

Ensuring a Smooth Arrival and Departure Experience at Pearson International Airport (YYZ)

At Camp Chikopi, we're dedicated to making your son's camp experience exceptional from the moment he arrives until the day he departs. To assist you in planning your son's travel, here's what you should know before booking his flight:

Arrival Day:

Campers' Arrival: Parents and guardians are kindly requested to book their child's flight to arrive at Pearson International Airport (YYZ) on the session's start date, between 10 am and 1 pm. We do make exceptions for campers with limited arrival options, please seek pre-approval from the camp office before you book a flight.

We Have Representatives: The immigration, customs, and baggage claim process will take approximately one hour. Camp Chikopi will have a dedicated representative meet your child at Pearson International Airport (YYZ) once he exits the baggage claim area. Our representative will guide him to the waiting spot in the terminal or the hotel across from the airport, where he will join other campers who have arrived. Rest assured that your son will be supervised throughout the waiting period.

Unaccompanied Minors: If you booked and paid for the airline unaccompanied minor special service. Please provide the airline with the following name and address: Colette Duenkel, 2132 NE 17th Terrace, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33305. 954-566-8235. Our camp representative will meet your son and the airline staff member in the arrival terminal. Your son will then join the other campers at the terminal/hotel. For more information about unaccompanied minor service options, please contact your airline.

We Travel to Camp Together: Once all campers have arrived, our vehicle will transport staff and campers on a scenic journey lasting approximately three and a half hours to Camp Chikopi. From there, your son will embark on his best summer ever.

Departure Day:

Campers with booked transport to Toronto will take the 9 am camp vehicle, arriving at Pearson International Airport at 12:30 pm. Flights must be scheduled for departure after 3 pm and before 6 pm. We do make exceptions for campers with limited departure options, please seek pre-approval from the camp office before you book a flight. Our representatives will assist each camper with checking in their luggage and guide them through the airport processes for their journey home. Camp staff remain at the airport until the last flight has taken off. Please ensure your camper has their booking reference number, has paid for baggage or travel fees, or has a credit card to cover these expenses, and we will take care of the rest.

Unaccompanied Minors: Did you book and pay for the airline unaccompanied minor special service? If yes, please provide Camp Chikopi with the FULL name, address and telephone number of the person who will meet your son when he arrives home. We are required to complete the forms at the airport during check in.

Pearson International Airport Policy: Please note that all baggage and travel fees at Pearson International Airport must be paid by credit/debit card, as cash is not accepted for travel fees.

Understanding Flight Delays: Airline travel sometimes includes delays, and we want to reassure you that we will not leave without your son if his flight arrives late. We will stay with him if his flight departure is delayed. During such times, the wait at the airport may be extended, so we recommend sending your son with cash or a debit card so he can purchase snacks at the airport.

Important Note: Camp Chikopi is unable to meet arriving or departing flights that have not received prior approval.

We are committed to making your son's journey to and from Camp Chikopi as seamless and stress-free as possible. Our top priority is your child's safety and comfort throughout the travel process. If you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to reach out to the camp office. We're here to make the travel experience enjoyable for both you and your son.