CAMP JOY HANDBOOK



WELCOME TO CAMP JOY



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Welcome Message

Hello Campers and Dear Parents,

It is with great pleasure that I introduce myself to you as the Director of the Camp Joy programs at our four Joyful Jungle locations. We are so excited to have your children with us for fun and learning. We have been eagerly planning some great activities, field trips and inviting special guests to help us explore our theme of "Summer Fun". We will have different experiences exploring art, STEM, foods and games along with the standard summer fun. ach child will need to bring with them a change of clothing, nonaerosol sunscreen (if desired), a swim suit and shoes for water play, a towel and a water bottle. Please make sure that all of your child's items are labeled with his/her first and last name to eliminate any loss or confusion. Please remember that no toys from home or electronics are allowed in our programs. EWe do not want to lose or have personal items broken. We will not be responsible for the loss or damage of personal items. Our students have had enough technology throughout the school year and because there are so many wonderful ways to engage our minds, no electronics at all are permitted. We have so many things planned that there will not be time to spend with our own items.

Who We Are

Welcome to Camp Joy, our summer camp adventure where faith, fun, and creativity come together under one joyful roof! We are so excited to share a season of learning, laughter, and unforgettable experiences with your child.

Our Mission

At Camp Joy, we aim to provide a safe, engaging, and enriching environment that allows children to explore, grow, and create lifelong memories. Through themed activities, hands-on learning, and character-building fun, we celebrate every camper as a unique part of our jungle family!





01 Hours

Camp hours are 9:00 am-3:00 pm with an option of before and after care from 7:00 am-9:00am and 3:00 pm-6 pm.

Morning snack and lunch are provided during Camp hours. **Campers may not** bring in their own food. We can not serve outside food.

02 What Not To Bring

- Electronic devices (phones, tablets, smartwatches, etc.) are not permitted.
- Toys from home are also not allowed, to prevent loss or distractions.

03 What To Bring

- Change of clothing
- Non-aerosol sunscreen
- Swim suit
- Water shoes
- A towel
- Water bottle with name on it



What To Expect



Weekly Field Trips: Get ready for summer adventures! Field trips will be scheduled weekly and offer fun, hands-on learning experiences.

STEM Activities: Science, technology, engineering, and math will come to life through exciting experiments and challenges.

Maker Station & Pottery Place: Campers can create, design, and get messy while discovering their inner artist.



Procedures & Reminders



- An adult 18 or older must drop off and pick up each child. Children may not arrive or leave on their own.
- Drop-off and pick-up will take place at the camper's classroom or on the playground.
- Our staff will handle sign-in and sign-out procedures.
- A late fee may be applied if a child is picked up after scheduled times



Health & Safety

- Children must be fever-free for 24 hours without medication before returning to camp.
- First aid is administered by trained staff and parents will be notified of any injuries.
- Prescription medications must be turned into staff with a signed authorization form.



By enrolling in Camp Joy, parents acknowledge that photos and videos of their children may be taken during camp activities and may be used in newsletters, social media, or promotional materials. Please notify us in writing if you prefer to opt out.



- Tuition is due on Friday before the week of camp begins.
- Late payments will incur a \$50 fee.
- No refunds for absences unless approved by administration.

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We will share camp updates through the Child Pilot classroom app, which is our main source of communication.

Important Policies

Behavior Expectations

We strive to create a safe and positive camp environment for all. The following behaviors will not be tolerated:

- Physical aggression (hitting, biting, kicking, etc.)
- Bullying or verbal abuse
- Disrespect toward staff or other campers
- Refusal to follow safety instructions
- Damaging property, furniture, or classroom materials

We reserve the right to discontinue services if a child's behavior compromises the safety, well-being, or enjoyment of others.

Field Trip Policy

Campers must demonstrate responsible behavior in order to participate in offsite field trips. If we determine a child may not be safe or respectful during a trip, they will be required to stay home that day.

Please Note: Alternative care will not be provided at The Joyful Jungle on those days.

Damaged Materials

Parents/guardians will be responsible for the replacement cost of any materials or equipment broken due to careless or intentional misuse.

Camp Joy Handbook Agreement

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read, understood, and agree to follow all Camp Joy policies and procedures outlined in the Camp Handbook, including tuition payment expectations, behavior guidelines, photo permissions, communication practices, and field trip requirements. I understand that tuition is due the Friday before each camp week and that late payments will incur a \$50 fee. I agree to support a safe and respectful environment and recognize that repeated or serious violations of camp rules— such as aggressive behavior, bullying, or failure to follow safety instructions— may result in dismissal from the program without refund. I accept responsibility for any damages caused by my child due to misuse of materials. I also understand that participation in off-site field trips is contingent upon my child's behavior and that no alternate care will be provided for campers who are not eligible to attend. I have reviewed all information provided and am choosing to enroll my child in Camp Joy with a full understanding of the expectations.

Please Sign Before Your First Day of Camp

Signature of Parent

Date:

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