

2017

# FAQ'S FOR SUMMER CAMP



## WHAT IS FLYING HORSE FARMS?

The mission of Flying Horse Farms is to enrich the lives of children with serious illnesses and their families by providing magical, transforming fun through year-round, medically-safe and cost-free camping experiences.

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR SUMMER CAMP AT FLYING HORSE FARMS?

Flying Horse Farms summer camps serve campers age 8-15 years old who have diagnoses in cardiology, hematology, oncology, rheumatology, gastrointestinal disorders, pulmonary disorders and facial anomalies. Usually, our campers are not able to attend other camps due to their medical needs. If you have questions about whether or not your camper is eligible, call us at 419-751-7077.

## HOW MUCH DOES IT COST FOR MY CHILD TO ATTEND FLYING HORSE FARMS?

There is no cost to attend camp sessions at Flying Horse Farms. Lodging and meals are provided.

## CAN I STAY AT CAMP OR VISIT MY CHILD WHILE HE/SHE IS AT CAMP?

Flying Horse Farms is a summer camp program for children ages 8-15. We encourage campers to build friendships with other campers, therefore, parents and family members are not allowed to stay at camp, but may feel free to stay close by. Also, because not all campers have visitors, we highly discourage visits and phone calls to camp. This ensures that our campers are able to focus on having a blast.

## WILL SOMEONE CONTACT ME IF THERE IS ANYTHING MISSING FROM MY APPLICATION?

Absolutely! We'll send you a letter or e-mail with the details of your child's application status and a list of anything that is missing from your application.

## HOW WILL I KNOW WHEN MY CHILD HAS BEEN ACCEPTED FOR A SUMMER CAMP WEEK?

After our medical staff looks over the applications and approves them, we'll send you a confirmation packet via e-mail. It will include the date of your child's camp session, and there will be some forms for you to send back to us or bring with you to camp. The packet will also include a packing list, driving directions and other important information. Spring family camp confirmation packets will be delivered in March, summer camp confirmation packets in May and fall family camp confirmation packets in August.

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## DO YOU PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION?

Unfortunately, no. If you are having difficulty arranging transportation, though, we'll do our best to help you arrange other options. Our Camper and Family Liaison is the contact for transportation questions.

## WHAT TIME SHOULD WE ARRIVE ON THE FIRST DAY OF CAMP? AND WHAT TIME WILL MY CHILD DEPART?

Campers will be assigned a specific arrival time. This time, along with the pick-up time for the last day of camp, will be in the confirmation packet that you will receive before camp. If your child needs to arrive late or leave early, contact our Camper and Family Liaison to make arrangements.

## CAN SIBLINGS AND FAMILIES GO TO CAMP AT FLYING HORSE FARMS?

Flying Horse Farms loves families and offers family camps in the spring and fall, as well as a week-long summer siblings-only camp. Please contact the Camper and Family Liaison for more information or if you have any questions.

## WHERE WILL MY CHILD BE STAYING?

The camp experience wouldn't be the same without cabins! Typically, up to 10 campers will share a cabin, along with up to four counselors (in semi-private sleeping quarters). With two bathrooms (2 toilets and 2 fully accessible showers in each), heating, air conditioning, electrical outlets and bunk-style beds, our cabin accommodations are comfortable yet modest. We provide all linens, blankets and towels, too. Cabin assignments are based on age and gender.

## WHAT DOES MY CHILD NEED TO BRING TO CAMP?

Food, bedding, and linens are all provided by Flying Horse Farms. Your child should bring all clothing, toiletries, and medical supplies with them to camp. Cameras, props and costumes are also welcome!

## WE WANT CAMP TO BE A SAFE EXPERIENCE FOR EVERYONE. PLEASE FOLLOW OUR DRESS CODE:

- Always wear closed-toe shoes or open-toe shoes with a heel strap (but you can bring your flip flops for the pool and inside the cabins)
- Make sure your shorts are below your fingertips or just above your knees (at least)
- Feel free to wear tank tops, but please leave the tube tops and spaghetti straps at home
- All clothing must cover your stomach/midriff
- Keep necklines of shirts appropriate
- Please only bring one-piece bathing suits. Leave the bikinis and 2-piece suits with your tube tops and spaghetti straps
- Clothing and any visible tattoos that reference drugs/alcohol/obscenities/anything offensive are not allowed
- Avoid wearing perfume or cologne as some campers are sensitive or allergic



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## WHAT IS A TYPICAL DAY OF SUMMER CAMP LIKE?

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A TYPICAL SCHEDULE MIGHT GO SOMETHING LIKE THIS:

- 7:00 am - Rise and Shine!
- 8:30 am - Breakfast
- 10:15 am - Morning activities
- 12:30 pm - Lunch
- 1:30 pm - Rest time
- 2:30 pm - Afternoon activities
- 5:00 pm - Back to cabins to get ready for dinner
- 5:30 pm - Dinner
- 7:00 pm - Evening program
- 9:00 pm - Younger campers head back to the cabins for lights out
- 10:00 pm - Older campers head back to the cabins for lights out

## MY CHILD IS A FIRST-TIME CAMPER. WILL I BE ABLE TO GIVE THE COUNSELORS MORE INFO ABOUT MY CHILD?

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After signing in on the first day of camp, you can walk with your camper to their assigned cabin to help them get settled in and meet the counselors and volunteers who will be spending the week with your child. Feel free to ask questions and get to know the counselors and help them get to know your child as well.

## HOW DO I APPLY

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Visit our website at [www.flyinghorsefarms.org/camp/how-to-enroll/](http://www.flyinghorsefarms.org/camp/how-to-enroll/) to learn more and begin the application process.

**IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS THAT WERE NOT ANSWERED HERE, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CALL US AT 419-751-7077.**