

# **SUMMER CAMP at LAKESHORE CENTER**

## **What you need to know!**

Whether this is your first summer at Lakeshore or your 60<sup>th</sup>, here's everything campers and families need to know about coming to camp this year!

### **What's Camp like?**

Camp is the best place on Earth! You'll get to spend all of your time hanging out with a cool counselor and an awesome cabin group while having a BLAST with fun games and great activities! Your cabin will be super comfy with air conditioning, private bath and changing rooms, and electricity! A regular day at camp looks like this: start with breakfast at 8, then energizers and worship, Bible study, activity blocks, lunch, rest time, more activities, snacks, swim time, cabin time, dinner, an evening event (like a huge game, campfire, or special event), vespers, cabin time, then bed around 9:30 (with some late-night activities for some campers).

This summer, our theme is Branching Out! So we'll try all kinds of new things and learn about making new connections with each other and with God!

### **What do I need to bring?**

When you get to camp all you'll need to have with you is a good attitude, all of your paperwork (be sure to have your health form!), and everything on the packing list.

You can find a packing list attached to your confirmation email after registering for camp, on the [lakeshorecenteratokoboji.org](http://lakeshorecenteratokoboji.org) website, or by contacting the Lakeshore office (712-337-3313). Make sure to leave everything on the "do not pack" side at home!

Also, be sure to bring loose change for our summer mission project!

### **How does check-in work?**

For most programs, try to show up no earlier than 3PM on Sunday. (We won't know what to do with you before then!) Please park in the gravel lot next to the gazebo. Once you're here you can form a line in the grassy area in front of the Chapel (we call it "The Circle") to wait for check-in to start at 3:30. You can leave your bags in the car or put them off to the side so you don't have to carry them the whole time.

At the check-in table, we'll ask the camper's name, have parents fill in the authorized pick-up form, collect canteen money (to save time, you can make this payment online or you can download our canteen form from the confirmation email or from our website), and settle up all the finances and paperwork. If you have any payments to make, please bring them in the form of personal check or cash. Then, we'll give your camper their nametag and tell you their cabin. Campers and families can also make a contribution to our summer mission, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, at the check-in table, so bring loose change!

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Before you head to the cabin, stop in and chat with our health team to drop off health forms (which you can download from [lakeshorecenteratokoboji.org](http://lakeshorecenteratokoboji.org) or the confirmation email) and all medications (prescriptions, over-the-counter, and supplements). Meds need to be in their original containers in a clear plastic bag with the camper's name on it. Any questions, concerns, important information, or updates to the health form should be shared with our health team at this time.

Next, you'll move into the cabin and meet your counselor! Here, campers can claim a bed, get moved in, and start meeting cabin-mates. At this point, you are free to hang out in the cabin, explore camp, go to the camp store with your family, or meet other campers and families. At 4:30, there is an opening ceremony at the Chapel where campers and parents will be welcomed and introduced to the camp staff. Campers will leave this meeting with their counselors to play games. Parents will stay in the chapel for a short informational meeting after which they will depart. Parents can expect to leave check-in by 5pm at the very latest.

### **Camp-specific check-in information:**

For Fun Day, check-in begins at 9AM on Saturday

For Camp Mission, check-in is on Saturday

For Super Duper Sleepover, check-in is on Thursday

For Grands & Family Camp, check-in is located in the Lodge

For Sheep & Shepherds, check-in at 5pm on Friday

### **How does Pick-up work?**

For most programs, check-out begins at 3:30pm on the closing day with a closing worship in the Chapel featuring a slideshow from the week, songs, and closing ceremony. Adults can park in the lot next to the gazebo. Lakeshore requests that parents stay in their cars or the chapel before closing worship and let their campers enjoy the last few moments of camp parent-free. Following worship, parents will meet with their campers' counselors to sign their camper out on the authorized pick-up form. Campers may not leave before they have been signed out by an authorized adult. The official check-out time is 4pm, and any parent who fails to pick up their camper by 4:30pm may be charged a late pick-up fee.

If you've got any questions or concerns, feel free to call us at 712-337-3313.

**We can't wait to see you here!**

