



Resident Camp Welcome Packet

Summer 2019

Welcome to Camp Wright!

We are so excited you have chosen to become part of our Camp Wright family! We understand that this is a big decision, and we want your child to have a great time and for you to know that they will be taken care of by our outstanding staff.

At Camp Wright your child will experience full days and nights of games, swimming, arts and crafts, sports, boating, and opportunities to make new friends. Our camp is designed to keep campers engaged and moving throughout the day in our beautiful outdoor setting on the Chesapeake Bay. Camp Wright takes the time to hire quality staff members to care for your child. These staff members have a passion for being positive role models for children and many return year after year. We select our staff through a comprehensive application and interview process and each staff member completes a week-long training that emphasizes the importance of safety, child development, and having fun.

This Welcome Packet is a guideline to help you prepare to send your child to Camp Wright this summer. Please look through the information and don't hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns. We are looking forward to helping your child have the best summer ever!

Sincerely,

Julia Connelly Zahn, Director & Kaitlin Horvath, Associate Director



New Camper Information

Tours

Families are welcome to take a tour of camp before the summer starts. Give us a call at 410-643-4171 to set up a time that our staff are available to walk you through our scenic grounds. We also have an Open House in May where we provide tours, give you a chance to meet our staff, and answer any questions you may have.

Lingo

Here is a guide to some key terms used during a Camp Wright summer:

Murphies– this is the nickname for our bath house and restroom facilities

Blue/White Day– each camper is assigned to either the blue or white team and halfway through the week we have a day full of friendly competitions ending with an outdoor BBQ!

Clary Hall– the name of our largest indoor meeting space where we start and end our days

Canteen– our mid-afternoon snack eaten outside on the bulkhead over looking the Bay Bridge.

Triple Threat - sunscreen, bug spray, and a full water bottle. You should use your triple threat at all times while at camp to keep you happy and healthy.

Seabear - half mermaid, half bear, lives in the bay and has been known to attack campers who don't use their triple threat!

Camp Wright's Christian Formation Programs

Camp Wright is a ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Easton. Each morning we start our day with **Devotion** where our counselors sing songs and tell stories about their faith. All campers attend a 45 minute block of **Serendipity** where they hear stories, play games, participate in skits, and make crafts that follow our summer theme and encourage spiritual development.

A Typical Day at Camp Wright

7:15	Wake-up
7:30	Flag Raising/Cabin Clean-up
8:15	Breakfast
9:00	Devotion
9:15	Activity Blocks 1-4
12:30	Lunch
1:30	Rest Hour
2:30	Activity Block 5
3:15	Canteen
3:45	Activity Blocks 6 & 7
5:30	Dinner
6:30	Cabin Time
7:30	Evening Program
8:30	Camper Snack
8:45	Devotion
9:15	Bedtime for Juniors/Middlers
10:00	Bedtime for Seniors

Camp Logistics

Check-In Day

Check-in begins at 10:30 am. Parents should plan on spending at least one hour at camp to escort their campers through Check-In, health screening and settling in. Our Registrar will be located at the Check-In line under the white tent to collect any outstanding paperwork or balances on your account. We are unable to accept campers with incomplete paperwork and/or outstanding balances.

Check-Out Day

Camp families are invited to a closing Episcopal Eucharist service at 9am on Check Out day. Check out will begin immediately following this service and will run until 11am.

Packing List

Our Resident Camp Packing list can be found in this Welcome Packet, on your CampMinder forms page, and on our website.

Lost and Found

Any items that are found at Camp Wright will be placed in the Lost & Found bin and displayed on Check-Out Day. If you are missing a specific item that has not shown up in the Lost & Found please inform the Associate Director or Registrar and we will do our best to locate it.

Cabins/Bunks

Campers will live in one of our 19 rustic wooden cabins. Campers will share their cabin with eight to ten other campers and two counselors. There is no running water or electricity in the cabins so campers bring a flashlight! Campers will use a common bathhouse located at the center of camp.

Summer 2019 Sessions

June 22-28	Traditional Session 1/Senior High Leadership
June 22-24	Mini Camp 1
June 26-28	Mini Camp 2
July 1-7	Traditional Session 2
July 1-3	Mini Camp 3
July 5-7	Mini Camp 4
July 9-15	Traditional Session 3
July 9-11	Mini Camp 5
July 13-15	Mini Camp 6
July 18- 24	Traditional Session 4
July 27-Aug 2	Christmas Session/Adventure Camp/STEM Camp
Aug 4-10	Traditional Session 5
Aug 12-16	Senior Camp/Nature Camp

Medical Information

Illness and Emergency Procedures

If a camper becomes ill during a camp day and is unable to participate in activities, the parent/guardian will be notified. If a camper is hurt, a member of staff or an authorized person will administer immediate first aid. All program staff members are certified by the American Red Cross to administer First Aid and CPR/AED.

If a situation should require immediate medical attention, the Health Care staff or a member of the admin staff will attempt to contact and inform the parent/guardian as soon as possible. In the event that the parent/guardian cannot be reached, the emergency contact person(s) will be called. The Health Care staff or delegate will call the designated physician and/or local emergency unit for treatment and/or transportation to a hospital or Urgent Care facility. Two staff members will accompany the camper to the medical facility and stay until the camper has been treated. In some cases the camper will be advised not to return to camp. At that time, the parent/guardian will be asked to come and sign the camper out of the facility and camp and into his/her custody.

Medication Information

Our staff can **ONLY** administer medicine to a camper with the following:

- Completed and signed Medical Forms (including copy of insurance card)
- **A written and dated order** from your physician for ALL over-the-counter medicine and prescriptions.
- All prescription medication must be kept in the original pharmacy container in which it was received. The container should include the doctor's name, name of medication, procedures for use, and the child's name.
- All medication must be checked in with the Health Care staff on Check-In Day. This includes over the counter medicines. Camp Wright has standing orders for many common medications such as Tylenol, Motrin and Sudafed. If these medications are not a part of your child's daily routine, you do not need to send them to camp.

A list of stock medications can be found on the Health History Form in your CampMinder parent portal.

Information on behavior or emotional health needs or other physical or mental health concerns must be addressed on the medical forms. This allows us to help make camp a successful experience for your child. Please use the space in the online Health History Form or a separate page to provide information that will allow us to best care for your camper. Information will be treated confidentially and shared with program staff as needed to help them carry out their responsibilities at camp.

Wellness Center

We provide 24/7 care to our campers in the Wellness Center during Resident Camp sessions. Our staff are doctors, RNs and EMTs. We have exam and sick rooms and a well stocked inventory of over the counter medication and first aid supplies. We are serviced by three EMS services, two Urgent Care facilities and one local Emergency Room.

Camper Behavior

Campers are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that is conducive to our programming, mission and goals. Behavior that is deemed dangerous, inappropriate, or unmanageable by the administrative staff is grounds for dismissal from camp. Camp Wright strives to create an environment which fosters diversity and values differences in all of its programs. We do not tolerate bullying in any form, including, but not limited to physical, emotional, verbal bullying and exclusion. Parents will be contacted as needed.

5 Camp Guidelines

1. Safety First
2. Commit to try new things and do your best
3. Respect yourself, others, and the environment
4. Be responsible for your actions
5. Have Fun!

Mission Statement

The mission of Camp Wright is the spiritual and physical development of young people through living, recreating, learning, singing and praying in an environment that promotes leadership and individual growth.

Inclement Weather

Camp will run rain or shine unless the Director and administrative staff decide to implement the Inclement Weather Plan. On days that there is inclement weather we will move our activities indoors and adjust the schedule accordingly. We will also post on our Facebook page any weather updates or schedule changes that pertain to our camp day as determined by the Director.

Mail, Care Packages, and Photos

Mail can be sent to:

Camper Name
Camp Wright
400 Camp Wright Lane
Stevensville, MD 21666

Mail can also be dropped off on the first day of camp during Check-In. We will have labeled boxes in Clary Hall for each of the days that campers receive mail. You can spread out letters and care packages throughout the week in these boxes.

CARE PACKAGES MUST BE SHOEBOX SIZE OR SMALLER!

We have limited space to store care packages for the week. Packages that are deemed too large for storage will be held until the end of the week and returned to the camper at Check-Out.

Please make sure to write the camper's **Name** and **Cabin** on each piece of mail (You will receive your camper's cabin name at Check-In).

A Note on Care Packages:

Care packages are a great way to correspond with your campers while they are at camp. Campers always look forward to receiving their mail at rest hour. Some great options for care package items are personal notes, puzzles, games and activities. Please do not include any items that contain nuts or that are processed in a plant that also processes nut products (you can check this on the back of the package under the nutritional information chart). Small individual snack or re-sealable bags are the best way to avoid critters in the cabin. We encourage campers to share their items with their fellow cabin mates if possible, so little games and treats that the whole cabin can share are a great part of receiving a care package and enjoying cabin time. Please note that care packages will be searched for nut products so that we can keep our campers with allergies safe. Some fun suggestions are: nail polish, cabin decorations, glow sticks, hair accessories, mad libs, paper airplane books, small toys, magazines, fun socks, playing cards, etc.

Photos

CampMinder, our registration system, hosts our online camper photos and allows camp families to send emails to campers during their camp session. Photos are posted several times a session and emails are distributed to campers each afternoon.

Online Community: Once you are logged in, you will see our Online Community section where you can view and purchase photos, send your camper one-way emails, read newsletters, and create guest accounts.

Photos: The Photo pages allow you to mark Favorites, view, buy and share photos, as well as view slideshows. *Click the icons below each photo to perform these actions. All of the photos you view online are available for purchase as prints, digital downloads, or gift items such as t-shirts, calendars, or mouse pads.*

Emails: When you click on the email link, the system will guide you through the process of purchasing “CampStamps” to send emails as often as you’d like throughout the session to your camper. Each email sent will use a certain number of CampStamps based on the selections you make. Standard emails without add-ons (e.g. Stationary, Smart Words & Sudoku) use 1 CampStamp. Upon purchasing CampStamps you will also be able to gift them to your guests, however they will be able to purchase their own upon logging in.

Guest Accounts: By clicking the “Guest Accounts” icon you will be able to create accounts for family members and friends to view photos and send emails. If you’d like your guest to be able to email your camper make sure to check the appropriate boxes (these will be evident upon entering the guest’s information). After creating each account your guest will receive an email similar to the one you received when first creating a password and security questions. They will be guided through the same process in order to log in securely.

NOTE: You do not need to create guest accounts for parents/guardians of the camper as that information is already stored in our system. If you’re unsure whether we have the correct information on file please contact us at 410-643-4171 or email assoiciatedirector@campwright.com.

If you need help with anything regarding your online account, click on the **HELP LINK** at the top right of the screen and browse the FAQs. If none of these answer your questions, click on the **HELP TICKETS LINK** and create a help ticket. These help tickets will be sent directly to our technology partner (for online camp applications, photos, email, etc.), and will be answered as quickly as possible.

Important Forms

In an effort to streamline the registration process we have changed the layout of our medical forms this season.

You will need to log into your CampInTouch account that you created when you registered to fill out your forms. Once you have logged in, click the “Forms and Documents” tab to view forms.

The following forms must be completed 3 weeks prior to the start of your camper’s session to complete registration:

- ◇ Health History Form (an online form filled out by parent/guardian)
- ◇ Physician’s Examination Form (must be printed and signed by Physician)**
- ◇ Immunization History**
- ◇ Copy of Insurance Card
- ◇ Release Form (for specialty camps only)

**If you have a copy of the immunizations from your doctor or a physical form for school, or sports you can upload that form instead of Camp Wright’s form to the appropriate section.

Phone: 410-643-4171

Fax: 410-643-8421

Email: registrar@campwright.com

Contact Information

If you have any questions or concerns please don’t hesitate to call or email us.

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We can’t wait to see you this summer!