



Parent Guide 2026

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Welcome to Camp Arrowhead's 70th summer! We can't wait to welcome everybody back to the shores of Lake Simcoe.

This guide will help you navigate all things Arrowhead for the upcoming summer.

Please read through the guide carefully and completely (we know there's A LOT of information). Look out for helpful links!

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out by email:

campoffice@camparrowhead.ca

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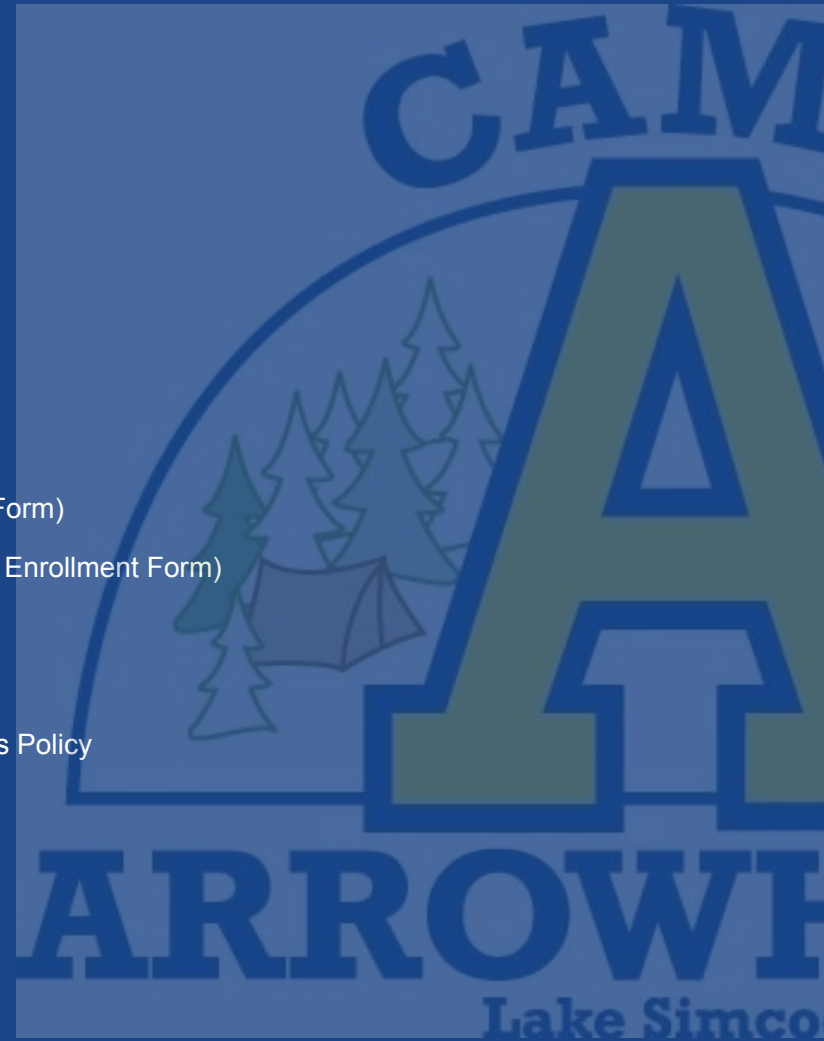
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Campbrain Camper Profile:

Please return to your **Campbrain Camper Profile** and ensure that all required information has been submitted, especially your Medical Form, which **MUST** be submitted no later than one week prior to your camp start date.

This also includes your Proof-of-Age photo.

■ Medical Form	TO BE COMPLETED
■ Waivers & Agreements	SUBMITTED
■ Cabin Placement and Swim Information	SUBMITTED
■ Bus Stop and Pick-up Authorization Form (all campers complete - even if they do not take the bus)	SUBMITTED

Get to Know the Leadership Team

We are proud of our strong leadership team for the upcoming summer:

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Director:	Alex Schwartzberg
Assistant Directors:	Katie Roche and Seth Unger
Program Director:	Cole Unger
Waterfront Director:	Laura Whittington
Head of Land Activities:	Abby Finkelstein
Chickadees Section Head:	Kiera Bloch
Sparrows Section Head:	Julian Bellamy
Hawks Section Head:	Dario Partica
Office Manager:	Katie Roche



General Information

What is the camp address and phone number?

684 The Sixth Line, Innisfil, Ontario, L9S 4R6 (at the 6th line & the lake)

Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm: (705) 816-2938

After Hours (Director): (647) 223-2743

When is drop off and pick up?

Drop Off: A.M. drop off is between **9:00-9:15 a.m.**

Pick up: P.M. pick up is between **4:00-4:15 p.m.**

Please see the Drop-Off/Pick Up page (Page 9) for more details.

What if we are late in the morning dropping off at camp? / What if I need to pick up my camper(s) early?

Please call/check-in at the camp office to let us know that you have arrived at camp. A staff member will come to pick-up your child. In order to minimize disruption to the camp day, parents are asked to let the office know (on the particular day) their intent for early pick up.

What if my camper(s) will be absent from camp?

Please email campoffice@camparrowhead.ca if you know in advance, or by phone in the morning. We practice a safe arrival procedure to check in with any absent campers' families by 11am. If your camper rides the bus, please also be sure to inform the bus captain.

Can I drop off and pick up by boat?

Yes! Campers love it! Please see the Drop-Off/Pick-Up page 9 for details.

What if someone else needs to pick up my campers?

We ask that parents advise us by email (campoffice@camparrowhead.ca) of any non-parents/guardians (who are not on your pick-up list) who have your permission to pick up your campers.



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Drop-Off & Pick-Up Times

Drop Off: **9:00 - 9:15 a.m.**

Pick Up: **4:00 - 4:15 p.m.**

Reporting Absences & Late Arrivals

Parents email campoffice@camparrowhead.ca to inform us of any attendance changes, absences, or late arrivals.

We practice a safe arrival procedure; all absent campers are checked by 11am. If riding the bus, also inform the bus captain.

Early Pick-Up / Late Drop-Off

Please let us know via email or call to notify the office of early pick-up intent on the day.

Check-in at the camp office upon arrival. A staff member will come to pick-up/deliver your child to minimize disruption.

Alternate Pick-Up Permission

Please let us know via email to authorize any non-parents/guardians who are not on your standard pick-up list.

Arrival by Boat

Yes! Campers love arriving by boat!



General Information cont'd

Can I give my camper permission to walk home at the end of the day?

Please let us know via email or call to inform us that your child is allowed to walk home at the end of the camp day from camp or from the bus stop upon arrival.

I have to drop something off to my child. How can I do this?

You can drop off at the office. Please ensure the item is labeled clearly with your child's name.

How many periods are there a day?

There are 6 periods a day. Cabins rotate through the following activities each session: A&C, pottery, landsports, lawnsports, racket sports, volleyball, sail, canoe, kayak, water ski, water trampoline, drama, dance, music, stand-up paddle board, and pontoon. Campers will also have an instructional swim period every regular camp day. A free swim period is also offered on certain days.

How are Cabins determined?

Campers are placed in cabins according to age and/or school grade completed. Some cabins have mixed ages, depending on enrollment.

What happens on rainy days?

Rain or shine, camp is on! We will be outdoors as much as possible. Please dress your camper appropriately. We do have covered spaces when needed.

Are there special days at camp?

Every day at Arrowhead is special! But yes, there are theme weeks, and dress up days, and community days. See our calendar below for an overview!



Packing List

This checklist will help you pack your camper's backpack for each camp day. It is very important that your child arrives each day with all the items on this checklist to ensure full participation in camp activities.

- ☐ Insulated Lunch Bag with Ice Pack (including 2 snacks and lunch, if not ordering).
- ☐ Refillable Water Bottle
- ☐ Sunscreen (min SPF 15, SPF 30 suggested) / Hat !!
- ☐ Lifejacket (if preferred, we have plenty for everyone)
- ☐ 2 Bathing Suits
- ☐ 2 Towels
- ☐ Water Shoes
- ☐ Running/Closed-toe Shoes
- ☐ Sweatshirt/Hoodie

In order to reduce the amount of lost and found generated at camp, please clearly label all articles with the camper's name using a label or indelible marker.

Counsellors may label any unmarked items with a sharpie.

We will be donating any lost and found left over after each session.



Drop-Off / Pick-Up

Drop-Off Time: 9:00-9:15am

Pick-Up Time: 4:00-4:15pm

How To Drop Off & Pick Up Your Camper by walking/biking

All campers arriving/leaving camp on foot or by bike are to enter/exit the campgrounds through the Walking Gate at the end of the 6th Line. Counsellors will be there to greet your children and walk them into camp.

How To Drop Off & Pick Up Your Camper by Car

If you do not live close enough to camp to walk/bike, please park your car along the 6th line (pull over as far as you can) west of Point Place (look for our flag!). Be sure not to block any driveways! Escort your campers to the Walking Gate at the end of 6th Line. Counsellors will be there to greet your children and walk them into camp. If you prefer to “kiss and ride”, you may pull up to the intersection of 6th Line & Houston for a quick ‘stop & drop’. Staff members will be on the road to escort your campers from the road to the Walking Gate and into camp. Cars must exit by turning left and continuing along Houston (no U-turns allowed!).

How To Drop Off & Pick Up Your Camper by Boat

If you are dropping off your camper by boat, please be patient as we can only accommodate one boat at the dock at a time. Wait a good distance from the dock in your boat until signalled to approach by a staff member on the dock. Campers MAY NOT disembark from your boat onto the camp dock without a staff member present.

If you are picking up by boat, please call the office 705-456-2938 by 3:30pm so we can inform our staff and have your camper(s) ready and waiting down by the dock. If you will be using boat pick-up often, we suggest purchasing a separate life jacket to keep on the boat for your kids. Again, please be patient as we can only accommodate one boat at the dock at a time and watch your wake on departure!



Camp Arrowhead: Just a bus ride away!

We are excited to once again offer bussing this summer to share our amazing camp with campers in the city!

Staff members will accompany campers each day on the bus and each bus will have a designated captain. Staff are there to engage and care for the children on the bus ride. Although we encourage social interaction, if parents wish, campers can bring items to help entertain themselves on the bus ride (books, activities, personal devices, etc.). When the campers arrive at camp, the bus captain will collect these items in the bus bag and store them in the camp office safely during the camp day. The items will be returned to the campers when they board the bus in the afternoon. Please be sure to label any items sent to camp.

On Wednesday no staff member will accompany the bus as the staff members stay back for staff rec. There will be an assigned CIT captain who will have contact with the director if needed.

A separate bus letter will be issued to bus campers' families a week prior to each session with detailed information.

Buses depart promptly at 7:45am en route to camp, and at 4:15pm from camp to return to the city.

North Bus: Bathurst St./Rutherford Rd. Plaza (laneway behind What a Bagel), 9360 Bathurst Street, Thornhill

Pick-up 7:45 am sharp Drop-off 5:00 - 5:15pm approx

Lunch

Our popular and healthy-option lunch order program will return this year (with lower prices!) Campers may opt in for any or all of the days. All lunches come with a juice box. A lunch order form will be sent to parents two weeks prior to the start of each session and must be submitted by the stated deadline for orders to be fulfilled. See below for the link to the Session 1 order form.

Monday: Macaroni & Cheese / Chicken Nuggets

Tuesday: Grilled Cheese / Beef Burger

Wednesday: Penne Butter / Penne Tomato / Penne Rose

Thursday: Kosher Hot Dog & Potato Chips

Friday: Pizza

NOTE: All lunch orders are final sale. Non-refundable. Non-transferable.

Allergies, Waste, Snacks

Camp Arrowhead is an allergy sensitive and aware environment.

Read Labels Carefully. Check all ingredients. When in doubt, leave it out!

For more information check out www.foodallergycanada.ca

Waste-free Lunch Guidelines

A waste free lunch contains no throwaway packaging. Food and drinks are packed in reusable containers within a lunch bag or box. All containers are re-sealable, so that leftover food and drink can be consumed (or composted) later.

Camp Arrowhead tries to practice a 'boomerang' lunch program (all uneaten food and waste materials are returned home) which reduces waste and minimizes our environmental impact.

Other lunch tips!

Be sure to pack lunches with a small ice pack or in a sealed lunch container. Please label all food containers and water bottles.

There are two designated snack times during the day. If your child takes the bus to camp, please send them an additional snack for the way home. For younger campers, it is helpful to label the end of the day snack!

Bronze Levels Swim Opportunity - Hawks/CITs

We are excited to offer Bronze Swim courses again this summer. The course will be offered twice this summer: Course 1 for Hawks/CITs campers attending Sessions 1 & 2 and Course 2 for Hawks/CITs campers attending Sessions 3 & 4. *Your camper must be attending for the two consecutive sessions listed above to be eligible.*

Campers enrolled in the course are committed to dedicating the time and focus required. This is a physically intensive course, as well as being intensive in first aid knowledge. Campers are required to swim everyday and to complete the "book work" required by the course at camp and on their own time.

Successful completion of the course is dependent on the camper's ability to perform throughout the course, and they must pass the instructor evaluation before continuing on to the exam.

To enroll your Hawk or CIT camper in this course, you MUST complete the **Bronze Participation Form** no later than June 26 for Course 1 (Sessions 1 & 2) and no later than July 24 for Course 2 (Sessions 3 & 4).

Eligibility:

- Campers aged 10+ who have completed Rookie/Ranger/Star Patrol are eligible for Bronze Star
- Campers aged 12+ with required skill level (to be assessed) are eligible for Bronze Star
- Campers aged 12+ who have completed Bronze Star are eligible for Bronze Medallion
- Campers who have completed Bronze Medallion are eligible for Bronze Cross

CAMP CALENDAR (click to download/print)



CAMP ARROWHEAD SUMMER '26 CALENDAR

Sunday June 28th
Community Event:
Meet the Staff
11:00am-12:00pm

DATE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
SESSION 1 WEEK 1 THEME: AROUND THE WORLD	FIRST DAY! 29	30	July 1 WEAR RED TO CELEBRATE!	2	3 ONEG SHABBAT BEGINS @ 5:30 PM COUNTRIES AROUND THE WORLD DRESS UP
SESSION 1 WEEK 2 THEME: HALLOWEEN WEEK	6	7	8 C.I.T TRIP	9 BONFIRE AND MOVIE NIGHT	10 HALLOWEEN DRESS UP
SESSION 2 WEEK 1 THEME: SPACE WEEK	13	14	15	16	17 ONEG SHABBAT BEGINS @ 5:30 PM SPACE DRESS UP
SESSION 2 WEEK 2 THEME: SPORTS WEEK	20	21 KARATE PROGRAMMING	22 C.I.T TRIP	23 STAFF V PARENT'S BASEBALL GAME	24 SPORT TEAM DRESS UP
SESSION 3 WEEK 1 THEME: ANIMAL WEEK	27	28	29	30 CARNIVAL BEGINS AFTER CAMP	31 70 TH CELEBRATIONS BEGINS @ 5:30 PM ANIMAL DRESS UP
SESSION 3 WEEK 2 THEME: SURVIVOR WEEK	August 3 COMMUNITY AGM - BEGINS 9:45 AM	4	5 C.I.T TRIP	6 CHALLENGE COMMUNITY EVENT	7 SURVIVOR COLOUR DRESS UP
SESSION 4 WEEK 1 THEME: SUPERHERO WEEK	10	11	12	13	14 ONEG SHABBAT BEGINS @ 5:30 PM SUPERHERO DRESS UP
SESSION 4 WEEK 2 THEME: MYTHICAL/MEDIEVAL WEEK	17 STAFF V PARENT'S PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT	18	19 C.I.T TRIP	20	21 MYTHICAL DRESS UP
BONUS WEEK 9 THEME: SPIRIT WEEK (DRESS UP EVERYDAY)	24	25 YOUR FAVOURITE DAY DRESS AS YOUR FAVOURITE STAFF DAY	26 SWIM THE LAKE PAJAMA DAY PAJAMAS DRESS UP	27 MONOCHROME DAY	28 BURNING OF THE A ARROWHEAD MERCH DAY



Community Events (detailed information will be provided closer to each event)

- **Sunday, June 28: Community Event: Meet the Staff (11:00 AM – 12:00 PM)**
- **Friday, July 3: Oneg Shabbat (begins @ 5:30 PM)**
- **Thursday, July 9: Bonfire and Movie Night**
- **Friday, July 17: Oneg Shabbat (begins @ 5:30 PM)**
- **Thursday, July 23: Staff v Parent's Baseball Game**
- **Thursday, July 30: Carnival begins after camp**
- **Friday, July 31: 70th Celebrations/ Oneg Shabbat (begins @ 5:30 PM)**
- **Monday, August 3: Community AGM (begins @ 9:45 AM)**
- **Thursday, August 6: Challenge Community Event**
- **Friday, August 14: Oneg Shabbat (begins @ 5:30 PM)**
- **Monday, August 17: Staff v Parent's Pickleball Tournament**
- **Wednesday, August 26: Swim the Lake**
- **Friday, August 28: Burning of the A**

Security Policy

Camp Arrowhead is built on the foundation of a strong Jewish community and the continued rise in antisemitism is a cause for concern with regards to the safety and security of our campers, staff, campsite, and community.

In accordance with recommendations shared by the UJA and the OCJC Security Committee, and in consultation with the Ontario Camps Association Jewish Community Camps and Support panel, Camp Arrowhead has implemented the following best practices:

- Monitoring systems, including security cameras, motion sensor lighting, and an enhanced camp-wide PA system
- Partnership with local Simcoe County Police to include communication, consultation, and higher visibility/presence on-site; particularly at pick-up, drop-off and during community events
- Staff training provided by South Simcoe Police Community Unit during pre-camp
- Enhanced camp-wide emergency procedures
- Update Visitors Policy (see next page)

Our Security Plan will continue to evolve during the course of the summer, but its purpose will always be to ensure the safety of our campers and staff, which has always been our foremost concern.

If you have any questions regarding camp safety/security, please contact the Director: director@camparrowhead.ca



Visitors Policy

When campers are on-site, all visitors to camp, including, but not limited to: parents/family members, vendors, workers, alumni, and special invited guests are required to register at the office and obtain a visitor's pass, which must be worn visibly at all times while on camp property and returned upon departure.

No visitors may arrive by watercraft at any time and boaters are required to keep a reasonable distance from the waterfront when campers are active on the lake.

There are no visitors permitted on-site after camp hours unless express permission has been granted. The South Simcoe Police has been granted the authority to enforce the Trespass to Property Act in the absence of a Camp designate.

Community Events may require registration.

Cooperation across our community is the key to keeping our camp and campers safe. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

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Health Canada Update: Measles Policy

There has been a rise in measles cases reported in Ontario, primarily among unvaccinated individuals. Health experts expect the rate of new cases to slow down as the warmer temperatures of summer arrive. However, measures must be taken to ensure the health and well-being of the Camp Arrowhead community at-large.

Any individual suspected of measles (clinically diagnosed) or confirmed positive, in addition to all non-vaccinated individuals on site, are to be removed from camp and required to isolate for up to approximately 21 days.

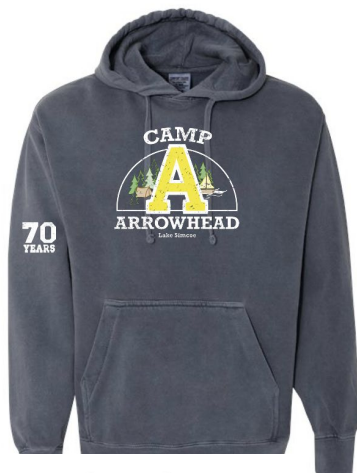
We trust that our community will follow due diligence to voluntarily disclose any suspected or confirmed case of measles, and that camp is informed of any unvaccinated individuals in attendance.

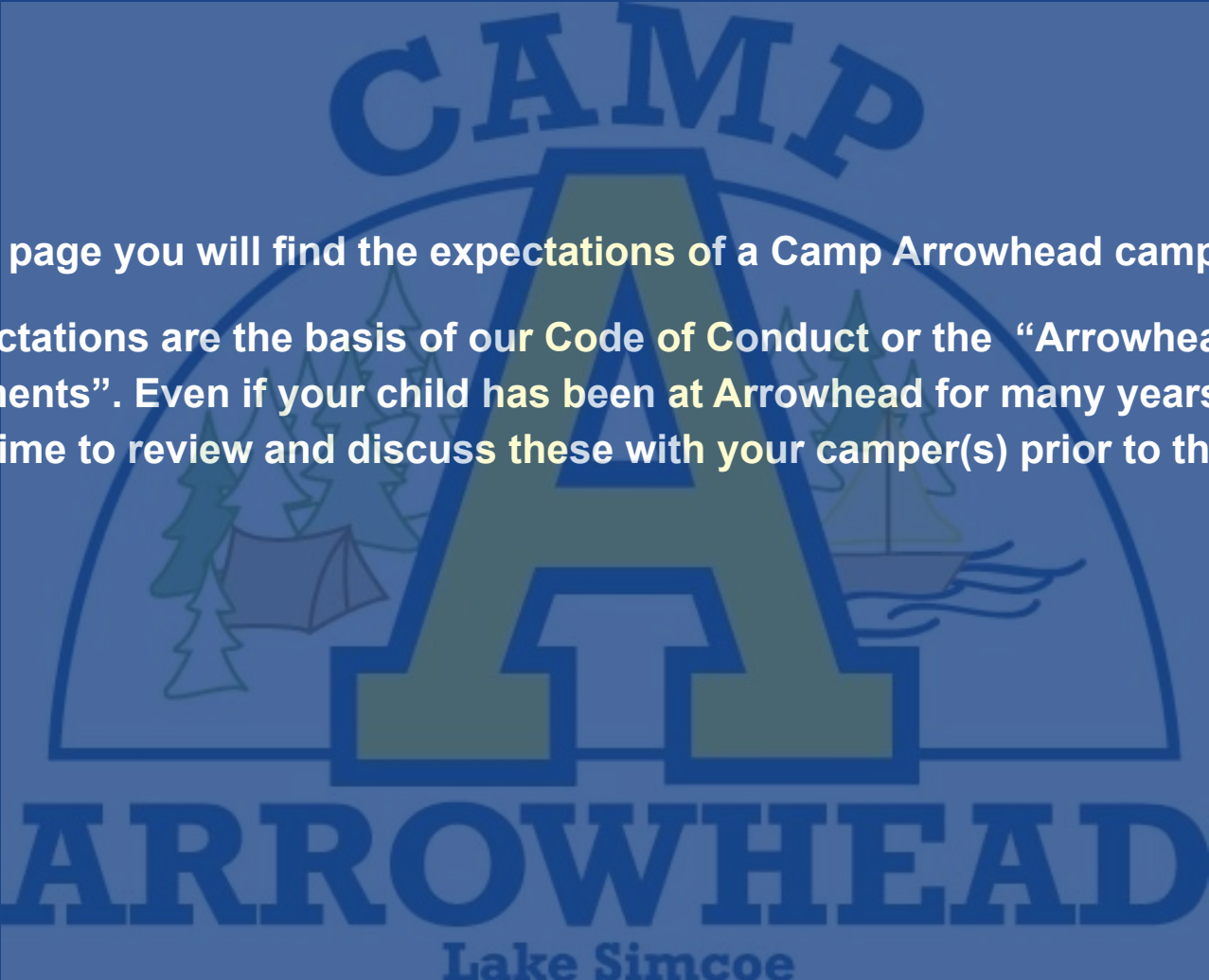
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If you have any questions regarding this policy, please contact Lawrence: director@camparrowhead.ca



<https://form.jotform.com/camparrowhead/camp-merch-order-2026>



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CAMP

On the next page you will find the expectations of a Camp Arrowhead camper.

These expectations are the basis of our Code of Conduct or the “Arrowhead 10 Commandments”. Even if your child has been at Arrowhead for many years, please take some time to review and discuss these with your camper(s) prior to this summer.

ARROWHEAD

Lake Simcoe

Code of Conduct: The Arrowhead 10 Commandments

1. I will participate in all camp programs to the best of my ability
2. I will use appropriate language.
3. I will respect my cabin mates and counsellors.
4. I will care for my belongings, camp property and equipment.
5. I will be an inclusive member of my cabin grouping, unit and the Arrowhead community.
6. I will follow camp safety rules.
7. I will wear a hat, sunscreen and appropriate footwear each day.
8. I will wash my hands frequently, especially when eating and using the bathroom.
9. I will leave all electronics (including phones) at home or in the bus bag.
10. I will have fun, be a good sport and have a positive attitude.



Camper Briefing Request Form

You may request a conversation with our Camp Directors prior to the beginning of your child's first session at camp to share any concerns or ask any questions.

Please complete the linked form to request a camper briefing with Alex or Seth.



[Camper Briefing Request Form](#)

New Water Bottle Fill Station



Safety First: Our new drinking water fountains draw directly from the lake through a rigorous filtration process.

To ensure 100% potability, all water is **tested weekly** according to strict health standards.