

# Summer In The Sun Day Camp 2019

## Parent Information

This parent information is provided for your convenience. It is our intention to provide quality care and programming with a Christian emphasis, to all participants who attend Summer In The Sun Day Camp. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to consult with the day camp directors or counsellors.

### DAY CAMP INVOLVES....

- \* Arts and crafts
- \* Trips
- \* Activities
- \* A Sleepover night
- \* Swimming
- \* Special events, guest speakers
- \* AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!!!
- \* Lessons
- \* Singing
- \* Bible stories, memory verses
- \* Sports
- \* Making new friends

There will be a **end-of-camp banquet** at the end of the summer! The tentative date is **Friday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019**. All children that have attended camp during the summer are invited to attend this special and fun-filled event with their parents, other family members and friends. Talk to the camp counsellors to get more details later on in the summer.

### General Information:

#### **CAMP HOURS**

**DROP OFF** between 8:30 am - 9:00 am

**Early Drop Off is available** between 7:50 am - 8:30 am for a **weekly fee of \$10**

**PICK UP** between 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm **Late fees (for campers picked up after 6pm) are \$1 per minute, no exceptions.**

#### **WHAT TO BRING**

Campers must bring only what they need for camp and nothing else. Campers should bring running shoes, sunscreen, a hat, a water bottle and a **nut free lunch** every day. They also need to bring a swimsuit and towel each Thursday and when otherwise specified. Campers should *not* bring electronics or valuable items to camp. If a child brings something that is not needed, the staff will request the camper to put it in their bag. If this is not done, the item will be confiscated and given to the parent when the child is picked up at the end of the day.

## **Enrollment**

Summer In The Son caters its program for the interests and group dynamics of children ages **6-12 years old**. We require that in order for children to enter the camp program, they **must have completed Grade 1 or up, and/or completed no grade higher than grade six**. Campers will be accepted on a first come first serve basis.

## **Fees**

**Each week at camp is \$150.** The cost for each week of camp is calculated according to the cost of the weekly trip, materials that will be provided for your child in the form of equipment or crafts, two snacks per day, and a weekly photo CD.

**For RETURNING applicants, we require a Registration Fee of \$25.00.** This non-refundable fee will hold your child's space and provides your child with a camp t-shirt, which they are to wear on our weekly trips.

**For NEW applicants, we require a Registration Fee of \$175.00.** This fee includes the regular \$25.00 fee and the \$150.00 payment for your child's first week at camp. **See Cancellation Policy for further details.**

**\*Please make cheques payable to: DON VALLEY CHRISTIAN CHILD CARE\***

## **Cancellation Policy**

Once your child is registered, if you know that your child **WILL NOT be attending their registered week at camp, please inform the Director a minimum of 1 WEEK in advance**. You can **email** us at [\*\*sitsdaycamp@gmail.com\*\*](mailto:sitsdaycamp@gmail.com) and/or **call** our office at **(416) 491-6421 ext. 27** to make these arrangements.

If weekly **payments have already been made for the cancelled week**, you will receive a **refund of \$150**.

**If the Director is not informed of a cancellation a week in advance, the \$150.00 fee will become non-refundable.**

## **Absence:**

Once your child is registered, if you know that your child will be unable to attend a day at camp (due to illness or other reasons), please inform the Director the day of/before the absence. This is especially important for Trip Days.

### **Tuck Shop**

The Tuck shop is open Friday afternoon each week. This is optional, as there will be candy, chips, pop, and other fun, small snacks available for purchase at this time. **The maximum each camper is permitted to spend each week is \$2.00.**

### **Friday Lunch**

Friday Lunch is an option for campers each week to have lunch provided by camp for one day. **The cost is \$5.00.**

### **Pool Visits**

Once a week, weather permitted, we will go to a local pool, Oriole Pool or Pleasant View Community Pool. Campers must pass their swim test to enter the deep end. The weekly parent letter will indicate which day we will be going to the pool.

### **Trip Days**

We at Summer In The Son have a staff to camper ratio of **1:10** for trips. Summer In The Son staff members included in this ratio are those that are/over the age of majority. When the number of campers exceed the given staff to camper ratio, the camp directors are responsible for recruiting volunteers to accompany us on our weekly trips. This precaution is taken in order to ensure the safety of the children. In order to avoid any conflicts of interest, The Summer In The Son Board of Directors has implemented a no parent/guardian policy on trips. It is not necessary for Parents/Guardians to accompany their children on our trips, as we take every precaution to ensure that your child is having a safe and fun time while in our care.

**Please note: The day camp facility is CLOSED entirely when an off site trip is scheduled. Please make sure that children ARRIVE ON TIME for the trip days (no later than 9:00 am). We always aim to return before 5:00 pm.**

### **Health and Allergies**

Children with any type of serious health problem or allergy must wear a Medic Alert Bracelet. This will be a good reminder and it helps our staff to keep track of various health needs within the group.

**All health conditions must be recorded on the application form as well as verbally reported to the directors upon their first day of camp.**

### **Medication**

Please see the camp director(s) if your child is on daily medication. Only prescription medication or medication accompanied by a doctor's note will be administered by a director while at camp. Please do not leave any medication in your child's possession, day camp directors will store it in a safe and locked container.

### **Illness**

Sick children cannot be admitted to camp. In order to return to camp they must be symptom free for 24 hours. If your child becomes ill during the day we will contact you to come and pick him or her up.

### **Behaviour Management Guidelines**

Children have the right to quality care that is safe and healthy and provides learning opportunities to promote their growth and development. For children to become happy, secure members of society they must learn to successfully deal with problems in interpersonal relationships. As well as learning self discipline and inner control, they must also learn positive constructive ways to interact with other people. To ensure a child's safety and well being, and to foster social and emotional development, it is necessary at times to impose limits or set standards of acceptable behaviour.

**If a child continues to exhibit behaviour that is not compliant with these guidelines, then the Director will meet with the parents to discuss concerns and to document the behaviour. Should this behaviour still continue, the parents will be asked to remove their child from Camp.**

### **Parent Code of Conduct:**

Parents are required to treat all staff with respect and to be courteous at all times. **Questions or concerns about any staff member should be discussed with the Director.** Please do not approach any staff member in an aggressive manner. It is not a parent's responsibility to reprimand a child that is not their own. If you observe any unacceptable behaviour, let a staff person know and allow them to deal with the behaviour.