

# SUMMER CAMP ORIENTATION

Summer 2022

We are so excited to welcome you and your camper to one of our three Green Lake Lutheran Ministries sites this summer! We are eager to see the mission of GLLM in action. We have created this document so that you can be informed and confident about the things we've put in place to keep campers and staff safe while at our GLLM sites. We ask that you read through it and reach out with questions. We know it's a lot of information so thank you for taking the time to read through so we can all have a great summer! More information can be found here: [gllm.org/frequently-asked-questions.html](http://gllm.org/frequently-asked-questions.html).

*GLLM Program Team*

## CAMPER ARRIVAL & CHECK-IN TIMES

Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp		
Program	Sunday Arrival & Check In	Thursday Campalooza & Pick Up
Half Blast, Andy's Gang, Trailblazers, Stargazers, Fishing Camp	2:00-4:00 p.m.	4:00 p.m. - Campalooza 6:00 p.m. - Pick Up
Half Blast	2:00-4:00 p.m.	7:00 pm TUESDAY

Green Lake Bible Camp		
Program	Sunday Arrival & Check In	Thursday Departure
Family Camp @ GLBC Chrysalis House	4:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.

Camp House		
<i>Any travel delays will be communicated to parents/guardians via text/email as updates are received.</i>		
Program	Sunday Arrival & Check In	Thursday Pick Up/Departure
Confirmation North (June 12-16) @ GLBC Chapel Parking Lot	11:30-12:15 p.m.	5:00 p.m.
High School Up North (June 19-23) @ GLBC Chapel Parking Lot	11:30-12:15 p.m.	5:00 p.m.
High School Up North @ GLBC Chapel Parking Lot	11:30-12:15 p.m.	5:00 p.m.
Family Camp North (June 26-30) @ Camp House	4:00-6:00 p.m.	N/A

## DAY OF CAMPER CHECK-IN AND REGISTRATION

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All documents that can be completed online should be completed prior to arrival, specifically **health forms, permission forms, and payments**. If any documents have not been completed ahead of time, they will be given to you at this first stop.

You may also turn in **money** for the canteen at this time. Campers typically spend between \$10-30 at the canteen during the week.

Your camper will receive a **nametag** and **cabin** assignment.

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Next, you will check in with the **Health Aide**. The Health Aide will do a general welcome of your camper, and you will be able to discuss any health concerns for the week. This is also where you will turn in and talk about any medication that will be needed for the week. Please remember that ALL medications need to be in their original containers. Please put all of your camper's medications in a quart or gallon-sized Ziplock bag, labeled with the camper's name and dosage instructions.

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Finally, we'll ask you to let us know who will be **picking up** your camper on Tuesday (Half Blast program only) or Thursday. After we have this information, your camper will be fully checked in and ready for a great week of camp. We will have an area for goodbyes, and then campers will bring their luggage to a staging area for their cabin. Your camper's counselor will take extra care to make sure they get settled in and comfortable.

## CAMPER PICK-UP

Please refer to the pick-up schedule above.

### *YOU ARE INVITED to Campapalooza!*

We are excited to invite the **entire family** out to camp for a celebration we've named Campapalooza! This event starts at **4:00 p.m.** each Thursday with activity rotations, includes dinner which starts at **4:45 p.m.** and ends with a closing worship and sendoff by **6:00 p.m.** Our staff will be prepared to begin checking families in at 4:00 p.m. by the Marble Chapel and final checkout will happen in the same place immediately following worship. Please RSVP at check in on Sunday!

We are able to accommodate those who have minor scheduling conflicts at Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp and Green Lake Bible Camp. Please contact our registrar Monday-Friday at 320-796-2181 or [camp@gllm.org](mailto:camp@gllm.org) to discuss any late arrivals, early pick-ups, or other scheduling conflicts. For last minute changes, call Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp directly at 320-354-2961.

## HEALTH CARE DURING THE CAMP WEEK

As always, the safety and care of your camper during the camp week is our top priority! We will take care of daily medication administration, care for the minor bumps and scrapes that can come up when kids are playing, and other common health situations. If any concerns come up during the week, we will communicate with you on an as needed basis. Campers will be encouraged to be honest and upfront if they are not feeling well.

In consultation with our local and state officials and in accordance with the Centers for Disease Control we have developed strategies to mitigate the risk of COVID-19 by instituting basic procedure updates to our existing plan. It is still the case that outdoor ministry inherently is lower risk based on location, activities, and stringent risk mitigation plans that are in place.

Being outdoors, social distancing when able, hand hygiene, symptom checking, and testing as needed are the cornerstones of our mitigation plan. And in addition to the above, we have a communication plan in place to share updates to campers and staff as we hear of illness in our camp community. There is not a mask mandate in place for this summer.

If a camper or staff member is showing symptoms of COVID-19, surgical masks will be available. GLLM will call parents/guardians to receive a verbal consent to test a camper for COVID-19 (nasal swab). If a camper tests positive, the camper will be sent home immediately. GLLM will do contact tracing and communicate with those in close contact and we will monitor for symptoms. It is expected that if you are contacted to pick up your child due to COVID-19 symptoms, you will make arrangements to get to camp as soon as you are able. We will err on the side of caution, and ask for your understanding as we navigate this challenging situation. We will be following the CDC guidelines for quarantine and isolation: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/quarantine-isolation.html>. We'd like to note that we may change these procedures if new data or guidance is given from public health officials.

## SPECIAL GUESTS AT CAMP

Resource staff will be able to join us at camp! If you are joining us for the camp week you can register online. If you plan to come for the day or are interested in staying overnight just one night, please call our camp registrar, Steph Holme, at least one week in advance of your plan to visit. Resource staff are encouraged to be vaccinated, if possible.

## SUMMER STAFF

All camp employees go through a thorough background check and screening process. We take your camper's safety very seriously! Summer staff are ready to be helpful and to model behavior that will be needed for a safe experience! All staff are encouraged to get their COVID-19 vaccine.

## CANTEEN AND DIME-A-TIME

Campers typically spend between \$10-30 at the canteen during the week. The canteen has a variety of snacks, treats, and non-caffeinated beverages as well as camp attire. If you'd like to put money in your camper's account, please put cash or check (written to GLLM) in a labeled envelope. We will enter it into a spreadsheet for the week so no cash is being exchanged. Remaining money will be returned to you at the end of the week in a labeled envelope. The online canteen can be found here at [gllm.org/online-canteen.html](http://gllm.org/online-canteen.html).

"Dime-a-Time" is a GLLM canteen tradition! Each year we choose a non-profit or other good cause and allow our campers to donate and raise money for it. Campers can choose to donate up to \$1 each time they visit the canteen. As incentive, counselors do crazy and fun things as the campers reach certain benchmarks. For example, we've had counselors dance the hula, receive a pie in the face, be squirted with mustard, or shave their head. In previous years, our campers have raised money for the ELCA Malaria Campaign, New London's The Link, and the ELCA's Young Adults in Global Mission Program. Stay tuned for this year's cause, and if you want to send some extra change to camp for this program, go for it!

## MAIL

Camp addresses are:

- Camper Name, Program, **Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp**, 19080 16th Street NE, New London, MN 56273
- Camper Name, Program, **Green Lake Bible Camp**, 9916 Lake Avenue S, Spicer, MN 56288
- Camper Name, Program, **Camp House**, 1411 Camp House Road, Brimson, MN 56602

## PACKING FOR CAMP

Remember to label all items!

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bible   | <input type="checkbox"/> Shampoo/Conditioner                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pillow  | <input type="checkbox"/> Soap   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping Bag or fitted twin sheet set & blanket | <input type="checkbox"/> Comb or hairbrush                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shirts, pants, shorts                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Bathroom caddy for transport/storage                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Socks   | <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight/headlamp with batteries                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Underwear                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor shoes                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Bug spray  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water shoes (especially at Green Lake)          | <input type="checkbox"/> Water bottle   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandals   | <input type="checkbox"/> Small bag or backpack to carry things                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jacket or sweatshirt                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Canteen money in a labeled envelope                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pajamas   | <input type="checkbox"/> Prescription medications in original container         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Functional swimwear                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Completed Health Form (if you did not register online) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beach towel                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Fan (optional)   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bath towel                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Book to read at night (optional)                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wash cloth                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Notebook and pen (optional)                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toothbrush                                      |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toothpaste                                      |   |

Please leave the following items at home: **Cell phone\***, iPod, game systems, knives, non-prescription medications, inappropriate clothing, food, candy, and snacks. Your child's safety and welfare are important to us. We have a zero tolerance policy for controlled substances or firearms.

\*Cell phones are allowed for diabetic monitoring. Camp House campers may bring their phone for use on the ride up and back from Camp House. GLLM staff will collect phones during the camp week and keep them secure.

