive at 12:00 p.m. and should leave by 5 p.m.
- Mass will be celebrated at noon in the nature area. (Weather permitting)
- You may picnic at camp and are subject to the same boundaries and rules as our campers.
- If your child will be leaving camp property during visiting Sunday, be sure to sign out in the mess hall.
- Children may be signed out of camp by guardians or by other adults if guardians have completed a child custody form granting permission to other adults.

PHONE:

- One of the major benefits that children receive from residential summer camp is an increase in independence.
- We feel that phone calls between parents and children can interfere in this development of self-reliance. Campers may not use the phone. Exceptions may be made in case of emergency. Please review the procedures for sending email and mail to campers.
- If you would like reassurance about how your child is doing, we would be happy to check with his or her counselors and let you know. Campers are not permitted to bring cell phones to camp.

MAIL & E-MAIL FOR CAMPERS

- Please send ALL CAMPER MAIL to Camp St. Charles, *CAMPER NAME*, Cabin #____, P.O. Box 99, Issue, MD 20645.
- Mail received at camp after a camper's return home will be returned to sender.
- Parents are encouraged to provide envelopes, stationary, postcards and postage so that you can hear from your child during their stay at camp.
- Children love to receive packages at camp. We have had great experiences with the Sealed With A Kiss Company but you may send other care packages as well. You are welcome to create your own care packages. No chewing gum is permitted at camp. Individually wrapped snacks are allowed.
- Allow ample time for mail to reach your child. It often takes longer for mail to reach us than you might expect, EVEN guaranteed delivery by FedEx and UPS.
- You may send e-mails to your camper via ***Bunk1.com***. More information about this service is available on the website. This service also allows you to see photos of your child at camp.

PARENT-CHILD WEEKEND: MAY 5-7, 2017 (FRIDAY EVENING – SUNDAY MID-DAY).

- The goal of this weekend is to provide a "dry run" of the summer camp program. Campers get to "try out" our summer program before enrolling.
- We offer many of the summer activities and follow the summer camp schedule so that new campers will feel comfortable when they arrive at camp.
- Families do not have to be registered for summer camp to attend this weekend.
- Check the camp web site for more information about the schedule and fees.
- This weekend is a great opportunity for first time campers and their families to see camp in action.
- Cost of weekend is \$50 per person and camp counselors volunteer to provide this opportunity for families to experience CSC.

DIRECTIONS TO THE CAMP

- Use our physical address in your GPS, 15375 Stella Maris Drive, Newburg, MD 20664 (do not send mail to this address)

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OUR CAMP IS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE: www.campstcharles.org