Rain Can’t Keep Campers Blue!

Campers and staff alike spent hours jumping in puddles around camp, covering themselves head to toe in the newly saturated mud. Whether it was puddle hopping outside of the dining hall, or muddy rounds of Gaga, it seemed as though no one escaped their muddy fate; even director, Maria, joined the fun! Pictured below is campers dancing in the rain with Maria and counselor, Charles, who seemed to be on the ground more than his feet this week.

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WEEK TWO: STEAM

Campers helped save camp when Dr. Generic “accidentally” exploded camp’s nuclear reactor. They built bridges, planes, balloon jets, miniature rockets, catapults and much more to capture and prove that Dr. Generic was guilty of his accused crimes. Throughout the week they also learned of the second S in STEAMS; second tries! STEAM is full of trials and errors and the kids cruised through each challenge with a great attitude and an open mind.
Bridges and Catapults in Nature

STEAM week is a big week for nature. The campers were presented with extremely difficult challenges. Cadets (ages 8-10) and Juniors (ages 10-12) were given budgets and had to build bridges that met length and strength requirements while competing for style points. They learned how to safely use box cutters and hot glue guns. Seniors worked together to build catapults. They competed for launch distance and durability. Returning campers helped counselors Katy, Geselle, and Zach teach new Seniors about safety of tools including saws, hatchets, hammers, and electric drills.

Morning Hikes with Maria

Early morning hikes with camp director, Maria, is an ever growing craze among campers. Everyone who chooses, meets outside of the director’s cabin at 7:00am sharp! They then embark on a 45 minute walk with Maria. They learn of her childhood in Colombia, moving to the United States as a teenager, and her own children, who are now world travelers themselves.

Maria and the campers agree; there is no better way to start your morning than a stroll through the beautiful nature of Camp Owahta surrounded by people who you love!

Tent Camp

Tent camp kicked off this week with 3 campers and we added 3 to finish the week with 6 tent campers! Throughout the week they learned how to pitch tents, how to start and cook using fires, and that rain makes everything wet! They also bonded through caring for the camp’s many animal companions. Tent campers rallied their friends throughout the week to join and we can’t wait to grow with tent camp this summer.

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