Dear 2023 Summer Camper, Parents or Guardians,

We are so excited that you are coming to camp this year—whether it's your first summer or your tenth. For generations, Sugar Creek Bible Camp has provided youth with wonderful Christian camping experiences. Youth and families need the benefits of camp now more than ever.



Please read this letter to plan for your week at camp this summer.

A CAMPER PROFILE SHEET and a HEALTH HISTORY/PERMISSION FORM must be completed. If you registered online, forms are included in the <u>online</u> enrollment process. You may print forms from our website, but online forms are preferred. Complete the forms and send them to Sugar Creek as soon as possible.

Please note: the balance of your camp fees is **due in full no later than June 1, 2023**, but we welcome early payments. *Churches* should send "campership" funds to us by June 1 as well. You may pay all your campers' fees with one check or pay by credit card. *Online registration requires a credit card payment.* You may call and cancel your camp week up until June 1, 2023, to receive a full refund. If you cancel after June 1, we will retain your \$100 deposit. Please contact our registrar, Greta Greif, at office@sgrcreek.org or 608-734-3113 if you need to reschedule your week of camp or if you have general registration questions.

Arrival Time: Week-long campers, please check-in between **2 - 4 pm** on the Sunday of your camp week. If you will be late, <u>please call ahead</u> to let us know. *Early arrivals or check-ins are* <u>NOT</u> *allowed* as our staff are preparing for the week.

Departure Time: Closing program is on **Friday at 1 pm**. Families are welcome and encouraged to attend. Be sure to allow time to park and walk to the program. If you plan to pick up your child before the closing on Friday, you must complete an **early release form** at Sunday check-in.

Pilgrims Arrival/Departure Times: half-week program for 2nd and 3rd graders

Campers attending Sunday to Tuesday (Session A) arrive *Sunday between 2-4 pm* during normal camper registration and depart at 6 pm *Tuesday* with a closing program.

Campers attending Wednesday to Friday (Session B) arrive Wednesday at 9 am. Closing program and departure are Friday at 1 pm.

After the closing program, be sure to check your children's luggage before you depart, claim the <u>correct</u> sleeping bag and pillow, and check the <u>Lost and Found</u> table. Many valuables are left behind! We do not keep Lost and Found after summer, so please call us as soon as you discover something is missing.



Phone Calls: Campers are not allowed to have their cell phones or technology devices at camp. Parents/Guardians, do not promise your campers that they may call or text you from camp, or that you will call them. The Camp Director, or other designated person, will call you in case of an emergency, severe homesickness, injury or illness which prevents your child from participating in camp activities.



First Aid, Medications, Dietary Needs: Sugar Creek always has a qualified, volunteer health officer to administer First Aid. Medications must come in the original container with directions for use. All medications will be collected and dispensed by the First Aid provider, including non-prescription drugs. Inhalers are an exception. Please refer to our Health History Form for a list of OTC medications available in the infirmary. If your child has special dietary needs (e.g. Gluten-free, severe allergies, etc.) you can pack foods to supplement their meals at camp. Please call or e-mail if you have dietary or medical questions.

CANTEEN: Campers may bank money (~\$4 per day) to use at camp for snacks and drinks in the Snack Shop Canteen. You can put money in your camper account on CampWise or in person at check-in. *Riverboaters* and other off-site campers only visit the Snack Shop Canteen on Thursdays. They may bring a small amount of pocket change instead of banking money. Unspent funds can be donated to our summer mission project, campership fund, or will be returned at the end of the week.

Families may purchase Sugar Creek apparel and other items for their campers in our Camp Store during camper arrival and departure times.

Packing for Camp: Bring only the essentials and pack old clothing that can get dirty. TRAVEL LIGHTLY— especially Riverboaters, Elevated, and Pedal & Paddle campers. *Label everything with your camper's name and phone number*. Sending a checklist can help campers with end-of-the week re-packing.

PACK THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN AN EASY-TO-CARRY TRAVEL BAG:

Bible - If you do not have a Bible, we will gladly share one.

Raincoat or Poncho - Activities happen rain or shine.



<u>Personal Items</u> - Bring travel-size items such as: shampoo, soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, deodorant.

Towel - Bath, washcloth and beach as needed.

Water bottle - Fill yours at camp and stay hydrated wherever you go.

Flashlight - Pack a small inexpensive flashlight and extra batteries.

<u>Shoes</u> – Sneakers for everyday use, sandals for the pool, and boots/sturdy shoes for horse rides. Strapon sandals (not flip flops) or old shoes can be used for creek stomping.

<u>Sleeping Bag and Pillow</u> - Bring a **warm**, outdoor-use-sleeping bag and a pillow.

Bug Repellent-Sunscreen - Pack a small bottle of each to protect your camper.

<u>Warm Clothes</u> - Evenings at camp are often cool, so please pack a sweatshirt or a light jacket, and long pants and socks.

*You must bring a pair of long pants to wear on horseback rides.

<u>Summer Wear</u> - Pack comfortable clothes for warm, daytime activities. Pack modest t-shirts, with campappropriate logos.

Backpack – A backpack or cinch bag is helpful for carrying things around camp.

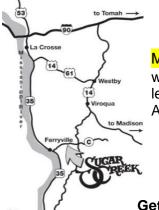
<u>Camera</u> – One-time-use-cameras are best for camp. Remember: no cell phones!

<u>Swimsuit</u>, <u>Goggles</u>, <u>towel</u>- Girls should bring one-piece swimsuits or Tankini-type suits: boys need to wear swim trunks. *Think modest and appropriate*.

LEAVE PETS AT HOME when you drop off or pick up your child.



DO NOT BRING: cell phones, pets, radios, electronics, firearms, fireworks, knives, tobacco products, alcohol, non-prescription drugs, or food. Campers found with alcohol or drugs will be dismissed from camp. Other items will be locked up securely in the camp office and returned at departure.



MAIL: Campers love getting mail, but please, NO food **or** candy! Mail letters before the week begins and <u>allow at least 4 business days</u> for mail to reach Sugar Creek or leave letters with the check-in staff.

Address letters to: SUGAR CREEK BIBLE CAMP

Camper's Full Name, Program, Week of Camp

13141 SCBC Road Ferryville, WI 54628

Get ready for a fun, faith-building adventure at Sugar Creek Bible Camp this summer!