

2024 DAY CAMP INFORMATION

AN EXPERIENCE THAT YOUNG PEOPLE REMEMBER For the rest of their lives, and for all the right reasons.

WHY CAMP FLETCHER? From their first moment at Camp Fletcher, children aren't merely welcomed. They are known. By their names. By their likes and dislikes — from big things like "is afraid of the water," to seemingly small things like "loves PB&J sandwiches." They're known because we intentionally keep our groups small (much smaller, truth be told, than economically optimal). Mixed into each activity is a learning opportunity for campers — with topics ranging from environmental education, history and geography to math, science and reading. We like to call this technique "undercover learning" because kids at camp don't realize they're being taught. It's a place where academics become an experience and imagination comes to life.

ACTIVITIES: Hiking. Canoeing. Creek Stomping. Arts. Crafts. Team-Building. Outdoor Education. Field Games. Swimming. Fishing. Target Sports. Overnight Campouts & MORE!

SESSION DATES: May 28th – August 2nd *Camp Fletcher will be closed in observance of the following holidays: Memorial Day: Monday, May 27th & Independence Day: Thursday, July 4th and Friday, July 5th. Program fees will be prorated.

TIME: Monday - Friday, 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

COST: 5 - 14 years old: \$165.00 per camper, per week. 15 years old: \$100.00 per camper, per week. A one-time, \$75.00, non-refundable registration fee, per camper, is due at registration to secure your session(s).

PAYMENT POLICIES: Due to extensive cancellations, and a growing waitlist over the past few years, our payment policy has been updated. From the date you register your camper(s), a deposit of \$82.50 per camper, per registered week must be paid in full by May 13th (half of the weekly session fee). This amount will be applied to your weekly fee(s), however is not refundable if a week is cancelled.

After May 28th (first day of camp), only your remaining weekly balance, plus any General Store funds and/or Sibling Discounts, will be due. The sibling discount will be applied to your weekly total(s) after May 28th. **Payments are due no later than Monday the week prior to your campers' attendance.**

Example: If you were to register your camper for 5 weeks, the total cost would be \$825.00. Half of that amount, which equals \$412.50, will be allocated to each of the 5 weeks (\$82.50 will be applied to each week registered).

Registrations received after May 20th will be required to pay a one-time, \$75.00, non-refundable registration fee, per camper as well as, \$82.50 per registered week (half of the session fee) to secure your campers spot.

DROP OFF: No earlier than 7:00 a.m.

PICK-UP: No later than 6:00 p.m. A late fee will be applied if your campers is picked-up after this time.

LUNCH: Campers are required to bring a sack lunch daily. We provide a healthy snack each morning and campers also have the opportunity to visit the general store each afternoon to purchase snacks and drinks. We recommend a weekly allowance of \$20.00 per camper.

WHAT SHOULD MY CHILD BRING TO CAMP? A daily packing list is available on our website, but remember, at camp, kids and clothes will get dirty. Please do not send new or expensive items and label everything with your child's full name – this helps us return items if they end up in 'lost & found.' Campers are not allowed to bring any electronic devices to camp.

SWIMMING: Every camper is given a swim test to establish his/her ability. Only campers who pass the swim test are allowed to swim in the deep end of the pool. This test is administered by Red Cross Certified Lifeguards.

OUR STAFF: We hire and train the most compassionate counselors who share our sense of mission, then train them to be leaders, role models and friends. All staff members are certified in First Aid & CPR and required to complete a background check and multi panel drug screen.

HOW ARE CAMPERS DIVIDED? Campers are divided into small groups, by age.

COMMUNICATION: We will make every effort to contact parents as soon as possible in the event of an emergency, weather closure, schedule change, etc. We will communicate via Facebook, email, text and/or phone.

IS CAMP FLETCHER ACCREDITED? Camp Fletcher is accredited by the American Camping Association. This means we voluntarily invite an outside team of ACA trained visitors every 5 years to verify our compliance with more than 300 nationally recognized industry standards from staff qualifications & training, to health & safety and site & facility management. More information about ACA can be found at <u>www.acacamps.org</u>.

HAVE A QUESTION? Please contact Camp Fletcher Office Manager, Cathy Chiaramonte at 205.584.6033 or email <u>Camp.Fletcher@BridgeWaysAL.org</u>. We look forward to serving your family this summer.