

Brownie Bonanza
Camp Elk River

July 10, 30, August 13, or 14, 2009
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Welcome to *Brownie Bonanza!* We are pleased that you will be joining us for a day of fun at Camp Elk River.

Arrival and Departure

Please plan on arriving at Camp Elk River between 9:15 – 9:45 a.m. This will give you time to check in. Program begins promptly at 10 a.m. You will depart Camp Elk River at 4 p.m.

When you arrive at Camp Elk River, you will follow the gravel road straight to the main gate of camp; turn right by the Lake Barbara sign. Please park in the parking lot inside of camp and enter the main building named Gray Koch. There will be a check-in station right through the front doors of Gray Koch.

Groups

Depending on the number of participants and type of activities we may ask that your group be split into smaller sections. Should this need occur the camp staff will work with you to determine the best way to go about doing this at check-in.

Activities

We have a full day of activities planned. We are preparing for swimming, games, arts and crafts projects, and much more! Please make sure that if there is an adult attending the event that you are registered.

Remember to pack a lunch. We will eat inside the dining hall, but please provide your own food.

Bathroom Facilities

In the Grey Koch building there are large, modern bathrooms with hot running water, showers, electricity, and flush toilets. There are also shower and toilet facilities located at Lake Barbara. A majority of our program will take place near to either of these locations, and both are accessible.

Health Info

Please notify our health staff of any special needs or conditions when you arrive at camp. If you think there is something we need to know ahead of time, please contact the camp director at least two weeks prior to your arrival.

What to bring

Please dress for the weather. A change of clothes or rain gear may be appropriate depending on the day.

- Make sure to pack a sturdy pair of shoes for walking around camp, with closed toes and ankle support for more vigorous activities.
- Please pack a lunch.
- Pets and weapons of any kind are not allowed at camp.
 - Wear your swimming suit under your clothes when you come
 - Underwear (to change into after swimming)
 - Sunscreen
 - Bug spray
 - Comfortable walking shoes (sandals and flip flops are not allowed at camp for safety)
 - Socks to wear with your shoes

- Rain gear
- Comfortable clothes that you can move around in and do not mind getting dirty
- Water bottle
- A bag to carry all of your things
- Camera
- Towel
- Lunch

It is best to dress in layers so if you get hot or cold you have the appropriate clothing with you. Just remember your bag to put removed articles of clothing in.

Lost and Found

Camp is not responsible for items left at camp. It is best to have your name in all items. Lost items are kept approximately two weeks at camp and then sent to the service center closest to camp. All items are donated to charity if not claimed by August 31.

Lyme Disease and West Nile Virus

As with any outdoor activity in the Midwest, participants run the risk of being bitten by mosquitoes, ticks, and other insects. Tick checks are part of the daily routine at camp. Parents/guardians should be aware of the symptoms of Lyme Disease and West Nile Virus. We will send home any ticks found on your camper. The Center for Disease Control (CDC) www.cdc.gov can provide in-depth information about these conditions. Exposure to these diseases can be minimized by using an effective insect repellent (the CDC recommends using an insect repellent with DEET) and wearing long sleeves and pants when possible.

Severe Weather

In case of severe weather, please tell relatives/parents not to call the camp. The camp staff is trained to handle emergencies and will be busy taking care of campers. The phone lines must be kept open for communications with officials. There are emergency shelters located at each camp.

Alcohol/Smoking

Council policy states that the use of alcoholic beverages and controlled substances is prohibited on all council properties. Smoking is not permitted on camp property.

Questions or Concerns

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