

2022 CAMPER HANDBOOK





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To ensure a positive and safe experience at Banner Day Camp, all campers need to follow the guidance of the leadership and staff. Please review these guidelines with your camper.

TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY

- Physically or emotionally hurting yourself or anyone else is not allowed.
- Physical fighting and verbal abuse are not allowed.
- Screaming, singing or yelling in a manner that would be harmful to your vocal cords is not allowed.

HAVE A FRIEND, BE A FRIEND

- Be sensitive to the feelings of everyone in your group and at camp.
- Encourage yourself and other campers to learn new activities so everyone can have fun.

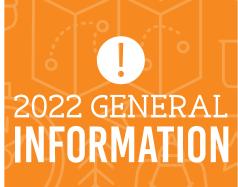
PRACTICE GRATITUDE AND UNDERSTANDING

- Understand that sometimes you and others make mistakes.
- Be grateful for the opportunity to learn from these mistakes.
- Be thankful for the experiences you have and what you learn from them.

LEARN, TRY, PARTICIPATE AND PLAY

- This is what Banner is all about.
- Give it your best each day and remember our motto:

It may be hard, it may take time.
But stick with it, and you'll be fine.
YOU CAN DO IT!





SESSION DATES

8 Week Session: June 20 - August 12

1st Session: June 20 – July 15 **2nd Session:** July 18 – August 12

IMPORTANT DATES*

Week 1	Monday, June 20 Friday, June 24	First Day of Camp Picture Day & Ribbon Ceremony	
Week 2	Friday, July 1	Olympic Day	
Week 3	Monday, July 4	No Camp	
Week 4	Friday, July 15	Carnival Day	
Week 5	Monday, July 18 - Friday, July 22	Banner Spirit Week	
Week 6	Friday, July 29	Wild West Day	
Week 7	Friday, August 5	Bannerpalooza	
Week 8	Friday, August 12	Swim-a-Rama & Last Day of Camp	

^{*} Events are subject to change.

LUNCH PROGRAM

Campers have the choice to bring lunch from home or to participate in the hot lunch program. After camp begins, lunch programs may be changed by contacting the camp office. Hot lunches are not available to be ordered on a day-to-day basis. Beverages, snacks and treats will be provided for all campers. Campers and staff eat lunch in Banner's air-conditioned dining hall or outdoor eating areas Monday through Thursday. Friday cookout is served in the shaded picnic grove.

HOT LUNCH

Banner hot lunches appeal to the demanding appetites of campers. Lunches **may not** be purchased on a day-to-day basis.

Monday: Cheeseburger or hamburger on a bun, tater tots, fresh

apple slices, sugar snap peas.

Tuesday: Baked chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, orange wedges,

cucumber, tomatoes.

Wednesday: Pizza, strawberries, green peppers.

Thursday: Macaroni & cheese, tossed salad, breadstick, grapes.

Friday: Hot dog cookout, potato chips, watermelon, pickle spears.

Pre-selected optional lunches offered include a variety of sandwiches (turkey, peanut butter & jelly, organic turkey wrap, bagel & cream cheese), baked potato or garden salad. Optional lunches are served with chips and yogurt.

FRIDAY COOKOUT

Campers who bring a sack lunch from home Monday – Thursday may purchase the Friday Cookout.

Hot Lunch Program Pricing	8 week session	4 week session
5 Day Week Campers*	\$330	\$165
3 Day Week Campers* (Junior Camp Only)	\$198	\$99
Friday Cookout Only	\$66	\$33

^{*} Includes Friday cookout

SACK LUNCH

Campers who bring their lunches must bring them in single-use containers that will be thrown out after lunch. All sack lunches must be labeled with the camper's name and bench number. Lunches will be collected in the morning and refrigerated. All campers are given a choice of milk, water or lemonade drink with lunch and an ice cream/popsicle treat at the end of the day, regardless of lunch options.

^{*}Menu subject to change

TRANSPORTATION

Door-to-door transportation is included provided that families live within Banner's bus boundaries and are accessible by school bus. Boundaries are subject to change. Families that are outside of bus service areas are welcome to meet at central pickup/drop-off points.

REGISTRATION POLICIES

A completed application along with a full deposit is necessary to process each camper's registration.

DEPOSITS

Deposits are fully refundable until January 15. After January 15, \$500 of the \$1000 deposit is refundable or transferable. After April 1, the \$1000 is non-refundable and non-transferable.

BALANCE OF TUITION

Balance of fees are due on or before April 1. Banner Day Camp reserves the right to cancel enrollment if fees are not paid by the above date. After April 1, full tuition is due at the time of enrollment.

REFUND POLICY

- Cancellations prior to January 15 Full desposits and any tuition paid will be fully refunded.
- Cancellations after January 15 \$500 deposit (per camper) is non-refundable and non-transferable. All tuition paid beyond the \$1000 will be refunded.
- Cancellations after April 1 \$1000 deposit (per camper) is non-refundable and non-transferable. All tuition paid beyond the \$1000 will be refunded.
- Cancellations after June 1 Desposits and tuition are non-refundable and non-transferable.

REDUCTION IN WEEKS

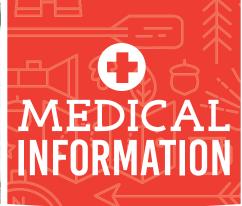
Any enrollment changes resulting in a reduction of weeks after April 1 is subject to a \$125 fee.

ABSENCE POLICY

Banner Day Camp does not offer make-up days or refunds for camper absences.

PARTICIPATION POLICY

In the event that Banner determines enrollment or continued participation in Banner's program is not appropriate, Banner reserves the right to discontinue service. In such circumstance, any unused portion of tuition paid will be refunded based on Banner's weekly schedule of fees.





HEALTH FORM

If you have not already done so, please fill out the online Camper Health Form required by the American Camping Association in the Family Login at bannerdaycamp.com. This form does not need to be filled out by a physician. Please write the specific date of each immunization or check the "All vaccines are current" box on the back of the health form. The ACA requires the date of your camper's most recent tetanus shot.

COVID VACCINATION

Please upload a copy of your camper's vaccine card using the family login. COVID vaccines are not required.

MEDICATION AT CAMP

If your camper needs any medication at camp, send the medication with a note directed to the infirmary on the first day of camp. All medication should have clear dosage directions and the time it is needed. The nursing staff will administer medications to your camper. Feel free to call your age-level leadership to discuss any specific needs.

ALLERGIES

Notify camp of any allergies your camper may have in order to prepare our staff to handle any special dietary needs, medications, EpiPens and Auvi-Qs. Banner will do its best to accommodate any camper with allergies. The severity of a child's allergy may require individual meetings and action plans. Make sure all medications, EpiPen, Auvi-Q, etc. have not expired. All staff will go through training during orientation week on how to manage allergies and administer emergency medication. If you need an EpiPen, Auvi-Q, etc. to travel on the bus, please let camp know and we will make a red pack for the bus.





INFIRMARY

Banner has registered nurses on staff at all times. Banner's nurses will dispense all medications and handle any infirmary needs.

HEALTH MONITORING

If your child has a temperature over 100.4, a cough or other COVID-like symptoms, they cannot come to camp. Your camper can return to camp after being fever and symptom free for 24 hours with a negative COVID test (home tests are accepted) or an alternate diagnosis and being cleared by your doctor (per IDPH/CDC guidelines).

SICK CAMPERS

If your camper is sick and needs to be sent home, you will need to be able to pick up your camper within one hour of our call home. Any camper with a fever, vomiting, diarrhea, or unexplained cough will be sent home and will not be able to return until they are fever and symptom free for 24 hours and a negative COVID test. We know that most illnesses we see at camp will NOT be COVID related.

If a camper or staff member has a confirmed case of COVID-19, they will be required to stay home for the designated amount of time.





Door-to-door transportation is provided for families that live within Banner's bus boundaries and are accessible by school bus. Boundaries are subject to change. Families that are outside of bus service areas are welcome to meet at central pickup/drop off points. Campers will not be able to ride any bus other than their assigned bus.

BUS ROUTE INFORMATION

Approximate pickup times are located on the bus information sheet to be sent home in June. In the afternoon, buses depart from camp by 3:30 pm. Call the camp office with any questions.

BUS ABSENCES

In the event of an absence, call the camp office as soon as possible.

LATE ARRIVALS

A camper not riding the morning bus may be dropped off at camp after 9:00 am.

EARLY DEPARTURES

Parents can make arrangements to pick up a camper by sending a bus note or calling the camp office **by 1:00 pm the day prior to the change**. In most cases, your camper will be ready at the front porch at the time requested. Pickups must be completed by 3:00 pm Monday through Thursday and by 2:50 pm on Fridays.

BUS EXPECTATIONS

Campers should:

- Be ready and waiting outside five minutes prior to pickup time.
- Stay seated on the bus.
- Be kind and friendly to others.
- Participate in bus activities.

- Refrain from screaming or yelling.
- Keep the bus clean and free of debris.
- Be ready on deck for drop-off.





BANNER LOOK

A Banner t-shirt and gym shoes must be worn for all camp activities. Flip flops or sandals are allowed to be worn to and from the pool only. Banner t-shirts should be worn daily. Each camper will receive three complimentary classic logo t-shirts. We recommend having three to five shirts. An online store to purchase additional gear will be available this spring. T-shirts will be mailed to your house prior to the start of camp.

LABELING BELONGINGS

Label all clothing and personal belongings with your camper's full first and last name and bench number. Banner would like to emphasize the importance of labeling all items brought to camp. Every effort will be made to return misplaced items. Towels, swimsuits, shirts, shoes and more can be labeled with a sharpie or name labels can be ordered from mabelslabels.com.

WHAT TO BRING

- Backpack
- Sunscreen
- Bathing Suit
- Face Mask

- Weather Appropriate Gear (sweatshirt/rain jacket)
- Flip Flops or Sandals (for the pool only)
- Water bottle

WHAT NOT TO BRING

- Personal valuables
- iPod/iPad/iPhones
- Cell phones
- Trading cards
- Any gaming devices (DS, Switch, etc.)
- Glass containers
- Gum

- Alcohol or drugs
- Weapons

Banner is not responsible for valuables or collectibles brought to camp.

CHANGE OF CLOTHES

(Banner Beginnings and Junior Camp Only)

Pack a complete change of clothes – shirt, pants, socks, and underwear – in a clearly labeled gallon sized ziploc bag. All campers are required to be potty trained by the start of camp, however we realize that accidents do occur. Should accidents become frequent and/or regular, we will call home and discuss a plan with you.

SPECIAL EVENT DRESS-UP

Campers are encouraged to dress up for the Friday special events and incorporate your classic Banner t-shirt into your costume. Costumes and/or masks should be tasteful, appropriate, fun and



weather appropriate. Scary and violent costumes are not allowed. See the calendar for the special events schedule and which days allow for dress-up.

RAINY DAY ACTIVITIES

On rainy days, Banner campers continue to enjoy fun activities and programs in the pavilions and other on-site building facilities. Activities include games, crafts, music, sports, dance, and movies.

SUNSCREEN

The majority of our campers' activities will be in Banner's shaded oak groves. During swim and other activities, campers may be in direct sunlight. We recommend applying sunscreen prior to camp each day. If you would like your camper to reapply sunscreen after swimming, send it in your camper's swim bag. If you have any additional requests or instructions, please send a note on your Camp Notes pad.

MOSQUITO REPELLING

Banner Day Camp prides itself on ensuring camper's comfort and safety. A professional mosquito abatement service sprays the camp twice weekly at night after the campers have gone home. In the event that mosquitos become problematic, the abatement program will be increased. If you find that your child is still being bitten, we recommend that you apply mosquito repellent at home. If you would like your camper's counselor to reapply repellent after swimming, send it in your camper's swim bag along with a note to the office on your Camp Notes pad.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK

I understand that part of the camping experience involves activities, group arrangements and interactions that may be new to my child, and that they come with certain risks and uncertainties beyond what my child may be used to dealing with at home. I am aware of these risks, and I am assuming them on behalf of my child. I realize that no environment is risk-free, and so I have instructed my child on the importance of abiding by the camp's rules. My child and I are both familiar with these rules and will follow them.





To best serve your camper's needs, direct any concerns, questions or positive comments to the appropriate Leadership Team member.

The Leadership Team members are camp directors who actively participate in the camp program during the hours of 9:00 am-3:30 pm. The optimal time to contact a Leadership Team member is from 8:00 am to 8:50 am and from 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm. If you need to get in touch with a member of the Leadership Team during the camp day, call the camp office and the Leadership Team member will return your call in a timely fashion.

AGE LEVEL LEADERSHIP

OFFICE HOURS

Pre-season office hours are 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Friday. During the camp season, office hours are 7:30 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Friday.

CAMP NOTES

Prior to camp you will be provided with a yellow Bus Notes pad for transportation needs and a white Camp Notes pad for communicating camper needs to the group counselor. Complete notes thoroughly and clearly and give them to your bus staff.

PHONE CALLS

Banner's Leadership Team welcomes parent phone calls each day. If you need to check in on your camper, call the camp office. Banner's team will get back to you promptly. Call with any question, concern or update.





LEADERSHIP PHONE CALLS

Your camper's age level Leadership Team member will be calling home prior to camp and throughout the summer to speak with you about your child's needs and Banner experience.

COUNSELOR ZOOM CALLS

Group counselors will introduce themselves to their campers through a pre-camp zoom call. Counselors will receive their group assignments on Thursday, June 16.

WEBSITE

Visit our website at bannerdaycamp.com to find out about recent activities and upcoming events and to see pictures of campers. Blog updates will help keep you informed on what's happening. Be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

EMAILS

Banner will email updates and information throughout the summer in addition to weekly emails from your Leadership Team member. Leadership will check email prior to the camp day by 8:45 am and after the buses leave. For urgent and important matters, calls may be best.

TELEPHONE BROADCAST

Banner Day Camp may contact you during the summer with a "Broadcast Message." We use this system to notify you of urgent, time sensitive changes to our program. Caller ID will identify the call as being from Banner Day Camp or 847.295.4900. When answered, a recorded message will play.

ONLINE PHOTOS

You will be receiving an invitation and instructions to view online photo albums to see pictures of your camper at camp. Be sure to check these albums.





The Banner Day Camp Leadership Team includes more than 30 educators and camp professionals who are dedicated to providing unsurpassed supervision at camp. From planning and participating in activities, supervising and guiding staff and addressing camper needs, Leadership Team members are devoted to creating an exceptional Banner experience for each child.



STACY SCHWARTZ KOTELOV Owner/Executive Director

Banner and my life go hand in hand. I grew up surrounded by camp and am so proud that Banner is part of my family. I have taken part in nearly every role at Banner – from camper to Leadership Team Member and everything in between! I am excited to continue my parents' vision of the first 50 years of camp as I have now taken the lead into the next generation of Banner. I enjoy guiding the Leadership Team and working with campers, staff and parents to

create the very best Banner experience possible. Being at camp and implementing the customs, spirit and tradition of Banner is something that I truly love. It is so rewarding to watch how much our campers and staff grow throughout the summer. The Banner tradition continues on in my family. My husband, Paul, spent 20 years working at Banner, and my children Noah (21), Eli (24) and Ari (27) have spent their summers here and have worked at Banner! Every day that I walk into camp, it fills my heart and soul. I still feel the same passion, love, joy and pride for camp and all that it stands for. I am so happy to have your family be a part of the Banner family.



HOWARD THALL Executive Director

I am looking forward to spending my 30th summer at Banner. Camp is my year round home and I enjoy working with almost every area of camp. I truly believe that there is no better place to be. Throughout my time at Banner I have had the opportunity to serve as an age-level director, pool director, and winter office manager. I am now partnering with Stacy to plan and run our camp program. I enjoy working with the Leadership Team and

staff to create an excellent program for all of our campers. I have the great privilege of spending Banner summers with my children, Maddie (22) and Sophia (20). I am excited for another great summer at camp and hope that all your children have a wonderful and growthful camp experience.





NIKI PAPAK Program Director

I am so excited to begin my 23rd summer at Banner! As the program director, I spend my days creating and implementing activities and events at camp and sincerely believe that Banner offers the most exceptional camp program around. I find great joy in interviewing and working with the staff and know that they are what make Banner so incredible. Before working at Banner year round, I taught middle school Spanish. While I often miss

my class of eighth graders, I am still able to use my passion for teaching here at Banner and I get to see the growth the campers and staff make all summer long. My son, Thor (14), has spent every summer of his life at camp and I have seen first-hand as a parent the unique social growth and skill development that happen at camp. I hope that you and your campers have the very best summer at Banner and I feel honored to be a part of your Banner family.



MELANIE MANN Junior Camp Director

I am so excited to be celebrating my 28th summer at camp and continuing the adventure of overseeing the entire Junior camp and working with the Banner Leadership Team & staff. My entire family is here at Banner sharing in such a heartwarming and fun experience! Charles, my husband, also works at camp leading the Senior camp. Our two boys – Tyler (18) and Kevin (15) – talk about camp all year long and count down the weeks until camp.

We love coming to camp every day! I get to see the tremendous impact camp has on so many people's lives – a place to make friends, gain self-confidence and try so many new, exciting activities and adventures. I have worked year round at Banner for 24 years and it is very rewarding to plan and organize Banner's exceptional program, train and teach our newest Leadership Team members, and work closely with numerous staff members and campers. I have the benefit of communicating with so many Banner families and working with all aspects of camp. Please let me know if there is anything I can do for you or your camper. I am eager to once again get camp started and look forward to talking with you soon.



CHARLES MANN Senior Camp Director

I have been a part of Banner Day Camp for the past 28 years. I began at camp as a counselor and have spent the past 24 summers serving as a Leadership Team member. I oversee the entire Senior camp and work with your age-level Leadership. Banner is also a part of my family; my wife Melanie works at camp and my two sons are here as staff & SIT. During my "non-Banner" months, I am the Social Science Department

Chair at Vernon Hills High School. I also serve as an Adjunct Athletic Director in the fall and enjoy coaching the Varsity Boys Volleyball team in the spring. I am ready for the summer to begin and cannot wait to meet your camper and create a positive experience.



RON PORT

Transportation Director

Banner is not just a job for me; Banner is home. I have been blessed with having the Banner experience in my life for 34 years and have done much of my own growing here at camp. Through Banner, I have formed unforgettable relationships with others by being a counselor, mentoring counselors, training our bus drivers and working with the bus routes. During the school year, I am a technology teacher in North

Chicago. My daughter, Lilly (20), has spent her summers at Banner as a camper and counselor. It's amazing for me to see camp through her eyes and to share the experience with the other Banner parents and families. I hope your experience at Banner this summer is as wonderful as mine always is and will be.



AARON KAHN

City Transportation Director

I am thrilled to be returning to Banner as part of the year-round Leadership Team, focusing on transportation and logistics. I previously worked at Banner as a Specialty Councilor & Bus Driver. After graduating from college, I transitioned into a marketing & merchandising career in the consumer electronics & video game industry, where I have spent the last 13 years. My time at Banner had left

an indelible impression on me. Having an opportunity to return to camp had always been a dream of mine. I am so excited that this dream is now a reality. Jamie, my wife, also works at camp as a part-time member of the Leadership Team, and our daughter Shayna (4) is currently a Banner camper. I look forward to sharing the Banner experience with campers and families this summer.



BECKY HASSELSON, KELSEY GORELIK & ALISON SULLIVAN

Pool Directors

As your Pool Leadership Team, we have many years of experience at our favorite place – the Banner pools. We love to swim and have strong backgrounds in teaching swim instruction and lifeguarding; this will be Becky's 18th summer, Alliosn's 11th,

and Kelsey's 13th summer at Banner. Becky spends her school year at home with son, Noah (7), and works part-time in the Banner office. A former teacher, Alison stays home during the winter with her two girls, Parker & Reagan, who are Banner Campers. During the school year, Kelsey works at Bernard Zell Anshe Emet. Becky is a Starguard Elite Lifeguard Instructor and trains all Banner lifeguards and swim instructors. Our goal as Pool Leadership is to ensure that all campers have a safe and positive swim experience at Banner, and we are available to talk about your camper's swim progress anytime.



BRAD GREENBERGAthletic Director

I am so excited to begin my 23rd summer at Banner and my 14th summer on the Leadership Team. I am the Athletic Director and help to coordinate all specialty areas. I love working with the campers and helping them have fun while developing their skills and confidence. I am currently a physical education teacher at Kipling Elementary School in Deerfield. I met my wife, Lisa, at Banner. My daughter,

Joie (8), will be beginning her 7th summer at Banner and my son Blake (6) will be beginning his 4th.



JESSIE HOFFMAN Office Coordinator

Every summer at Banner is more rewarding than the last. This will be my 15th summer working at camp. I work in the Banner office year round and spend the majority of my day overseeing day-to-day office communication. I coordinate and train all of our bus drivers. I work closely with the entire Leadership Team and office staff to ensure that all of your phone calls and questions are answered promptly, and to

guarantee each camp day runs smoothly! My son, Lucas (5), is a Banner camper. I look forward to seeing familiar faces and to meet as many new campers as possible throughout summer 2022!





ADVENTURE

- Balance Bikes
- Banner 100
- Bungee Trampoline
- Dune Buggies

WATER FUN

- Agua Climbing Wall
- Agua Jump
- Bumper Boats
- Canoeing

ARTS

- Arts & Crafts
- Ceramics
- Clowning & Magic
- Cooking
- Creative Creations
- Dance & Poms
- Drama
- **IMAGINATIVE PLAY**
- Banner Builders
- Banner Farm Bannerville
- **SPORTS**
- Archery
- Baseball
- Basketball Flag Football
- Floor Hockey

- Go Karts
- High Ropes Course
- Plasma Cars
- Pioneering
- Diving
- Fishing
- Junior Lake
- Kayaking
- Drumming
- Hip Hop Team
- Jewelry
- Juggling
- Lanyard Model Building
- Painting
- Imagination Playground
- Nature Center & Garden
- Sandbox
- GaGa
- Gymnastics
- Kickball
- Lacrosse
- Sand Soccer

- Rock Climbing
- Slingshot Paintball
- Traversing Wall
- Zip Line
- Paddle Boats
- Senior Lake
- Swimming
- Waterslides
- Rocketry
- Sewing
- STEM & Design
- Songs
- Yoqa
- Ship Playground
- Storytelling
- Train Playground
- Sand Volleyball
- · Pillo Polo
- Soccer
- Trampball
- Wiffle Ball

GYMNASTICS & BUNGEE TRAMPOLINE

Any parent who objects to their child's use of the equipment may arrange for the child to have alternate gymnastics instruction by notifying the camp.





ROPE COURSE & CLIMBING WALL

Senior and Tween campers can participate in the Climbing Wall and High Ropes Program. Gym shoes are required for this activity.

LAKES

Banner's privately owned senior lake is an off-site environment. Staffed with lifeguards, the lake requires all campers wear personal flotation devices for additional safety. Banner's junior on-site lake has been stocked with fish and is a favorite water play area and fishing hole for Banner Beginnings and Junior Campers.

DUNE BUGGIES

Gym shoes are required. Campers who have completed 2nd grade through Tweens may participate. Campers must follow safety guidelines and rules. Go Karts are scheduled for Junior Campers completing Kindergarten and campers who have completed 1st grade.

SWIM PROGRAM

Banner's swimming pool complex is designed for safety, instruction and fun. Four pools range in depth to accommodate swimmers for all skill levels. Every pool is heated to 85° - 90° to provide the ultimate comfortable learning environment.

Pool staff are certified Starguard Lifeguards. Pool supervisors evaluate campers on a daily basis. All staff receive training to learn the most successful ways to instruct children. Campers are placed into groups according to their abilities, with a camper to counselor ratio of approximately 3-4 campers per instructor.

Banner focuses on safety and breaks down each swim level in order to provide the best possible framework for each camper's success. When your camper passes one of the thirteen swim levels, he or she will receive a button and a level card when appropriate. A postcard will be mailed home to inform parents of this achievement.

WHAT SHOULD MY CHILD BRING TO CAMP EACH DAY?

Campers should wear a Banner t-shirt and gym shoes every day. We encourage campers to apply sunscreen in the morning and sunscreen will be



reapplied after swimming. Pack a backpack with a swimsuit, pool shoes, a face covering, and extra sunscreen. Camp will provide a swim towel or one can be brought from home. Please label all items and leave all valuables and electronics at home.

WHAT IF MY CAMPER WILL BE ABSENT FROM CAMP?

Please call the camp office right away. If no one is available, please leave a message. We will contact your camper's bus driver.

WHAT IS THE LATEST TIME I CAN PICK UP MY CAMPER FROM CAMP?

Campers can be picked up by 3:00 pm at the latest. If you would like to pick up your child, please notify the camp office by sending a bus note by 1:00 pm the day prior to the change.

CAN MY CAMPER RIDE ANOTHER BUS HOME?

No, campers will not be able to ride any bus other than their assigned bus.

DOES MY CAMPER'S SACK LUNCH GET REFRIGERATED?

Yes! Sack lunches are separated by group and stored in the walk-in refrigerator each day. Campers who bring their lunches must bring them in single-use containers that will be thrown out after lunch.

WHAT DOES BANNER DO IF IT RAINS?

Banner has sufficient space and programming options to provide an excellent camp day even in inclement weather.

WHAT HAPPENS IF MY CAMPER LEAVES SOMETHING AT CAMP?

Please notify us immediately if you are missing any items and will do our best to get that item returned home. Please label all belongings.

MY CHILD IS WORRIED ABOUT SWIM LESSONS THIS SUMMER. WHAT SHOULD I DO?

Banner wants your camper to have every possible success. Please inform us of any apprehensions or negative experiences your camper has had with water so that we can best meet his or her needs.

CAN MY CHILD WEAR GOGGLES IN THE POOL?

Yes. Campers may bring their own goggles to wear in the pool. Please be sure to label them with your camper's name. Banner does not provide goggles due to risk of eye infections.

CAN MY CHILD WEAR EARPLUGS IN THE POOL?

Yes. Send earplugs and a small storage case labeled with the camper's name and bench number with your camper. Banner provides storage for earplugs throughout the summer so your child does not need to worry about losing or misplacing his or her earplugs.

MY CHILD WON'T BE SWIMMING TODAY. WHO DO I NOTIFY?

Send a note to the office on your Camp Notes pad.

HOW IS THE SWIM PROGRAM AFFECTED BY INCLEMENT WEATHER?

If it is raining or if the weather is cool, campers will take part in alternate activities during their scheduled swim time. If it is extremely hot, campers will have a double swim consisting of one instructional swim in the morning and one recreational swim in the afternoon.

WHEN CAN I VISIT MY CAMPER AT CAMP?

Because one of our key principles is minimizing exposure at camp, we will not be allowing visitors at camp this summer. We will miss seeing the parents at Visitor Days and Interactive Nights. We are always available to connect by phone or email and will continue to share pictures via online photo albums for you to see your camper in action.

SHOULD I TIP OR GIVE A GIFT TO THE STAFF?

Tipping or giving a gift to the staff that work with your child(ren) is optional. Many parents like to do so at the completion of camp, which is very much appreciated by the staff.









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