

KINGSTON'S CAMP CAMPER EXPECTATIONS AND PROGRAM INFO

KINGSTON'S CAMP MISSION:

To provide children the opportunity to play, grow their skills, enjoy their summer, connect with nature and each other within an all outdoor day camp environment



PROGRAM GOALS AND OUTCOMES:

Children learn best through **play**. Kingston's Camp provides a safe and supportive environment for children to play and promote their skill development including:

- **Social Skills** - Being part of a group, forming and maintaining friendships
- **Physical Skills** - Learning specific skills such as swimming, boating, and archery along with activities such as field games, arts & crafts and building projects
- **Play skills** - Fostering creativity, cooperation, communication during structured and unstructured play activities
- **Recreation and Leisure** - We want our campers to enjoy their summer. Being an all outdoor camp they will likely come home, dirty and tired from the activities of the day!
- **Regard for Nature and Our Environment** - Learning and respecting our outdoor environment and practicing ways to be a good environmental steward
- **Self-Expression and Acceptance** - We want campers to feel comfortable with being who they are while also promoting acceptance of others within our camp community
- **Leadership Skills and Community** - Kingston's Camp is a supportive community where children of all ages can display their strengths. Many Kingston's campers work their way up through our program to become leaders within our program



RULES TO PROMOTE SAFETY AND WELL BEING

Our goal is to create an environment that fosters community, connection and a space where our all participants can feel emotionally and physically safe. If there is any employee, parent/guardian, or camper that is unable to adhere to the following will be dismissed at the discretion of the Camp Director.

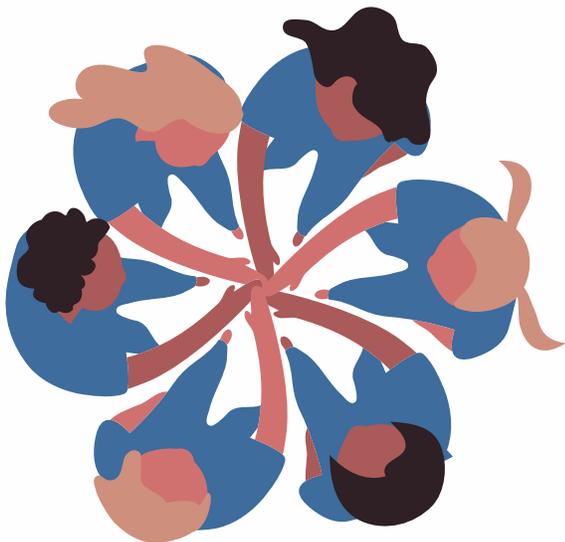
The following are behaviors that would result in dismissal from our program:

- Putting yourself or others in a physically unsafe situation.
- Becoming emotionally unsafe towards others including teasing, spreading untrue statements, purposefully excluding, use of unsafe, discriminating, and/or violent language.
- Not staying with designated staff, or adhering to safety guidelines outlined by staff members.
- Hiding, destroying, or taking the property of others.
- Brings illegal or dangerous items to camp.
- Encouraging another child to break the rules.
- Any other behaviors that are at the Director's discretion that are deemed unsafe to the camp community.

INCLUSION IN THE CAMP COMMUNITY

Kingston's Camp recognizes that summer camps and outdoor spaces have not historically been inclusive spaces for everyone. We also recognize how important the experiences and community of summer camp can be for growing and developing minds. Kingston's Camp accepts children from all backgrounds into our program including those from different races, religions, and members of the LGBTQIA+ community. We also strive to be inclusive to children with varying abilities and will work with families to see if we can provide reasonable accommodations for safe participation within our program.

We have introduced a pay what you can three tiered tuition program offered to all to help make our camp program more affordable. Additionally financial aid options are available, please contact info@kingstonscamp.com for details.



WORKING TOGETHER, TOGETHER

We strive to help children to learn the fundamentals of being together in a group.

These skills include: how to manage emotions, how to get along with others during group activities, how to share, how to make and keep friends, how to respond appropriately when angry or upset, how to accept responsibility.

We also understand that learning is a lifelong endeavor, so we are willing to work with children to help them to develop these skills. This includes working on how to best communicate their feelings, how to problem solve, and more adaptive strategies to get their needs met in times of upset.

SOCIAL MEDIA AND DEVICES

Kingston's Camp does not permit use of electronic devices including cell phones throughout the camp day. This is because we value our camp being a screen free environment, along with ensuring the protection of the campers who attend our program.

Our staff are advised to keep their social media accounts private, to not share access to their content with campers, and are instructed not to 'follow/friend' campers. If there is knowledge of a situation where a staff member is connecting with a camper via social media, please contact the Director to further pursue this matter.

Pictures taken at Kingston's Camp are only to be used for marketing purposes including the website, or the Kingston's Camp social media accounts.

If you need to contact your child during the day please contact us by phone at (401) 783-8620 and we would be happy to connect you.



RESPECT AT CAMP

We expect respectful communication between all members of our Kingston's Camp community including parents/guardians, staff, and campers.

Kingston's Camp is a non-sexual atmosphere. Sexual remarks, jokes, physical contact, graphic pictures, messages, or comments about a person's physical appearance initiated by members of our camp community will not be tolerated.