



CAMP CHIKOPI

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Dear Camp Chikopi Parents,

We are very pleased to welcome your son to Camp Chikopi this summer. Chikopi has been on the shores of Ahmic Lake since 1920. Because your son enjoys sports and being outdoors, we know he will have a wonderful adventure with us this summer.

Camp Chikopi is very diverse and inclusive. Your son will have the unique opportunity to spend time this summer with a mixture of many nationalities, languages and cultures; Australia, Canada, China, Egypt, England, France, Hong Kong, Germany, India, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Russia, Scotland, Turkey, USA and Venezuela.

Included with this information package are the camp forms, please complete and return the forms no later than three weeks before your son's arrival, this will enable us to have a better knowledge of your son and his needs. Please fax, email or post the forms to us, we will email you to confirm receipt. If there is a balance due on your account it is due by the date shown at the bottom of your invoice, thank you.

We make a special trip to Niagara Falls, the date and cost is on the enrollment form. The trip will also provide an opportunity to visit a large shopping mall. Please send cash spending money with your son, place it in a sealed envelope, and write his name and Niagara trip on the envelope. The envelope is to be handed in to the office; it will be stored in the safe until the morning of the trip. If you would like your son to attend please notify us in writing, the seats are issued on a first come first seated system.

The staff at Camp Chikopi is looking forward to meeting your son, to make friends and participate together in all the activities. We look forward to his arrival at the airport where we will meet him and take him safely to Camp Chikopi, or on campus where we will be happy to provide you with a tour of Chikopi and settle your son in to his cabin. With 98 years of experience you know we will take good care of your son, we will have a great summer together and we know he will enjoy his adventure at Chikopi.

Sincerely,

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CAMP FORMS: you will receive an email confirmation when we receive your camp forms.

These four forms must be completed, signed and returned to the office three weeks before the camper arrives. Please email in pdf format.

Two Optional Forms:

- Enrollment Form
- Travel Information
- Objectives
- Terms & Conditions
- Health Form
- Swim Questionnaire

CAMP CONTACT NUMBERS AND ADDRESS:

Effective June 14th. Camp's office will be at its summer location. This is also the address to send camper mail:

- (Camper's Name), Camp Chikopi, 373 Chikopi Road, Magnetawan, Ontario, Canada, P0A 1P0.
- Office: (705) 387-3811 Fax: (705) 387-4747

MEDICAL CARE:

Chikopi has an on-site infirmary; we have access to an on-call doctor 24/7. Modern hospitals are available 35 and 45 minutes away in Parry Sound and Huntsville. There is a medical inspection of all campers upon arrival at Chikopi. We have enclosed a medical history form for our reference. **You must return the completed vaccination record with the health form.** Because camp programs have the potential for communicable diseases, we recommend that program participants are appropriately immunized for, at minimum, the following diseases: tetanus, mumps, measles, rubella, polio, pertussis (whooping cough), and diphtheria. This being said, we recognize that some individuals may not be fully immunized for reasons that are biophysical (allergic to a serum component) or of personal choice (faith belief). This form is intended to capture information about individuals who are not fully immunized. If your child is on medication please provide a doctor's note with directions and quantities to be administered. **If your child is anaphylactic he must bring at least three Epipens with him.** Each child is covered by a group accident, sickness, hospital, doctor, and medicine insurance policy. This insurance is your guarantee of prompt attention, even if you have other hospitalization coverage. The camp health insurance policy covers 80% of any medical bill the remaining 20% will be billed to the parents' credit card, accompanied by a receipt for you to claim on your personal family insurance policy. Dental, unless caused by an accident at camp, is not covered by the camp policy. Any dental requirements will be billed directly to the parents' credit card. All medications must be in their original containers and turned in to the camp nurse/director for safekeeping on arrival at camp. It is important that our medical personnel and our staff are aware of all medical/dietary needs or conditions your son may have. If your sons medical condition should change after you have submitted the health form please notify us by email and submit a new updated form.

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HOMESICKNESS:

Many parents and first-time campers worry about the very real separation of adult and child; this is called *separation anxiety* (homesickness). The problem is that it's most often seen as a problem—and it's not! It's a blessing that tells us, the camp directors, that this child has a healthy, normal, loving bond with his parents/guardians and that camp has slightly disrupted the bond.

By day three, virtually all campers are settled into the routine; a few need extra time, sometimes another day or two, to process their feelings, but we help them through it. I field calls from parents every day, I'm honest with parents about their son's progress. With the homesick camper, we talk honestly to him about his feelings, what they miss specifically, why they came to camp and how they can make their camp experience a success.

Over the years, so many campers, before climbing back on that bus after their summer at Chikopi, have shook my hand, thanked me and, of course, the camp staff because we had faith in them and saw them through a difficult situation. We allowed them to succeed!

PHONECALLS TO CAMPERS: Phone (705) 387-0470. Breakfast: 8.30am-9.15am, Lunch: 12.40pm-1.20pm, Dinner: 6.00pm-6.45pm.

We require that you wait one week before calling your son. This allows everyone time to settle into camp, and overcome any homesickness that may have occurred. After one week, campers are permitted to receive **one** phone call a week. (Campers from separated homes are permitted two calls, one from each parent). There is **ONE** phone in the dining hall for campers to receive calls. Please be patient, there are many families trying to contact their son and there is no one in the dining hall before or after meals to answer the phone. If there is no answer during a meal we were not in the dining hall, we may be having a BBQ, or off camp having a meal at another location. Parents, family, and friends can call campers at any meal during their campers' designated calling day: Cabin 3 – Thursday, Cabin 5 – Friday, Cabin 6 – Saturday, Cabin 7 – Monday, Cabin 8 – Tuesday, Bob Inns - Tuesday. If you were unable to reach your son on his designated calling day, please call again the next day. Parents are welcome to call the office if they are concerned about their child's wellbeing.

LETTERS HOME, EMAIL, & CARE PACKAGES:

1. Chikopi is registered with www.bunk1.com, you may send your son a one-way email via their service, a \$1 fee will be charged to his camp tuck shop account. Further details are included in this information package.
2. Campers do not have access to the internet **please do not send camper emails to the office email account.**
3. Your child is **required** to write a hand written letter **every** Sunday, there are consequences awarded to any CIT or camper who omits to write his letter. Canadian Postage stamps, paper and envelopes are available for purchase at the camp store. We know that some letters will not reach home until long after the camper has arrived home. Each summer multiple campers arrive without knowing their home address or how to address and stamp an envelope, please teach your son this valuable information.
 - Please write your full mailing address on a card and give it to your son or
 - Teach him how to address an envelope or
 - Pre address them for him.

Everyone loves to receive care packages, below is Chikopi policy:

- Care packages are opened by the camper after mail call.
- Anything other than appropriate snacks, games, reading material or clothing will be confiscated,
- Confiscated items will not be returned.
- Homemade food products or gum are removed and destroyed.

Chikopi is a Recognized Anaphylactic Camp; we have a very strict nut free policy.

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CELL PHONES and any wireless/Wi-Fi/satellite/cellular tech device.

We prefer all Cell phone, wireless/Wi-Fi/satellite devices be left at home. Any device that previously connected to, does connect to or has the capacity to connect in the future to a Wi-Fi/satellite/cellular system must be handed into the office on arrival, it will be stored in the safe. Any member of camp found in possession of a Wi-Fi/cellular/satellite device will be subject to expulsion; this will be done at the discretion of the directors.

Nano, DS, GAMEBOYS, Cameras etc. etc. etc.

All such devices are the sole responsibility of the camper. Chikopi provides a safe in the office to store these items. They are permitted to be used in the cabin during rest hour or before bed. Speakers are not permitted. Headphones must be worn. Any abuse of the policy will result in confiscation of the item; it will be placed in the safe until departure from camp. Please make sure your name is printed clearly on all games, music and equipment. There are many opportunities to take wonderful, memorable photos at camp and on canoe trips, **BUT** taking photos in the cabin is not permitted. Chikopi reserves the right to review any camera/digital camera device owned by a member of Chikopi.

CLOTHING LIST:

We have enclosed a suggested clothing list for your son. Please note the ever-important phrase on the bottom; ***“Don’t buy new if something old will do.”*** It is extremely important that your child has his name on every possession he brings to camp. This includes all clothing, socks, underwear, shoes, hats, games, books, bags, toiletries, towels, bedding, etc. Please use your son’s first and last name; there is often more than one camper with the same initials. A Sharpie permanent marker works best. All personal belongings left at camp are donated to a local charity.

STORAGE OF CLOTHING IN THE CABIN:

Storage Trunks are recommended for storage of clothing. They allow for better folding and neater organization of clothing than suitcases. Such “trunks” may be available at any Home Depot, Target, Wal-Mart or similar retail store. Height of Trunk should be no more than 19 inches to fit under the bunks.

ENVIRONMENT:

We ask that only biodegradable toiletries be used and that campers refrain from using aerosol cans. This helps to maintain the cleanliness and beauty of the nature around us. Limited toiletries are available in the camp store.

VISITS:

You are more than welcome to visit any time after three weeks, except Wednesday’s. For the safety of everyone at Chikopi visitors are required to “schedule” their visit at least two weeks prior to arrival. Visiting hour is 1:30 – 2:30pm on the MainHouse porch. Chikopi is situated on farm land, there are no paved roads. We do have ramps available for wheelchair access, just ask and we will be happy to situate them for your needs. Service animals are welcome at Chikopi, sorry, no pets allowed on camp, please leave them at home where they will be better accommodated.

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PAYMENT:

Payment in full is required by date shown on your invoice, or according to terms established between you and the camp. Please see the Terms and Conditions page for further payment information.

TRAVEL – more detailed travel instructions are on the accompanied Travel Form

Families have multiple options for arrival and departure at camp. Families are welcome to mix and match travel options to meet their needs.

Arrival options:

- Camper can be met at Pearson International Airport, please see travel form for preferred times of arrival.
- Camper can be met at Four Points by Sheraton hotel near the airport, please see travel form for address and time of arrival.
- Camper can be driven directly to Chikopi, please see travel form for time of arrival.

Departure options:

- Camper can be taken to Pearson International Airport and checked-in to his flight, please see travel form for preferred times of flight departure.
- Camper can be met at Four Points by Sheraton hotel near the airport, please see travel form for address and time of arrival.
- Camper can be picked up directly at Chikopi, please see travel form for time of departure.

OBJECTIVE SHEET AND SWIM QUESTIONNAIRE

These are optional forms. Every member of Chikopi will receive a swim test on arrival, the Swimming Questionnaire is for competitive club swimmers, or those who wish to join the Chikopi competitive program. It is to give our coaches a basic idea of your son's skills, his coach does not need to complete the form.

WATERCRAFT SAFETY RULES:

During the summer, every member of camp receives instructions on the safety procedures that must be observed while using any of the Camp Chikopi or Camp Ak-O-Mak water crafts. Please review these safety rules and instructions with your child. There are consequences if a camper does not practice good safety procedures. You and your child are required to sign the "Terms and Conditions" form that you have read and understood these safety rules prior to arriving at Chikopi.

Canoe, Kayak, Sailboat, Motorboat, Wind-surfer, Knee-surfer, Hobie-cat, Competitive Canoes:

1. Lifejacket must be worn and correctly fastened at all times when using a water craft.
2. Water shoes, (not flip flops), must be worn at all times when using a water craft.
3. A whistle must be securely attached to your life jacket.

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CAMP HEALTH AND SAFETY RULES:

- Campers and CIT's must have a Counselor, Junior Counselor or staff member with them to go to the following areas: 1st Beach, 2nd Beach, 3rd Beach, Matty Mann Point, Main Dock, Pool Dock, The Point, The Barn, MainHouse, PlayHouse, Sauna, Boat House 1 & 2, Golf Course, A Frames, Infirmary, Archery Range, Metal Storage Container, Library & Game Room, and The Trail.
- Senior staff members are the only persons permitted to enter – Guest House, Staff House, Laundry, Clean Laundry, Dry Storage, Tool Shed 1 & 2, Fuel Shed, Paint Shed, Tripping room, and Garage.
- The kitchen bathroom is for use by the Chikopi kitchen staff and visitors only.
- Wash your hands with soap and water at the MainHouse sinks before entering the dining hall.
- MainHouse - Proper attire is required, dry shirt, shorts, & shoes, hats off.
- Everyone remains standing before each meal until after the "Toast", "Chant" or "Grace".
- The MainHouse bell is the dining bell and the emergency bell, never ring it for a dare or prank.
- MainHouse is closed at 7pm.
- Walking barefoot around camp or on fields may result in a foot injury, wear shoes around camp at all times.
- Camper cabins will be chaperoned by at least one counselor at all times.
- Campers should bring all necessary equipment with them to classes and activities.
- If a camper needs to return to his cabin between activities he must be accompanied.
- Campers and CIT's visiting a friend/brother at another cabin must visit on their porch.
- The following activities require a counselor or staff member to supervise use – Archery, Canoeing, Swimming, Windsurfing, Sailing, Kayaking, Mountain Bike, Lacrosse, Barn, Weight Room, Sauna, or Golf.
- Everyone under 18 must have a counselor or staff member as their life guard before entering the water.
- The break waters are floating docks, please do not walk on, climb on or jump from them.
- Water shoes and life jacket (whistle attached) must be worn correctly during the use of water craft owned by Camp Chikopi/Camp Ak-o-Mak and is to be operated by you in the correct manner.
- Cycling must be supervised at all times and is only permitted during a scheduled class/activity. Helmets and appropriate shoes must be worn correctly at all times.
- Alcohol, cigarettes, vapes, nuts, gum, weapons, toy imitation weapons are not permitted on camp.
- Cellular/Wi-Fi/satellite devices are not permitted to be in your possession. If you want to listen to music you must bring a device that did not, does not and will not access cellular and/or Wi-Fi networks. Abuse of this policy may result in your expulsion.
- No photos/videos inside the sauna, sleeping, or washroom cabins.
- No one is permitted to take inappropriate or offensive photos or videos of any member of Chikopi/Akomak.
- Electronic games or music devices are for personal use only in the cabin. Headphones must be worn. Device will be confiscated if it is brought out of the cabin.

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CHIKOPI CODE OF CONDUCT:

At Chikopi, I will

- Accept I am part of Chikopi. I will respect Mother Earth, my fellow campers, the staff and persons on the lakes I come in contact with.
- Be polite to members of the public whom I come in contact with, at shops, day trips, and canoe trips.
- Be where I am supposed to be, never enter the water, or leave a class unless I have proper permission.
- Cooperate with all the camp staff, follow instructions, including rules and directions set out by each staff member.
- Follow a healthy routine, sunscreen, protective clothing, hat, sunglasses, drink water to stay hydrated, stay in the shade when possible.
- Keep my cabin and personal belongings clean and tidy; put all litter in the garbage cans provided.
- Practice good hygiene, bathe, brush my teeth, and change my clothes daily.
- Tell someone if I feel unwell or unsafe.
- Treat everyone the way I want to be treated.
- Wear an approved life jacket at all times when in a water craft.
- Wear a bike helmet at all times when on a bicycle.

At Chikopi I will not

- Bully, or pick on other campers or staff.
- Buy, consume, provide, or sell a tobacco product, vape product, alcohol or any illegal substance while a member of Camp Chikopi.
- Deliberately hurt fellow campers feelings, by name calling or pulling pranks which could cause offence or retaliation that may lead to injury or property damage.
- Enter a cabin not my own.
- Leave the camp property at any time unless instructed to do so.
- Trespass, steal, vandalize or destroy property.
- Use foul or abusive language including sexual innuendo.

I accept and understand that if I am having difficulty following this code of conduct the following could happen:

- I may be called to have a meeting with my counselor, senior staff member or one of the camp directors.
- A staff member may call my parents to discuss my behaviour.
- I may be required to perform an appropriate consequence decided on by the staff. Example, a letter of apology.
- If my behaviour is addressed but does not improve, I may be forced to go home early.
- If my behaviour is hurtful to others, myself or the camp property, I may be forced to go home early.

If you have any questions about the code of conduct please contact a camp director.

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Camp Chikopi (571609) Privacy Policy

Camp Chikopi is committed to maintaining the confidence and trust of its campers and families. Following is the privacy policy that is maintained by Camp Chikopi to protect personal information which is provided to Chikopi by its families.

Basic Confidentiality Policy

Parent and Camper Personal information such as contact names, postal and e-mail addresses, telephone numbers are private and confidential. This information is stored in a secure location, is accessible only by designated Camp Chikopi staff and is used only for the following purposes:

1. Invoicing;
2. Camper/Parent Communication and Health Services;
3. Providing promotional and educational information relating to the products and services of Camp Chikopi.
4. Emergency situations as required by a doctor or hospital.
5. Government and or Legal counsel if necessary.

All information supplied is used at the discretion of the Directors. Private information is used by Camp Chikopi for internal purposes only and will be used for such until a Camp Chikopi Director is otherwise notified.

Camper: must collect fellow camper names, Instagram, snapchat, twitter, e-mail address or home telephone number for themselves if they wish to keep in contact with each other.

Counselors and staff: are not permitted to share their private contact information with anyone under the age of 18. If you son wishes to “follow” him the parent/guardian on file must request the contact information through the camp office. Your request will be forwarded to the counselor or staff member.

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