



Camp Leopold Parent Handbook

Camp Address

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For more information, visit us at www.wildlifefeedcenter.org

General Camp Information

FOOD

Please do not send your child with food, chewing gum, or candy. We provide breakfast, lunch, dinner and dessert, as well as snacks during your child's stay at Camp Leopold. Food in suitcases and in the cabins will attract unwanted visitors. Food from home can cause hard feelings among the other campers and will make living conditions unhealthy for the Camp Leopold Staff and Chaperones.

PHONES

Campers are not allowed to make phone calls. **CELL PHONES NEED TO BE LEFT AT HOME.** We ask parents to only call the camp in an emergency situation. If your child is sick, we will notify you of your child's health status and you will be able to talk with them. Camp Leopold is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged equipment.

CAMP STORE

We have a small gift shop located in the Chace Lodge that we open at the end of each program. Costs of items range from \$1-\$15.

BIRTHDAYS AT CAMP LEOPOLD

With prior notification, any camper who has a birthday while attending camp will be honored with a special birthday treat, birthday wishes, and songs from the entire camp.

MEDICATIONS

All medications must be in the original bottle with the original medications label date, your child's name, medication name, milligrams, dosage and the prescribing doctor's name on each bottle. Please include written administrating directions. Please place medications and instructions in a zip lock bag with the child's name printed in bold letters on the outside. Medications will be administered at each meal time or at the time that each dosage is required.

School staff are responsible for all medication. All medication MUST be stored in a locked area unless being administered by appointed school staff.

Camper Guidelines

Dorm Rules

1. Keep dorms clean (flush toilets, trash in cans, keep stuff under or next to the bunk).
2. No food or drink allowed in dorms!
3. Do not move the furniture.
4. No visits to dorm of opposite sex.
5. Dorm chaperone is in charge, you must listen to them. They will set shower times, lights out time, and thermostat control.
6. If the heat is on in your room, please keep the door closed.
7. During bedtime be silent and respect those trying to sleep.
8. Do not put paper towels in the toilets.
9. Any damages will be billed to your parents and/or your school, so please be respectful of the dorms.
10. You are responsible for packing up all belongings and cleanup before you leave.

Dining Hall Rules

1. No running around inside the dining hall.
2. No yelling in the dining hall.
3. While you are eating or drinking you should be sitting down.
4. No food leaves the dining hall – even fruit (raisins, apples).
5. Do not go for seconds without asking the instructors.
6. If you think that you would like seconds, check and see if seconds are available.
7. Do not take more food than you can eat – we do not want to waste food.
8. Coffee is not for the kids!
9. Pick up any food that is dropped on the floor.
10. Any excess liquid or ice should be dumped into the bucket marked for that purpose.
11. A group will be assigned particular meals which they will be responsible for sweeping the dining hall.

General Rules – Respect and Safety

1. Shoes and shirts must be worn at all times.
2. Stay with your group and instructor at all times.
3. Listen to your instructor at all times. When we raise our hands that is your signal to stop talking and pay attention.
4. Do not run around camp, there are lots of roots, rocks and holes, so walk carefully!
5. Any building we do not take you in is off limits. Especially the office, maintenance sheds, kitchen and staff homes.
6. Respect the environment – we are entering the homes of many animals and other organisms. Let's act as guests in their home. Don't litter, pick-up trash, don't destroy vegetation, kill or torture animals (including frogs and lizards).
7. Respect others. Listen when others are talking. Use positive encouragement towards each other.
8. Look out for each other.
9. No use of phones allowed unless given special permission from school staff or Camp Leopold Director.
10. Respect the rules of the camp while you are here.
11. HAVE FUN!!!

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What to Bring to Camp

Please check the weather before your child's visit to Camp Leopold and ensure they have appropriate clothing for the time of year. Most of our activities are outdoors, rain or shine, so proper preparation is critical in your child's enjoyment and comfort while at camp. Please come prepared with old clothes for outdoor use that you are not concerned about getting heavily soiled.

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>CLOTHING (Label all belongings)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2 pairs of sneakers• Mud Boots or rain boots (optional, but helpful if taking Wetlands Class)• Several pairs of socks• 2-3 pairs of old jeans• 2 clean long-sleeved shirts per day• 2 sweaters• Winter jacket (for months from December-February) or jacket with extra sweaters• Mittens/gloves• Hat and scarf, earmuffs• Rain coat and cap (a poncho is good)• 1 pair of pajamas	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>PERSONAL ITEMS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reusable water bottle• Comb/brush• Toilet articles (soap, towels, toothbrush, toothpaste, etc.)• Bedding for bunk bed (Pillow, sleeping bag or fitted sheet and blanket)• 2 plastic bags for dirty and wet clothes (marked with child's name)• Curling irons, hair dryers, etc. are allowed at the discretion of school's group leaders• Insect repellent and sunscreen• Chap stick <p style="text-align: center;"><u>OPTIONAL</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inexpensive camera and film• Flashlight, day pack, sunglasses
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PLEASE DO NOT BRING: Candy, gum, snacks, knives, weapons of any kind, fireworks, radios, TV's, electronic games, cell phones (dependent on coordinator), or animals. Students are not permitted to bring their own sports equipment, and in the event they do, Camp Leopold is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged equipment. **FOOD IS NOT ALLOWED IN DORMS/CABINS**

LUGGAGE: Please limit luggage to one suitcase, backpack, or duffle bag, plus one sleeping bag or bed roll. Don't bring unnecessary items. Make sure all items are marked. Only old clothes should be brought. New clothes will be ruined by heavy outdoor use.

MONEY: We have a small gift shop that will be open during each program. Cash, credit card, and checks are all accepted forms of payment. This year, the following items are available:

- Stickers: \$2
- Lanyards: \$3
- Sunglasses: \$5
- T-shirts: \$10
- Owl Calls: \$15

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Directions to the Wildlife Education Center

The physical address of Camp Leopold is as follows:

8444 Old River Road, Pinewood, SC 29125

Please Note: Due to the flooding that occurred in October of 2015, there is a bridge that is out on Old River Road between our main SCWA office and our Wildlife Education Center. As a result, some GPS directions will be inaccurate, especially if you are coming from the Columbia/Upstate area. Below are written directions to assist finding our facilities.

I-77, I-26 & I-20 traveling South or East

I-26 traveling through Columbia turn North onto I-77

I-20 traveling through Columbia turn South onto I-77

From I-77 in Columbia turn at exit #9 onto Hwy 378/76 east (Garner's Ferry Road) toward Sumter. Follow 378/76 about 25 miles to Highway 261 and turn right. Follow 261 for approximately 12 miles and turn right onto Mill Creek Road. Follow Mill Creek Road for approximately 9 miles and cross the railroad tracks in Rimini, take the left fork onto Governor Richardson Road. Travel 5.6 miles and turn right onto St. Philip Church UME Road. Travel 2.5 miles on St. Phillips Church Road to Old River Road and turn right. Travel 3.1 miles on Old River Road and turn right at large SCWA Wildlife Education Center sign right at the large wooden and iron gates – there is a sign adjacent to them that reads “Marshall Collins Gateway.”

I-95 traveling South

Exit I-95 at milepost 115 (Highway 301) and go West (right). Follow 301 to the second traffic light in the town of Summerton. Continue straight through Summerton for 4.5 miles and turn left onto St. Phillips Church Road. Travel 2.5 miles on St. Phillips Church Road to Old River Road and turn right. Travel 3.1 miles on Old River Road and turn right at large SCWA Wildlife Education Center sign right at the large wooden and iron gates – there is a sign adjacent to them that reads “Marshall Collins Gateway.”

I-95 traveling North

Exit I-95 at milepost 108. Turn left on Buff Road and travel 0.8 miles to Church Street (Hwy 15/301). Turn right on Church Street and travel 0.7 miles to traffic light. Turn left on Larry King Road (Gov. Richardson Road) and travel 4.5 miles. Then turn left onto St. Phillips Church Road. Travel 2.5 miles on St Phillips Church Road to Old River Road and turn right. Travel 3.1 miles on Old River Road and turn right at large SCWA Wildlife Education Center sign Old River Road and turn right at the large wooden and iron gates – there is a sign adjacent to them that reads “Marshall Collins Gateway.”

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Required Camp Leopold Forms

The following are forms that need to be completed and returned to your student's teacher at least two weeks before the date of the fieldtrip. These forms will help create a safe, welcoming environment for both guests and Camp Leopold staff. Please carefully fill out and return the following forms to your student's teacher:

Model Release Section

This form is giving SCWA and Camp Leopold the ability to take "activity" photos of your child and use them to advertise and promote our school year camp. This section has to be signed by a parent/guardian.

Confidential Information

It is very important to our staff that your child has the best experience possible at Camp Leopold. Up to date information will enable the staff to be better prepared to help your child in possible "uncomfortable situations" ex: fear of lightening, bed wetting, etc.

Release & Permission to Participate in Camp Activities

This section acknowledges the risks associated with general camp activities and waives Camp Leopold from liable from camp-related injuries. You may also choose any activities you wish to exclude your camper from while at camp.

Camper Medical Section & Health History Forms

This form will need to be printed and completed for every child attending Camp Leopold and returned to your child's teacher. We will use the information on this form to notify the Camp Director of any recommendations or restrictions you may have for your child. (Educators will be responsible for harboring and administering medications for their students).

PHOTOGRAPH/MODEL RELEASE

This photograph release form is a release for Camp Leopold and the South Carolina Waterfowl Association to take pictures of children participating in Camp Leopold's Environmental education activities. Your child's image may appear on our website, brochure, social media, or camp video for advertisement and information purposes. I hereby give the South Carolina Waterfowl Association and Camp Leopold the absolute, irrevocable right and permission, forever and throughout the world, to use the photographs or video taken of my child at camp for promotional use. I hereby forever release and discharge South Carolina Waterfowl Association and Camp Leopold from any and all claims, actions, and demands arising out of or in connection with the use of said photographs, video, brochures, including without limitations, any and all claims for invasion of privacy and libel. This release shall benefit the assign, licenses, and legal representative of as well as parties for they took said photographs or video. I represent that I am over the legal age, and/or of twenty – one years and that I have read the foregoing and fully and completely understand the contents thereof.

I represent that I am the parent/guardian of _____, the above named camper. For the value received, I hereby consent to the foregoing on his/her behalf.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

CONFIDENTIAL CAMPER INFORMATION

The confidential camper information you provide will help us to better meet your child's needs.

Campers Name: _____

Dates attending Camp Leopold: _____

School Name: _____

Please list any physical challenges, anxiety, or any concerns you may have for us to help make your child's visit a special visit:

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CAMPER MEDICAL STATEMENT

Campers Name: _____

It is my opinion that he/she is physically able to engage in camp activities, except as follows:

With these precautions: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

RELEASE & PERMISSION TO PARTICIPATE IN CAMP ACTIVITIES

I give permission for my child to participate in all Camp Leopold activities, except for those activities noted. As a parent/guardian I fully recognize and understand that there are certain injury risks associated with being in such a natural environment as camp and there is a risk of being injured in such activities. Any activities specified in writing below by the parent will be excluded from their child's list of activities for their scheduled visit:

In consideration of the privilege of camp attendance, it is expressly agreed that all use of services and facilities shall be undertaken at the participant's sole risk and that Camp Leopold and the South Carolina Waterfowl Association, or the employees thereof shall not be liable for any claims, demands, injuries, damages, or causes of action whatsoever to any camper arising out of or connected with the use of any of the services and facilities of the camp. Further, the camp, camp staff, or other South Carolina Waterfowl Association employees will not be liable for loss of personal property of the camper. I agree that my child may be given the following over-the-counter medications as needed, for age, weight, and the appropriate dosages while at Camp Leopold: Ibuprofen (Advil/Motrin), Acetaminophen (Tylenol,). If you decline either of the above medications for your child's care, please list them below.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Camper's Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Health History Form for Short-Term Campers (3 Nights or Less)

Return this form to your school. These forms must be returned to Camp Leopold Staff two-weeks prior to fieldtrip.

Camper Name: _____
First Name Middle Initial Last Name

Date of Birth: _____ Boy Girl
Month Day Year

Parent/Guardian: _____

Preferred Phone #: (_____) _____

About health care for short-term camper stays:

- At minimum, a staff member with Basic First Aid and CPR is at camp while campers are present.
- Campers should arrive ready to participate in the program. Should your camper be unable to participate, please let us know ahead of time in our "Release & Permission to Participate in Camp Activities" form.
- Campers should bring – and use – insect repellent (minimum 30% DEET) and sun screen (minimum 30 SPF).
- School staff are responsible for all medication. All medication is to be stored under lock unless being administered by appointed school staff.

1. Date (month & year) of your child's most recent tetanus immunization _____

2. Is this child allergic to any food or medication? Yes No

If YES, name the item and indicate the reaction. _____ Intolerance Anaphylaxis
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3. Does this child have asthma? Yes No

If YES, will your child carry a rescue inhaler during the camp session? Yes No

If YES, does your child need staff help to use that rescue inhaler? Yes No

If YES, what triggers your child's asthma? _____

4. We will call when there is a question about your child's health and/or in an emergency. Provide contact information for a custodial parent who will be available via phone while your child is attending our program.

Name of Parent: _____ Phone: (_____) _____

5. List the medications that your camper takes on a routine basis: This camper takes no routine medication.

a. Med: _____ Reason for taking this: _____

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6. What else should we know about your child? Please write additional information about your child's health that may impact your child's participation in our program:

Parent/Guardian Authorization

This information is correct and the child described has permission to participate in all camp activities except as noted on this form. I understand that the camp has limited healthcare on site and that staff will call the indicated parent/guardian (a) in an emergency, (b) if questions about my child's health may arise, and/or (c) when my child is unable to continue because of injury or illness. I acknowledge that the program will handle medication as described and that information on this form will be shared with staff on a need-to-know basis.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

