General Information

Day camp is filled with wonderful opportunities to play in the great outdoors, enjoy crafts, participate in unique activities, sing fun songs and learn about God's love. Caring staff are there to watch over them. Whether it's going down the 320ft waterslide with a young camper or introducing them to their first canoe ride, our certified lifeguarding staff, health officer and program staff will provide a safe and fun filled week.

Later in this document you will find specific information that will help you prepare for day camp.

For the campers that will be attending multiple weeks of day camp, each week has its own unique theme with special activities and chapel lessons. You can review the list of weekly themes below:

Week One: Ignite

The theme of week one is Ignite! This week we will focus on the sources of light in the Bible. We will talk about how Jesus' light should shine through us as we tell others about His love. The remarkable thing is, as Christians we shouldn't be afraid and hide the light that God gives us. Prepare to have fun playing some glow in the dark games with your friends. This week we will also visit the buffalo ranch, where you will have the chance to feed buffalo during a wagon ride and can choose an optional horseback trail ride, at an additional fee.

** Note—You must be 8 yrs of age to do a trail ride at the Buffalo Ranch. Trail rides

Week Two: It's a Jungle out there!

The world is filled with fantastic animals, and guess what? God made them all. Get ready to explore some of the animals that are talked about in the Bible, as well as the animals in the Michindoh's nature center. We will have a great time playing animal themed games and spending time with friends. Come join us for an adventure that should be a roaring good time.

Week Three: Kidz Cafe

Who doesn't like food? Nobody at camp Michindoh! This week we will be exploring the diverse types of food mentioned in the Bible. The crazy thing is that there were characters from the bible who became closer to their family and to God because of miracles that involved food. Be prepared to play some messy and silly food games as well! This week at camp it is o.k. to play with your food. Don't worry, there will be snacks.

Week four: Christmas in July

July 25 is almost here, and that means that there is less than a half a year left until Christmas! Break out those ugly Christmas sweaters and dust off your Christmas cheer because we will be exploring how the messages in the Christmas story do not just apply in December. Get out your favorite Christmas songs as well as attempt to build summer snowmen and decorate summer trees. You won't have a chance to ride on Santa's sleigh, but you could have a chance to ride a horse and a wagon at the buffalo ranch. Horseback riding is an optional activity with an additional fee.

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Week five: The Great Outdoors

There is so much to explore in the great outdoors! This week we will look at what the Bible has to say about things you might find in your own back yard, like plants, sky, and water. Get ready to have some fun in the sun, especially on our wacky water relay day!

Week six: The Olympics

Yay sports! The Olympics are an exciting time for athletes from all over the world to come together to compete. This week we will get to talk about different sports mentioned in the Bible and learn about people who had to rely on God's strength and not their own. Also, we will be able to participate in some of our own "Olympic" games. One of these sports could be horseback riding because we are going to take a trip to the buffalo ranch. Start training now! Horseback riding is an optional activity with an additional fee.

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What to Bring – Day Camp

* Modest Swimwear (that covers midriff), * Clothes for cool or rainy weather (Please put campers name on clothing), * Jacket, * Running Shoes, * Flip Flops or Sandals * Pencil, Notebook and Bible * Backpack Optional: * Camera and Film, * Stamped, Envelopes & Stationery

Please Leave at Home

iPods, CD players, radios, TV's, electronic games, cell phones, pagers, weapons, drugs, fireworks, roller blades, skate boards, jewelry, alcohol, magazines, and any valuable item that may be lost.

Health Insurance

Michindoh does not carry camper medical insurance. Campers must be covered by a current health insurance policy to attend camp. Private or government insurance is acceptable.

General Camp Rules

Michindoh endeavors to create an environment conducive to nurturing youth. Every moment of camp is vital to our mission and we preciously guard every hour with each camper. To accomplish the core purpose of our camping program, Michindoh will enforce the following:

- * Leaving camp causes unnecessary distractions to the program and is discouraged. Parents/Guardian must contact the Program Administrator in advance for exceptions and a written authorization.
- * Visits from friends/relatives will not be permitted.
- * Campers are under the authority of the camp staff during their stay at camp.
- * Campers are expected to conduct themselves in an appropriate manner at all times.
- * Campers will not bring onto the grounds nor use anything which will pollute mind or body (alcohol, tobacco, or other controlled substances).
- * Campers will conform to the camp dress code.
 - * No halter tops, tube tops or bare midriffs. Shorts are to be finger-tip length or longer.
 - * Play clothes should be worn most of the day.
 - * Footwear must be worn to and from all activities.

Campers should understand that violation of camp rules may result in the contact of parents/guardians with possibility of being sent home.

Arrival and Departure

Arrival Times:

Check in for Day Camp is 8:30 a.m.

Departure Times:

Check out for Day Camp is 5 p.m.

** The week's ending ceremonies are on Fridays starting at 4 p.m. **

SNACK SHACK

Campers have the opportunity to purchase Camp Store Cards.

- ➤ All purchases during camp must be made with Store Cards as cash will not be allowed. Campers should not bring additional money to camp.
- These cards can be used for buying pop, candy, ice cream, T-shirts, souvenirs, and camp videos.
- > Store Cards can be purchased in increments of \$5.00 only.
- > Store Cards are <u>non-refundable</u> and <u>must be spent in full</u>. They can, however, be saved for next year or given to a sibling or friends to finish off remaining balance.
- ➤ The Snack Shack will be open each full day of camp.
- > There is a large variety of items for the campers to enjoy:

SouvenirsSnacksT-ShirtsCandy BarsCamp VideosIce creamStuffed AnimalsPop CornHatsPop

Water Bottles

- > Store cards cannot be used at the Gift Shoppe in Weatherwood Lodge.
- > Store cards can be purchased when your child is registered for camp, at any time prior to camp through your online registration account, or in person when your child is dropped off at camp.