

Clearwater Camp for Girls



Parent Handbook 2019

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Mission/Vision/Values

Mission Statement

To foster confidence, courage, compassion and community – four points on Clearwater’s compass – by providing a traditional sleepaway camp experience for girls.

Clearwater’s Vision

To provide the Clearwater Camp experience to as many girls as possible – because we know it makes a difference in their lives and they will make a difference in the world.

Clearwater Values

We value the call of the wild as echoed in the loon’s mysterious cry, the beauty and wonder of the natural world around us.

We value the dip of the paddle, the peace of gliding over smooth waters, and yes, the ache and tiredness that come from a day of battling a strong headwind.

We value song around the campfire, the remembrance of many wonderful shared experiences, and the anticipation of the new.

We value the spirit of the Voyageurs and what it tells us about adventure, resilience, courage.

We value our beloved founders, Halokwe and Sunny, and all they taught us about community, camaraderie, friendship.

We value each other as companions, counselors, teachers, mentors, and we value ourselves as strong, confident girls and women.

2019 Dates for Clearwater Camp

Monday April 15	Tuition Due
Wednesday May 15	Completed Forms Due
Friday May 24	Memorial Day Work Weekend Begins
Sunday June 9	2:00 pm Counselors Arrive
Wednesday June 19	1 st Session Begins
Wednesday July 3	Session 1A Campers Depart
Thursday July 11	5:30 pm Gathering with Director 6:00 pm Camp Supper with Parents 7:00 pm All Camp Play
Friday July 12	11:15 am Water Show and Tennis Tournament
Saturday July 13	1 st Session Campers Depart
Sat. July 13 – Mon. 15	Mid-Session for Full Session Campers
Monday July 15	2 nd Session Begins
Monday July 29	2A Campers Depart
Sunday August 4	3:00 pm Dan Chamberlin Memorial Regatta
Monday August 5	10:30 am Horse Show 7:15pm All Camp Play
Wednesday August 7	3:15 pm Water Show and Tennis Tournament 5:00 pm Parent Gathering with Director 5:30 pm Camp Supper with Parents
Thursday August 8	2 nd Session and Full Session Campers Depart
Sat. Aug. 10 – Wed. Aug. 13	Family Camp

Opening Day!

We are thrilled to invite our camper families to Clearwater Camp for another great summer season on opening day! As you can imagine, opening day is incredibly busy for parents and staff alike. With that in mind, and so that our staff can carefully prepare for your daughter's arrival, we ask that parents dropping off their campers adhere to the arrival time that will be given to you a few weeks before your session begins.

You should expect to be greeted by our spirited Staff, who will help deliver your luggage to the cabins. Proceed to the Welcome table, where Liz Baker, our Executive Director, and the Leadership team will make a point to meet with each of you. They will have the cabin list so your camper can move in.

Cabin placements are thoughtfully determined before camp starts, as explained in this Handbook. The cabin counselor will be in her cabin to meet you and help her campers feel special. Please feel free to help your camper get settled in her cabin and then visit the camp store, if you would like.

Opening day provides a wonderful opportunity for parents to tour our scenic grounds and meet and mingle with our staff and campers alike. Whether you are a first time family to Clearwater or a returning family, we thank you for your trust in us to provide an exceptional camping experience for your daughter.

Your Online CampInTouch Account

As you get ready for camp, we encourage you to become familiar with your *CampInTouch* account via our online camp management system, CampMinder.

You can find the login page on our website clearwatercamp.org.

When you registered your child for camp, you created your own *CampInTouch* account with a login password. Here, you will find all the necessary forms and other resources to prepare for a successful summer. Please be aware of the due dates for each of these forms, which are all needed before your daughter arrives at camp.

On page 20, we offer some other tips for getting ready for camp with your daughter as well as additional resources to consider, *Preparing for Camp*.

TRANSPORTATION

There are several ways that your daughter can travel to and from Clearwater Camp:

- via chartered bus
- by plane
- by car

Parents will notify Clearwater Camp about transportation through their *CampInTouch* account by choosing the car, bus or plane icon. Be sure to assign the baggage as it will say “incomplete” if you skip this section. Use the dropdown arrow to identify how your luggage will be arriving and departing, UPS, Fed Ex or “with camper”. **O’Hare campers choose the airplane icon to give us specific flight information and we will automatically place your daughter on the chartered bus to/from camp.**

Last minute changes, including delayed flights, changes in travel plans, or delays in getting to the bus stop, should be telephoned to camp: **800-399-5030**.

DATES FOR 2019:

Arrival on Opening Days

Sessions: 1st, 1A, Full, Wednesday, June 19th

Session: 2nd, 2A - Monday, July 15th

Departure on Closing Days:

Session: 1A, Thursday July 3rd

Session: 1st, Saturday, July 13th

Session: 2A, Monday, July 29th

Sessions: 2nd and Full, Thursday, August 8th

BUS INFORMATION

While we anticipate having enough space, reservations for the chartered bus will be honored on a first-come, first served basis. Clearwater Camp provides lunch for campers on arrival and departure days. Campers may be more comfortable if they bring their pillow and a small blanket as the air conditioning can be cold on the bus.

PLEASE NOTE: For two-week session campers, bus service is provided for arrival only.

BUS STOP LOCATIONS:

Chicago - [Diversey Driving Range](#), just north of where Diversey Parkway dead-ends at Lake Shore Drive.

O’Hare Airport - [O’Hare International Airport](#) at United Airlines, Terminal 1.
(for airport campers only)

Lake Forest Oasis - [Lake Forest Oasis](#) on Tri-State Tollway, I-94 northbound.

Delafield Subway – [2794 Heritage Drive](#) located off I-94, exit 287 (Rte. 87 S.)

BUS FEE: Transportation to and from camp: One way trip: \$150 Round trip: \$300

BUS SCHEDULE:

Please arrive 30 minutes prior to departure.
O'Hare Airport is for ticketed campers only

OPENING DAYS

9:00 A.M.
10:00 A.M.
10:30 A.M.
12:00 P.M.

Chicago
O'Hare Airport
Lake Forest Oasis
Delafield Subway

CLOSING DAYS

3:15 P.M.
2:15 P.M.
1:45 P.M.
12:15 P.M.

BUS LUGGAGE:

Campers traveling to and from camp are allowed **one large trunk or duffel** to bring on the bus. All other luggage should be shipped. This will ensure that everyone's luggage will fit in the compartments on the chartered bus.

DELAYED BUS:

Camp will have communication with chaperones on the chartered bus. In the event of a delay, when the bus is more than 30 minutes behind schedule, we will contact one parent at each stop who will inform the other parents. *If you will be delayed for some reason, please call Clearwater 1-800-399-5030.*

PROCEDURES AT BUS STOPS:

1. Arrive at least 30 minutes prior to departure.
2. Check in with the Clearwater Camp staff and have your child go directly to the bus with any carry-on luggage.
3. Campers will not need excessive food or sweets on the bus.
4. Limit carry-on luggage to one piece per girl, clearly labeled with the camper's name.

Safety Procedures at Bus Stop

The following safety procedures are provided by Lamers Bus Company. Please discuss the following with your daughter before arrival at the designated stop.

- Our pickup and drop off points are public places. Help ensure the safety of everyone by remaining with your daughter until you have checked in with the camp chaperone, and her luggage is safely stowed. After check in, she will be under our care.
- All luggage will be stowed in the compartments under the bus, except for a small daypack.
- All campers must occupy one seat, and they must remain seated unless using the restroom, located at the back of the bus.
- To avoid distracting the driver, your daughter will be encouraged to use an "inside" voice.

- Campers will be informed of emergency exits and other safety guidelines by the camp chaperone.
- All campers will remain on the bus until it arrives at camp. An exception will be several older campers who will accompany the chaperone to purchase lunch at one stop on opening day.
- At the session's end, your daughter will be in our care until she is released to you or your designee by our chaperone.

PLANE INFORMATION

Plane Luggage: Campers have the option to fly into three airports: O'Hare Airport in Chicago (ORD), Rhinelander (RHI) or Wausau/Mosinee (CWA). All **O'Hare campers MUST ship luggage to and from camp**. If using RHI or CWA, luggage may travel with camper.

Cell phone: If your daughter is traveling with a cell phone, make sure her number is included in your registration information. If you provide a charger, all departing airport campers' phones will be charged prior to leaving at the end of camp.

Flight Changes and/or Delays: A Clearwater chaperon will always remain at the airport to wait for a camper, even if there is a flight delay or change.

In the event that a camper's inbound flight arrives too late to meet the bus, a chaperon will remain behind at the airport and arrange alternate transportation to camp. The chaperon will remain with the camper until they have arrived at camp. Parents can keep in contact with the camp office (800-399-5030), where the office manager monitors all chaperones on arrival day and helps to arrange the alternative transportation.

For any outbound flights on the day of camp departure, in the event that a flight has been cancelled and no other flights are available, the Clearwater chaperone will work with parents to arrange for an overnight stay and the soonest available alternate flight.

O'Hare Airport (ORD):

Incoming flights should arrive by 9:30 am CST.

Outgoing flights should depart after 4:30 pm CST

Arrival:

A Clearwater chaperon will meet your daughter at her gate and escort her to the chartered bus. Due to varying arrival times, if for some reason the chaperon is not yet at the gate, please instruct your daughter to **stay at her gate** until she is met. We will provide the chaperon's cell number so the camper has it prior to travel day.

Departure:

A Clearwater chaperon will be at the airport escorting your daughter from the chartered bus to her gate.

Transportation Fee: Campers taking the bus: one way \$150 round trip \$300

Luggage: All O'Hare campers **MUST ship luggage** to and from camp.

Rhineland (RHI):

Campers will be accompanied by a Clearwater chaperon to CWA.. There is no transportation charge for this airport, which is 30 minutes away from camp. The camper will travel to/from camp in a Clearwater van. On **departure day, please pre-pay any luggage fees.**

Wausau/Mosinee (CWA):

Campers will be accompanied by a Clearwater chaperon. All flights are to be scheduled to arrive or depart **between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm.** There is a \$35 transportation charge (one way) for this airport, which is 1 hour and 15 minutes away. The camper will travel to/from camp in a Clearwater van. On **departure day, please pre-pay any luggage fees.**

Safety Procedures for Van Travel To/From the Airport

Please discuss the following with your daughter before traveling.

- Airports are busy public places; the camper must remain with the camp chaperon.
- All carryon luggage will be stowed under the van seat.
- Campers must occupy one seat, and they must remain seated with seat belt securely fastened at all times while traveling.
- To avoid distracting the driver, your daughter will be encouraged to use an "inside" voice.

UNACCOMPANIED MINOR:

Check with individual airlines for age requirements and flight restrictions. If your daughter is flying as an Unaccompanied Minor, make arrangements at the time of ticket purchase.

Arrival: The airlines will need information about who will be meeting your daughter at the airport. Tell them: Clearwater staff, Melinda Pearce, cell number 715-614-7714. As time gets closer, we will contact you and the airlines with the name/cell number of the staff member that will meet your daughter at her gate.

Departure: Please **provide camp with information** of who will be picking up your daughter at her final destination. 24 hours prior to departure, please be sure to pay the Unaccompanied Minor fee for her return flight

CAR INFORMATION

Parents are welcome to drop off and pickup campers by car. We'd love to meet you and show you around camp! ***Please leave your pets at home.***

Opening Day: We are all excited for camp to begin for your daughter(s). To provide the best possible experience Clearwater provides head checks for lice by a professional company. By appointing designated time slots which to arrive, we hope to minimize waiting during this check-in process. We will notify you with specifics closer to the camp season as it relates to first and second session arrival.

By May 15th, parents will note how their camper will be arriving/departing on the Transportation form in their *CampInTouch* account. Clearwater will be sending you email information regarding arrival and departure details.

Departure Day: Plan on camper pickup between 9:00 am and 11:00 am.

Two-week campers, please plan on a 9:30 am – 10:30 am pickup.

Reminder: there is no bus service for two-week camper departure.

Directions: [Clearwater Camp](#) is located between Hazelhurst and Minocqua off U.S. Highway 51. Traveling north, turn right onto Poplar Road, just past Stoney Creek Nursery. Look for the "CLEARWATER" sign (a white arrow with black letters). Proceed $\frac{1}{3}$ of a mile and take a right onto Camp Minocqua Road, passing through the brown wooden gate with orange letters. Proceed 1 mile to the fork in the road, continue straight (remaining on Camp Minocqua Road) following Clearwater signs into camp.

LUGGAGE

Arrival:

Prior to the camper's arrival, three luggage tags stamped with the camp's address, will be mailed to you. Place them on each piece of luggage that will be shipped or brought to camp. We suggest that luggage be sent a week to 10 days ahead; however, we can accept luggage a month prior to your daughter's arrival.

UPS or FedEx: Luggage may be shipped directly to camp, addressed to:

Your Daughter's Name
Clearwater Camp
7490 E. Clearwater Road
Minocqua, WI 54548

Also include Telephone: 715-356-5030

Departure: In your *CampInTouch* account, on the Transportation web form, you **MUST** indicate the number of pieces and how luggage is departing from camp. *Click on "Assign Baggage"*. Tags are colored coded for the various modes of departure.

Clearwater staff will arrange for luggage to be shipped home. Parents will be billed at the end of the camp season.

PLEASE NOTE: For campers flying into and out of O'Hare Airport, all luggage, except carry-on **MUST** be shipped.

CLOTHING / PACKING LIST

PACKING FOR CAMP: Camp is a place where living is simple, so do not over pack. Most days at camp are the perfect “diamond days,” but it can also be cool and damp, so pack clothing that can be layered.

All clothing and equipment must be labeled. Clearwater Camp is not responsible for lost or damaged items. Helpful to order name tags for your camper through Sterling Name Tag Company. www.sterlingnametape.com

TIP: Send this list with your camper so she can check off items when packing for home. For ease of storage, pack in large sports equipment duffel or soft pop-up trunks labeled with the camper’s name.

* **Denotes available in the camp store**

CLOTHING

- _____ 6-7 pairs shorts (*at least 3 of them “quick dry”*)
- _____ 2 pairs of jeans (*3 pairs if in extended riding*)
- _____ 2 pairs warm pants for cool/ rainy days
(*i.e. flannel, fleece, sweats*)
- _____ 8-10 t-shirts
- _____ 4 long sleeved shirts for cool days & trips
(*include light to mid-weight fleece for layering*)
- _____ 2 sweatshirts
- _____ 2 fleece jackets, heavy sweater or winter jacket
- _____ 10 pairs socks
- _____ 2 pairs wool socks for trips & cool days
- _____ 10 pairs of underwear
- _____ 4-6 bras (*sport bras are comfortable*)
- _____ 2 pairs of pajamas (*1 flannel for cooler weather*)
- _____ 1 rain jacket w/hat or hood (**A VERY IMPORTANT ITEM**)
- _____ 2- 3 swimsuits
- _____ 1 white bathing cap*
- _____ 1 cap or hat with a brim

FOR SUNDAYS AND SPECIAL OCCASIONS – Please no logos.

- _____ ALL WHITE: 1 pair of shorts, 1 pair of pants
- _____ ALL WHITE: 1 t-shirt, 1 long sleeved t-shirt
- _____ 2 pairs WHITE socks

SHOES

- _____ 2 pairs tennis/gym shoes (*pack shoes that can get wet*)

- _____ 1 pair lightweight, white-soled canvas shoes or water sandals with heel straps to secure to your foot for sailing (*i.e. Tevas or Chacos*)
- _____ 1 pair hiking shoes/boots, broken in. (*Harbor campers just need a sturdy shoe.*)
- _____ Duck or rain boots (optional)
- _____ 1 pair of riding boots or shoes with heels for riding if you have your own (*riding boots are provided by the camp in many sizes*)
- _____ Approved riding helmet, if you have your own (*helmets are provided by camp*)

BEDDING AND LINEN (*Linens are available for rent through camp, see next page.*)

- _____ 2 sets twin sheets
- _____ 3-4 twin blanket or a comforter and a warm blanket
- _____ 1 mattress pad
- _____ 1 pillow
- _____ 2 pillow cases
- _____ 2 laundry bags
- _____ 3-4 beach towels
- _____ 3 washcloths (optional)
- _____ **Optional:** 1 set flannel sheets, 1 bedspread

TRIP GEAR

- _____ 1 sleeping bag, preferably compact
- _____ 1 ground cloth or nylon tarp (5 x 7')
- _____ 1 10-foot trip rope (*cotton clothesline*)
- _____ 2 bright bandanas*
- _____ 1 unbreakable water bottle*

OTHER ITEMS

- _____ Tennis racket (if you want your own – camp does have a supply)
- _____ Flashlight (or headlamp) with extra batteries*
- _____ Polarized sunglasses
- _____ Personal backpack or “daypack”
- _____ Swim goggles
- _____ Sunblock/sunscreen
- _____ Lice prevention spray – Peppermint spray is proven to be useful
- _____ Camera (*disposables are okay*)*
- _____ **Biodegradable** soap (*Ivory*)*, shampoo/conditioner (*Trek and Trail or Mountain Suds which serves all purposes*)*
- _____ Covered floating soap box
- _____ Toothbrush/ toothpaste*
- _____ Hairbrush/ comb*
- _____ Plastic tote for shower items
- _____ Scrunchies or hair ties* (if needed)
- _____ Bug spray* (with tick prevention)
- _____ Kleenex*
- _____ Writing pads, pens, pencils, address book/list, stamps (enclose enough stamps so that campers will have their “ticket” to Sunday dinner)*

IF NEEDED:

- Sanitary supplies*
- Retainers
- Deodorant*
- Eyeglasses: if your daughter wears glasses, please send a second pair
- Contact lenses supplies
- Safety razors

OPTIONAL ITEMS

- Slippers for in the cabin
- Crazy Creek style chair *store has our logo on it
- Favorite books
- Musical instrument
- Inexpensive waterproof watch
- Items for Rest Hour, such as playing cards, books

ITEMS TO LEAVE AT HOME

- X Cell phones. If needed for travel, please turn in to counselor upon arrival.
- X MP3 players or electronic games
- X Electric appliances, including hair dryer and fan
- X Valuable jewelry or watches
- X Dangling earrings
- X Expensive clothing
- X Pets/animals of any kind
- X Vehicles (It is our policy that campers do not drive themselves to camp, nor keep a vehicle at camp.)
- X Candy, sweets, gum, or food. Clearwater provides balanced meals, and we do not want critters attracted to the cabins.
- X Clothes that are ripped, sexually explicit, vulgar or display alcohol/drug or tobacco graphics.
- X Drugs, alcohol, tobacco products, flammables, or weapons are not permitted. Possession of any of these will result in immediate dismissal from Clearwater.

SETTLING INTO A CABIN: The majority of the camper's clothing will be kept in dresser drawers, with seldom used items stored in the duffle under the bunks. Cabins do not have space for large camp trunks.

LAUNDRY SERVICE

Laundry goes out once a week. Pack wash-and-wear items that are colorfast. From time to time, items may get misplaced, **so be sure to label all belongings.**

The laundry service is included in the tuition.

LINEN RENTAL

Campers have the option to rent linens and parents may reserve them through the **Additional Program Options** form in the online parent account, *CampInTouch* account. A set includes: 2 blankets (more upon request), 2 flat and 2 fitted sheets, 1 mattress pad, 1 pillow, 2 pillow cases and a laundry bag.

COST:

\$20.00 for 2 week session
\$35.00 for 3 ½ week session
\$70.00 for full session.

CAMP POLICIES

Food: Campers are not permitted to have food, candy, gum, or other food items at camp. We provide healthy choices of food at camp as well as some sweets for dessert. In addition, food in cabins attracts unwanted animals and insects. Please respect our policy and please **tell your friends and relatives - do not send food.**

Special Dietary Needs: Notify the camp of your child's dietary needs by May 15th through the online **Health History** form in *CampInTouch*. We are able to accommodate many dietary needs; please call the camp office if you have a concern you would like to discuss in advance. At camp we encourage the campers to try new things, and this includes new foods. We do practice the three bite rule, but allow campers one "no-thank you" a day.

Drugs/Tobacco/Alcohol/Flammables/Weapons: Smoking or possession of any tobacco or alcohol products or any controlled substance is not allowed at camp. Camp is a non-smoking, non-alcohol and drug-free environment. Any camper violating this policy is subject to immediate dismissal from camp. Drugs, alcohol, tobacco products, flammables, or weapons are not permitted. Possession of any of these will result in immediate dismissal from Clearwater.

Electronics/Communications devices: Clearwater is a special place for girls to unplug and connect with each other. We highly recommend that campers do not bring their electronic communication devices to camp because we collect them upon arrival and return them on departure day. We understand that campers who travel need them. Electronic communication devices include cell phones, MP3 players, electronic video games, e-readers, tablets, and laptops.

Cameras: Cameras are permitted at camp, as long as they are not used in a way that violates others' personal privacy. Any cameras used inappropriately will be collected and returned at the end of the summer.

Spending Money: The only campers who need cash at camp are girls who are traveling by plane or staying the full seven weeks, when they have an opportunity to go into town. The recommended amount for full session campers during mid-session should be no more than \$40. Cash (marked for mid-session) will be placed in an envelope and locked in the camp office. Camp store purchases are billed to the parents at the end of the camp season. All valuables will be collected upon arrival and returned at the end of the session. No money is needed for the camp store. All purchases are billed at the end of camp.

Birthdays: Birthdays at camp are special! If your daughter has a birthday during camp, the entire camp will sing to them in the dining room and they will receive a birthday cake to share with their table. If you would like to make the birthday more special, some parents choose to send items that can be used for cabin activities. We just ask to keep the packaging to a minimum.

Phone Calls: Our experience has shown that phone calls between campers and parents actually cause girls to miss home, so are not permitted. Parents may call or email camp anytime with questions or concerns; in addition, we will let parents know if their daughter is experiencing problems at camp.

Visits: Families are welcome to visit at the end of the session during the special events especially for parents and other visitors. Other than these special family events, visits are not scheduled. One of our goals at Clearwater is for girls to become more independent and self-reliant. Family visits during a session can cause campers to miss home and are disruptive for girls whose families are unable to visit. In order to preserve the security and privacy of our campers, we appreciate families honoring our policy.

See the Calendar for a list of special events to which families are invited. All visitors need to check in and check out at the camp office. **Please leave your pets at home.**

Campers who are enrolled in Full Session may have one visit with family and one meal out of camp during Mid-Session. Please notify us in advance of visits and meals out of camp. We must have written permission in advance for girls to leave camp with anyone other than their custodial parent; girls may not leave camp with anyone other than an adult. While some generous parents have offered to take out their daughter's friends, this can cause girls to feel excluded, and so is not our policy.

PHOTOGRAPHS, VIDEOS AND SOCIAL MEDIA:

Clearwater Camp parents and caregivers enjoy seeing photos of their children at camp, as they enjoy their activities.

- Each camper must have initialed and dated *Photograph, Video and Social Media* Permission Statements on file. This is found on our Permission and Assumption of Risk form. Parents may opt in or out of the three following categories:

- Clearwater Camp Events: Staff take photos of campers during the day. These photos may be shared with families by posting on *CampInTouch* photo section, posting on bulletin boards at Clearwater Camp and included in the camper's photobook. A professional photographer may come to camp and take individual/activity photos of the campers during the summer.

- Clearwater Camp Publications: Clearwater Camp uses photos of campers in a variety of publications each year. These include, but are not limited to, the Voyageur, our Annual Report, the Telltale newsletters, Clearwater's website and on social media. No camper's name and photo will be paired in Clearwater Camp's publications without additional permission from parents/legal guardians.

- Newspaper and Television Coverage: Clearwater Camp occasionally sends news items to the media about special camp events. And, on occasion, the media likes to feature Clearwater Camp. No names of campers will be shared or paired with photos taken by Clearwater Camp staff without additional permission from parents.

- Staff will only use open, visible cameras to photograph campers so that camper is aware of photographs as they are being taken.

- If a camper does not want to be photographed, that choice will be honored.
- No photos will be taken in the bathrooms, Rest Hour or when campers are undressed or changing clothing.
- Caregivers may photograph their own children on camp grounds with cameras and/or cell phones except in the bathroom, or changing areas.

FINANCIAL POLICIES AND BILLING

There is no reduction in tuition for late arrival or early departure. Refunds less a \$150 processing fee will be honored for cancellations prior to April 15th. Cancellations after April 15 will result in a refund of half the tuition. Tuition is payable in U.S. dollars by check or money order. **Credit card payments are not an option.** Wire transfers to Clearwater Camp's account is available to International families only. Extra charges for wire transfer are the family's responsibility.

In March, a statement will be sent to parents which includes balance of tuition and optional services including transportation, linen rentals and any extended riding and waterskiing programs.

If your daughter participates in the extended riding or waterskiing program and leaves camp for an extended long trip (optional for 8, 9 and 10th grader), extra classes will be

scheduled to the best of our ability to make up for time away from camp. Therefore, the extended riding and waterskiing programs will not be prorated.

APRIL 15th, the remainder of tuition is due.

If services are provided, these items will appear on this or future statements:

- Bus transportation is: \$150 one way
\$300 round trip
- Extended waterskiing and extended riding is: \$450.00 for 3 ½ week session
\$900.00 for 7 week session
- Transportation fee for Rhinelander Airport (RHI) to camp is no-charge
- Transportation fee for Central Wisconsin Airport (CWA) to camp is:
\$35.00 one way or \$70.00 round trip
- Linen rental is: \$20.00 for 2 week session
\$35.00 for 3 ½ week session
\$70.00 for 7 week session
- Items purchased through the store
- Any additional personal costs: airline Unaccompanied Minor fee or luggage fee or prescription/refills
- Special out-of-camp extended long trips (optional for Point campers)
\$275.00 - \$450.00
- UPS or FedEx charges for shipped luggage and postage for lost/found items.

MAIL, PACKAGES, EMAIL & PHONE CALLS

MAIL & PACKAGES: A highlight of every camper's day is checking the mailbox! Girls love getting lots of short, upbeat letters, cards, and postcards, so share our address ahead of time with relatives and friends. It's nice to begin receiving mail early; parents are welcome to leave a letter with us on opening day or to mail letters in advance.

Please do not enclose candy, gum or other food items with cards or letters.

Packages are opened in front of the camper by a staff member and any food items will be collected. (See camp policy on food on page 14.)

Address: Camper's Name
Clearwater Camp
7490 E. Clearwater Road
Minocqua, WI 54548

VIP: We ask that you keep packages to a minimum (no more than 2 times per week) so your daughter can enjoy camp's simple living. Packages should be the size of a

shoebox; [Pinterest](#) has some really fun ideas (sans food) for simple, creative camp care packages. However, if you are sending a package through Amazon, considering supporting Clearwater Camp through AmazonSmile.

E-MAIL: Campers may not send or receive e-mails, with the exception of our International campers. We would like to offer our International families the opportunity to communicate by email, up to two times a week. Any more than that, the camper is not able to unplug from the fast paced world of electronics. You will be giving the camper a true camp experience of being able to turn inwards to solve problems and as a result become more independent.

PHONE CALLS: You may call us anytime during camp. (715-356-5030) If we're out, leave a message and the appropriate person will return your call as soon as possible.

Campers may not make or receive phone calls. Our goal is the same as yours - we want your daughter to have a successful camp experience. We know from experience that phone calls with parents trigger homesickness. **The most meaningful way for you to communicate with your daughter is through letter writing.** We'll be sending weekly updates to parents and you're welcome to give us a call if you have questions or concerns.

HEALTH CARE

Campers must have five documents on file with the nurse by May 15th. A current Health History, a physical exam by a licensed physician, immunization records, signed permission for treatment document and a copy of your current health insurance card. **If we are missing any documents, your daughter will not be allowed to leave on a trip,** as copies of these documents are given to the trip leader for each camper going on her trip. These forms are located under Forms and Documents in your online parent account, *CampInTouch*.

1. Camper Health History - required online form

This is to be filled out by the parent online.

Each camper's medical history is reviewed carefully by our camp nurse prior to the start of camp. The more we know about your daughter's health history, the better care we can care for her. Please advise the camp updating the Health History of any injury, illness or communicable disease she has experienced within three weeks of arrival at camp. Also let us know about any food allergies. Our chef and his staff will be informed of all camper concerns.

Please note, any information relating to your daughter's psychological or social development (including any counseling) is invaluable in helping us maximize her camp experience.

2. Physician's Exam Form – required document

This form can be printed out and filled in by your child's physician or your doctor's office may have a print out of the last visit. Your child's sport physical is also acceptable.

Campers are required to have a physical exam by a licensed physician within 12 months of arriving at camp.

3. Immunization Form – required document

Have your doctor fill out this form or the doctor's office may have a print out of immunizations, which will also be accepted.

4. Permission to Treat Document – required document

This form has both medical facilities in the area, Howard Young Medical Center and Marshfield Clinic that require your signature. Please sign both places.

5. Health Insurance Card – required document

Please provide a current copy.

MEDICATIONS:

Campers are not allowed to keep medications in the cabin, which includes things such as vitamins and Over-The-Counter (OTC) medications. Please note that the camp health center, called the Rest Cabin, is stocked with OTC medications for occasional use, such as Tylenol, Advil, Benadryl, etc., so there is no need to order these medications through *PillPack.com*.

PillPack is the pharmacy that Clearwater Camp has chosen to handle our medication management program for our campers in this camp season.

Clearwater Camp requires that all prescription and/OTC medications that are taken on a daily basis must be ordered through *PillPack*. **Clearwater will charge a fee of \$150.00 for those who send medications directly to camp and do not go through PillPack Pharmacy.** This fee will offset the considerable time and care we require to ensure correct timing and dosage for your daughter.

Exceptions include the following:

Schedule II medications - *Camp will direct you of how to proceed with these medications.*

PillPack Pharmacy:

There is **no charge** to have your daughter's Rx filled and shipped to camp.

Walgreens in Woodruff:

If your daughter needs a new prescription during the summer, prescriptions will be filled at our local Walgreens. *Clearwater will pay for it and bill you at the end of the camp season.*

Contacting Parents for Medical Reasons: Either the camp director, camp nurse or office manager will contact parents if your camper is taken to a medical facility for evaluation or treatment. Parents will also be contacted if a camper runs a fever of over 100 degrees F for longer than eight hours and/or spends the night in the Rest Cabin.

Emergency Contacts: Please notify those individuals you are using as emergency contacts of their responsibility. We will make every attempt to notify parents in an emergency. If you will be away from home during your daughter's camp session, please notify the camp office in writing regarding your travel plans and itinerary.

Head Checks: Please check your daughter's head carefully before she departs for camp. Campers will be given a head check by lice professionals upon arrival. If your daughter has lice and/or nits, the lice professionals will treat your child and parents will be billed accordingly

PREPARING FOR CAMP

Cabin Assignments: One of our most important goals at Clearwater is to create a close knit community, encouraging girls to reach out and make lots of friends. We do not take cabin requests. Campers are placed in cabins according to their grade and age. Close friends or family members may not end up in the same cabin; however, if they're the same age, they will be close by in the same cabin unit.

We work to make sure that all of our campers get to know each other, and Clearwater campers soon know girls of all ages across camp. There are plenty opportunities for friends to get together through activities, free time, trips, and special events.

What you can do:

- Discuss what camp will be like with your daughter. Share in her excitement about all the new activities and give her a chance to share any concerns.
- Plan a few sleepovers to help her practice being away from home.

- Send a letter before camp, so she has a letter waiting! Let her bring a special stuffed animal, doll or blanket for her bunk at camp, so she can create a “home away from home.”
- Talk about how proud you are for her to take on this new camp adventure.
- Help your child feel good about going off to camp while your child is still at home and getting ready.
- Emphasize in your letters all that the camper is doing at camp or what activities she might like to try and enjoy.

What you can avoid:

- Avoid writing about missing your child and discussing all the family fun she’s missing while at camp.
- Do not make “we’ll pick you up early” deals; this is self-defeating.
- Do not panic if a homesick letter arrives home after the first few days; she may have adjusted by the time the letter arrives to you. Don’t hesitate to give us a call or email if you have questions or concerns.

Missing Home Resource:

- [The Great News About Homesickness](#)
- [Homesick and Happy ~ Michael Thompson, PhD](#)

For more resources about getting ready for camp, we suggest information presented by:

- [American Camp Association](#)
- [Dr. Chris Thurber](#)
- *The Summer Camp Handbook* by Dr. Chris Thurber

AREA LODGING

Listed below are four motels and three resorts that are among the excellent accommodations that abound in the Lakeland area. Those below have been selected because of positive feedback from parents who have used these facilities in past years. Please call the Chambers of Commerce listed below for further information about more than 30 other places to stay.

MOTELS: [AmericInn by Windham](#): (1-800-634-3444 or 715-356-3730) Located across from Torpy Park on Lake Minocqua. Indoor pool, continental breakfast, 66 rooms including 31 with Jacuzzis.

[Arbor Vitae Motel](#): (715-356-3396) Located 8 miles north of Camp on Hwy. 51.

Best Western Plus Inn: (715-356-1800) Across from Torpy Park, Hwy. 51. Downtown, one block to shopping and restaurants. Features over 50 rooms, family suites, indoor pool/whirlpool, some rooms with whirlpools, a game room, cocktail lounge, and continental breakfast.

The Pointe Hotel & Conference Center: (715-356-4431) Located on Lake Minocqua just south of bridge on west side of Hwy. 51, just 5 minutes from camp yet in town for convenience. The Pointe has a large variety of accommodations, plus a special family rate for mid-week guests. Has indoor swimming pool plus a sauna and private decks on the lake. No dining facilities but they have occasional Sunday brunches.

RESORTS:

The Waters of Minocqua (715-358-4000/877-992-8377) info@thewatersofminocqua.com. Located very close to camp on Hwy. 51 south of Minocqua. 10,000 Square Ft. Indoor Water Park. The Rendezvous Pub & Eatery, Arcade.

The Beacons of Minocqua (715-356-5515/800-236-3225) offers one, two and three bedroom condominiums on Lake Minocqua, close to town with excellent boating and swimming facilities. Indoor pool, sauna and whirlpool-all in the main lodge. Daily and weekly rates are available.

Coon's Franklin Lodge: (715-385-2700) has provided many happy weeks for Clearwater families. Several families return year after year. All of the meals are included in the price. On Trout Lake about 20-25 minutes from camp.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF AREA TOWNS:

<u>Minocqua - Woodruff</u>	715-356-5226
<u>Sayner-Star Lake</u>	715-542-3789
<u>Boulder Junction</u>	715-385-2400
<u>Lac du Flambeau</u>	715-588-3346
<u>Eagle River</u>	715-479-6400
<u>St. Germain</u>	715-542-3424

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