

Trailside Discovery - Camper Conduct

Trailside Discovery Camp promotes a safe and education environment where campers are taught to respect the outdoors, their peers, and themselves. This Camper Contract is set in place to ensure every camper has a positive camp experience. In order to ensure the quality of this program and safety of the campers, we expect all campers to adhere to and follow social requirements. These rules have been set in place to protect every camper's freedom to learn and have fun. The following procedures will be implemented when children misbehave or break camp rules.

****As a family, please read and discuss this Camper Contract****

Respect— when asked to do or not to do something, I will follow directions the first time. I understand that this is for my safety as well as the safety of all of the other children in camp.

Responsibility –Trailside Discovery Camp is held at a public facility that is used by other members of the community during the day. It is my responsibility to remain with my group and within eyesight of my counselor at while at camp and on off-site field trips. I will ask permission to get a drink of water, go to the bathroom or join another group for an activity.

Play – I will keep my hands, feet, and other body parts to me unless I am part of an activity led by camp staff that allows it. I will avoid horseplay (e.g. piggy back rides, picking each other up, wresting, hitting, punching, kicking etc.) and I understand that there is a zero tolerance policy for bullying at Trailside.

Appropriate Language/Conversation– I will use kind words to resolve my differences and I will refrain from using obscene language or gestures. I will not discuss inappropriate topics or contribute to demeaning conversations about other campers or staff.

Caring— It is important to use and care for equipment, toys and games properly so that other campers can enjoy them, this applies to campers onsite and offsite. I will care for the property of Trailside Discovery Camp, other campers and the staff. I will not break or disfigure

What happens if this contract is violated?

If an incident occurs where a child conducts himself/herself in such a manner which jeopardizes their safety, the safety of others, or is not in accordance with the Trailside Discovery Camper Contract, the following steps will be taken.

First Violation - An appointed staff will document the incident and will review the information with the camper. The camper may be removed from an activity, until he/she is ready to return and participate properly. Parents will be notified about the incident at the end of the day.

Second Violation – Staff will document the incident and will review the information with the camper. The camper will be removed from the activity, until he/she is ready to participate properly. A parent or guardian will receive a phone call about the camper's behavior and be informed that the next step will include a suspension.

Third Violation - Staff will document the incident and will review the information with the camper. A parent or guardian will be contacted and asked to pick up the child from camp. The camper will be suspended for the remainder of the program (no refunds will be issued).

Fourth Violation - If your camper has reached a 3rd violation during a season if they return after a suspension they will be on probation, if their behavior has not improved then they will not be allowed to return for the remainder of the camp season (no refunds will be issued).

The Trailside Discoveries Administrative staff reserves the right to bypass one or more disciplinary steps if a camper is deemed unsafe to themselves, other campers or the staff.

We have read and agree to the above Camper Contract outlined in these guidelines:

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Camper's Signature

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Parent Signature