

ATTENTION: OPEN HOUSE
Wednesday June 7, 5:30-7:00 p.m. at the Takiff
Center's Gymnasium

CAMP ADVENTURE



SUMMER 2017

Inside you will find an introduction to our camp philosophy, structure and purpose. Hopefully, it will answer your questions concerning the details of the day-to-day activities at camp. As always, we strive to provide a safe, fun, and meaningful camp experience for everyone.

Park District Office Hours

Monday – Friday

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

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NEW! Parent Orientation

PARENT ORIENTATION WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7, 5:00-5:30 P.M. AT THE TAKIFF CENTER'S COMMUNITY ROOM.

Prior to camp starting, please join us for an informative meeting about Sun Fun's summer programming. Please take a few minutes to review the enclosed parent manual. Staff will go over camp policies and procedures to help you get ready for summer 2017!

Open House

CAMP OPEN HOUSE WEDNESDAY, June 8, 5:30-7:00 P.M. AT THE TAKIFF CENTER'S GYMNASIUM.

Prior to the open house, please take a few minutes to review the enclosed Sun Fun Parent Manual. Parents and campers are invited to drop in any time between 5:30 and 7:00 p.m. to meet camp staff, pick up T-shirts and group lists. Staff will be there to greet you and answer questions. Parents who are unable to attend the open house may pick up group lists at the Takiff Center main desk beginning June 9 at 9:00 a.m.

Why a Day Camp?

Our primary objective is for the campers to have a fun, enjoyable and safe experience. We hope you look forward to the excitement and new experiences that each camp day offers.

Camp Adventure provides an opportunity for children to meet other young people and develop new friendships. It will also serve to teach the principals of sharing, consideration and cooperation that are essential in group activities. In offering a wide variety of camp activities, we hope to develop each camper's all-around abilities to teach new skills in the areas of sports, arts and crafts, cooking and nature, which can be used throughout life.

Camp Hours: 8:45 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Location: Takiff Center
999 Green Bay Road
Glencoe, IL 60022



Missing/ Leaving Camp/ or Change in Pick-up...

If your child needs to leave camp early or you have a scheduled late arrival, please send a note in advance to his/her counselor or send an email to campadventure@glencoe parkdistrict.com. **If your child has a change in pick up, parents must send an email by 12:00PM that day.** This will allow enough time to coordinate. In case of an emergency, parents may call the Director's cell phone number after 12:00pm for changes.



Morning Drop-Off & Afternoon Pick-Up...

Morning Drop-Off: Please do not send your child to camp before 8:45 a.m.

There will be NO supervision until this time. If you are dropping off, please drop off at Park 7N, at the corner of Franklin Road and Maple Hill Road (see attached map). Cars that are a part of the drop-off line should keep their hazard warning flashers on to identify themselves to camp staff. Counselors will unload cars and greet the children. Campers will meet at Park 7N and will walk in groups to their camp location.

In the event of severe weather, drop-off and pick-up for Sun Fun and Camp Adventure will take place in the back lot at the Takiff Center. Parents will be notified by 7:30 AM via email if drop-off is moved to the Takiff Center.

Afternoon Pick-Up: Each family will receive a name card that should be shown visibly in the car windshield during the car line dismissal process. Cars that do not have a name card displayed will be asked to show identification. Please put your emergency flashers on while waiting in carline. **Name cards are required and will be given out at the Camp Open House.** Camp ends at 3:00 p.m. and dismissal will begin promptly at 3:00 p.m. at Park 7N. Cars that are part of the pick-up line should keep their hazard warning flashers on to identify themselves to camp staff. Parents will be notified by 2:00 PM via email if pick-up is moved to the Takiff Center. Be sure to complete the pickup information and authorization part on the camper information form. List persons authorized to pick up your child on a regular basis. If you wish to have additional authorized persons added, please request a Pickup Authorization Form from the directors or email sunfun@glencoe parkdistrict.com.

First Week of Drop-Off/Pick-Up: Please be patient and consider carpooling. If you wish, you may park your car and walk your child to the drop off location.

Walkers...

If your child has permission to walk home without a parent, please be sure to note this on the Camper Information Form and what days your child will walk home. A counselor will walk your child across Green Bay Road or the railroad tracks on Maple Hill Road, if needed.



Bike Riders...

Bike racks will be located at Park 7N. There will be a crossing guard at the crosswalk on Green Bay Road and at the train tracks. **If your child has permission to ride his/her bike home without a parent, please be sure to note this on the Camper Information Form. A counselor will then walk your child across Green Bay Road or the railroad tracks on Maple Hill Road, if needed. Bike helmets are required for your child.**

Before and After Camp Care:

AM Extended Day: Please walk your child to Community Room 4 for morning camp care.

PM Extended Day: Pick up your child from Community Room 4 for after camp care.

Clothing – Please Label Everything!

Children should wear jeans or shorts, T-shirts or tank tops, socks and gym shoes. We ask that the children refrain from wearing good clothes to camp as it may hinder their participation in some activities. Many activities involve running. Please have your camper wear, gym shoes, not sandals, each day. Please label bathing suits, towels, water bottles, jackets and sweaters to help us determine what goes where! Camp Adventure Lost and Found will be in the hallway near the Multi-Purpose Room. Please send your child to camp with a backpack each day to hold their belongings.

Sunscreen...

Please apply sunscreen to your child each day **before** camp. Please also send an extra bottle of sunscreen labeled with your child's first and last name to keep in his/her backpack at camp. If you wish to have Camp Adventure staff apply sunscreen to your child, please complete and return the Sunscreen Application Form to the Glencoe Park District before June 7.

T-Shirts...

Each camper will receive three Camp Adventure t-shirts. However, since the T-shirts are mass ordered before camp begins, this may not always be possible. Please make sure your child wears this T-shirt on trips. **Please label the T-shirt with your child's name.**

Lunch

Children should bring a sack lunch each day unless noted otherwise on the camp schedule. Complete supervision is provided during the lunch period. Water is provided to all campers when eating lunch at camp. Water will also be provided on beach days. Drinks will not be provided on other field trips. Lunches will be refrigerated except, on field trips and beach days.

Field Trips

All children must be at camp promptly (no later than 9:00 a.m.) on field trip days. The buses will not wait for late arrivers. **All campers should wear their Camp Adventure T-shirts.** Campers and counselors will also wear wristbands for identification. Children should bring a sack lunch with their name clearly marked on the outside unless noted otherwise on the calendar or by email. All general admission fees are paid in full by the Park District. Drinks will not be provided on field trips unless otherwise specified in the Camp Adventure emails.

For the majority of our field trips, we ask that you do not send money with your child. Children may only bring money when indicated by the Camp Directors on specific field trip days in an email. On these trips, please do not send your child with more than \$5.00 for snacks and/or souvenirs. **This money should not be used to buy lunches.** If a field trip should be cancelled due to weather, you child will not have the ability to purchase a lunch while on site at Takiff. We ask that you please set aside time before the field trips so that you and your child may discuss in advance items that you feel are appropriate for purchase. It will be the child's responsibility to select the items he/she wishes to purchase on the trip. Siblings will not be allowed on field trips, as buses can only accommodate registered campers.

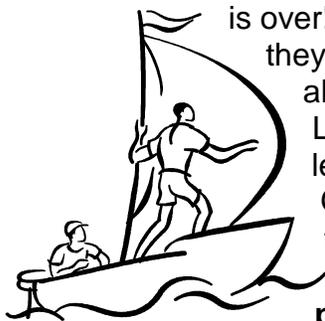
Aquatic Park Days

Campers should wear their bathing suit to camp and bring a towel, sunscreen, sack lunch with beverage and a change of clothes. Please do not have your child bring money to buy lunch at the site.



Glencoe Beach/ Sailing Days

Has your son or daughter ever wanted to learn how to sail? If so, tell them their wait



is over! We are thrilled to be able to offer a 45-minute instructional program in which they can begin to learn how to sail. They will be shown how to rig, sail, jibe, and tack all while in the elements that can only be experienced on the beautiful shores of Lake Michigan. The ratio of campers to instructors will be 4 to 1. They will be learning on either a Hobie 16 or Hobie wave sailboat. Campers will walk to the Glencoe Beach. All campers should wear their bathing suit to camp and bring a towel, sunscreen, and a change of clothes. **In case of rain, the camp will meet indoors at the Takiff Center. Fun gym activities, group games and/or art projects will be planned. If the weather is questionable, please send your child prepared to go to the beach and/or water park. A final judgment/assessment of the weather may be made after the children arrive at camp.**

Walking to the Beach:

We will start walking to the beach between 9:15 – 9:30 a.m. Counselors are trained to be safety conscious and gauge their pace according to that of the campers. Please do not send your child with money to the beach, as campers will not be allowed to make purchases. Water will be provided at the beach. Lunches are kept inside, out of the sun, but will not be refrigerated on this day.



Please email Camp Adventure at campadventure@glencoe parkdistrict.com before 9:30 a.m. or send a note if your child will be dropped off late or picked up early from the beach.

Walking Route:

Campers and counselors will walk south on inner Green Bay Road to Park Avenue. They will turn east on Park Avenue and cross Sheridan Road at the traffic light. They will proceed on Park Avenue to the beach. Counselors and campers will walk down the bluff and set up their belongings by the picnic benches in the trellis area. Swim time will begin at approximately 10:30 a.m. after sunscreen has been applied.

Special Event Days

Special Event Days will be every Thursday during the course of the eight weeks. Please consult your calendar to make sure your camper is prepared with the appropriate costume/ prop for that Thursday's special event!

Rain

In case of rain, camp will meet indoors utilizing the Takiff Center. Counselors and the Directors will plan a variety of rainy day activities, including small group and all camp projects and games. If there is rain at the time of drop off a change of location will be determined by 7:30am and emailed to parents. If there is rain at the time of pick up a change of location will be determined by 2:00pm and emailed to parents.



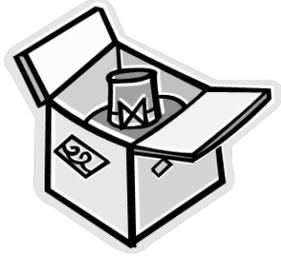
Parent Communication

Information on special events and field trips as well as information and reminders will be included in weekly e-mails. Please make sure an updated e-mail address is on file with the Park District. Let us know if you would like communication to be sent to an additional e-mail address as well. Remember to check your e-mail daily for updates from the Directors. Also, in case of rain please check emails for updates to drop off and pick up locations.

Cookouts & Pizza Days

On cookout days, the Park District will provide each child with a hot dog, bun, chips, condiments, and water. On pizza day, the Park District will provide pizza and water. Please supplement your child's lunch if you would like your child to have additional food.





Lost and Found

Camp Adventure Lost and Found will be located in the hallway near the Multi-Purpose Room. Please instruct your child to look for his/her belongings. Labeled items are more easily recovered! All unclaimed lost and found items will be disposed of or donated after camp ends.

Overnight

We will be offering **2** overnight options for our campers! **Friday, July 7** will be our all Camp Adventure over-nighter for first session! **Friday, July 21** will be our all Camp Adventure over-nighter for second session! Campers should attend camp on Friday and come prepared for the overnight. Children should bring a sleeping bag, pillow, pajamas, and change of clothes, toothbrush and other essentials. We will provide dinner, along with a snack and drink. Breakfast will be provided on Saturday morning. All campers who attend should plan on staying for the whole event ("under-nighters," must be coordinated with the Directors). Campers should be picked up at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday morning at the Takiff Center.

Camp Adventure P.M. Information:

Summer School Bus Transportation for P.M. Campers...

All P.M. campers are welcome to attend the full day on the first day of camp on Monday, June 19 if they wish! Bus transportation from summer school is provided and included in the P.M. camp fee. Bus transportation is provided from Central School to camp. There will be two bus monitor counselors on the bus to take attendance and supervise the shuttle. On days campers are off site the bus will bring them to the field trip locations. On days that camp is on site, the P.M. campers will be dropped off at the Takiff Center during lunch time and join their groups for lunch or eat lunch as a group. Camp Adventure P.M. campers will be placed in groups with full-day campers. In the event of an all-day field trip, P.M. campers should decide between attending summer school or camp. There will not be bus transportation from school to the field trip on an all-day field trip. P.M. campers are welcome to join us for the field trip or we will look forward to seeing them at Takiff upon our return from the field trip. **All campers must ride the bus both ways to and from field trip destinations. Therefore, campers may not be dropped off in the afternoon at the field trip destination.**



On Friday Beach Days, Camp Adventure P.M. campers and the bus monitor counselors will be dropped off by the bus at the Park Avenue beach entrance. If you wish to drop your child off at any other time, please walk him/her down to the trellis area and let your child's counselor know your child has arrived. For your child's safety, we ask that you seek out your child's counselors or the Directors after walking your child down to the beach to ensure that our staff is aware of your child's arrival.

Parents' Night

We will be having a Camp Adventure and Sun Fun family picnic and sing-a-long outdoors in the field on **Thursday, August 10 at Kalk Park**. Families are welcome to bring a picnic dinner and blanket.

We'll meet at 6:00 p.m. Each camp group will perform for all of their family and friends. With the sound system set up, each group will present their own original song and/or dance. Without a doubt, this night is a good time for all! Please, carpool with other families, if possible. Lost and found will also be displayed. We hope to see everyone there! 😊

(If there is a chance of inclement weather we will relocate to the Takiff Center Gym)

Mark your calendars now! You don't want to miss this final goodbye!

