Winning Warriors Day Camp

Camper Handbook

Who:

Residents of the greater Jackson County area age 5-17 who have experienced some form of significant trauma. Examples include those who have lost a parent, those who have been in the foster system, those who have experienced a burn injury requiring treatment or hospitalization at a Burn Center, and children of active duty/deployed U.S. Military personnel. Each child's eligibility will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Winning Warriors volunteers will be composed of those who are community servants, including police, fire, EMS, Sheriff's Officers, military, Church leaders and members, and everyday community heroes.

When and Where:

Winning Warriors Day Camp will be held June 8, 9, and 10, 2027 from 8:45 am to 5:30 pm. Camper drop-off is 8:15-8:45 am at the Jackson Country Agricultural Facility located at 1869 County Farm Rd, Jefferson, GA 30549. On Tuesday, June 8, parents and/or guardians must park and bring their pre-registered camper(s) to the registration area where Counselors and volunteers will check them in and the waivers for Liability and Medical Release and the Photo Release (or denial) will be signed by the parent and/or guardian (Unless you have scanned and emailed or printed the forms before-hand and bring them with you). No child may participate in camp without us (WW) having these waivers being signed by a parent or legal guardian. Parents/guardians will then receive a Car Tag with the camper's name. Cars that display the original Car Tag(s) will be able to pick up their camper(s) each afternoon between 5:30 and 6:00 pm elementary school car rider line style and drop-off their camper(s) on June 9 and 10 in the same fashion. Cars without an original Car Tag at either drop-off (to ensure the camper has completed the entire registration process) or pick-up will have to park and show proper ID of a "person authorized to pick up child" registered on the camper(s) application. For everyone's safety **there will be no exceptions to this rule.**

What will we do:

Campers will be grouped into *Tribes* of 5-12 campers of similar age and gender with a *Tribe Leader* and *Counselors*. All Counselors and Tribe Leaders will be trained, responsible adult volunteers who have either completed a background check or are checked by a partner agency. Once in their Tribe the campers will be constantly chaperoned by at least one volunteer who has been vetted the entire time they are at camp. The Tribes will then engage in the scheduled activities that vary each day to include:

Archery, Arts & Crafts, Biking, Camping and Woodcraft, Canoeing/kayaking, Climbing Wall, Field Day, Fishing, Horseback Riding, Petting Zoo, Swimming, and Community Partner Demonstrations possibly including: Fire Apparatus, Sheriff & Police Vehicles, Helicopters, Military Vehicles, Ambulances, etc.

What will we eat:

Campers will be fed a snack in the morning, lunch, an afternoon snack, and dinner (or *supper* if you like). Fluids will be provided throughout the day. Please be sure you have listed any food allergies your child might have in the appropriate area of their application.

Additional Rules and Information:

Photo Release:

Please be aware that pictures of the children, staff, and volunteers will be taken each day. These may be used in a slideshow as well as posted on the following sites*:

- City of Jefferson website (www.jeffersonga.gov)
- Winning Warriors Camp Facebook Page and on winningwarriorsfoundation.org
- Affiliated churches' and public safety partner's websites (Jackson County Sheriff's Office)

**Names of the children and adults will not be listed in any of the posts*

We also would like to have these photos for use in Winning Warriors Day Camp materials and publicity for next year. By signing the Photo Release you have agreed, and we thank you in advance.

Injuries and Medical Information:

We hope that no injuries occur but camp is a fun place where bumps, bruises, and bugs are always possible. Minor scrapes, cuts, and other minor injuries will be treated with basic first aid care (cleaning the area, applying antibiotic ointment and a Band-Aid). If injuries occur that appear to be more serious we will have our trained medical staff begin treatment as appropriate up to and including transport by ambulance if necessary. We will make every effort to contact you to let you know what has happened as soon as possible. Please make sure that you have listed the best contact numbers for you or another family member. If your child has allergies, an epi pen, an inhaler, or any other emergency medicine please make sure they are listed on your child's application and necessary meds are given to our medical team at camper drop-off. For your child to participate, remember, we must have an original, signed Liability and Medical Release waiver.

Just like when attending school there are health related situations where you should keep your child home instead of sending them to camp:

1. Fevers are a sign your child is fighting off a viral or bacterial infection. Keep them home until they are fever free (under 100.3) for 24 hours without the assistance of medication.
2. No vomiting or diarrhea for 24 hours.
3. Itchy, red eyes with a fever or mucus, crust, swelling, or discomfort.
4. Visible signs of lice including yellow, tan, brown spots or nits (they can also resemble dandruff).

Rules:

1. Treat others the way you would like to be treated.
   A. Be respectful of all camp volunteers, staff, and other campers.
   B. Be respectful of all grounds, equipment, and property.
   C. There will be no physical or verbal aggression, fighting, or swearing.
2. Do not steal.
3. Do not lie.
4. Campers will wear appropriate clothing, including shirts and close-toed shoes. No explicit material, profanity, alcohol or illegal drugs depicted on clothing. **Remember to bring a swimsuit, towel, and flip-flops.** One piece swimsuits for females (Tankinis are acceptable if the entire mid-drift is covered). Trunk style suits for males.
5. Campers will follow the "rule of three" (never one on one with counselors, volunteers, or other campers).
6. Campers will take care of and return any equipment they may use.
7. Campers will follow the expectations set out by their Tribe Leaders and Counselors.
8. Campers agree to stay with their group or assigned volunteers at all times.

9. The following are NOT allowed at camp:
    A. Cell phones, iPods, or other electronic devices.
    B. Smoking (including e-cigarettes), alcohol, weapons of any kind (i.e. sling shots, cap guns, knives, etc.)
    C. Lighters/matches, fireworks, and fire setting.
    D. Any other equipment/item that is not approved of by Camp Co-Directors or Camp Council. A camper's failure to follow these rules will result in a corrective discipline up to including expulsion from the remainder of camp.

***Under Georgia law, there is no liability for an injury or death of an individual entering these premises if such injury or death results from the inherent risks of contracting COVID-19. You are assuming this risk by entering these premises. (Premises include any indoor, outdoor, vehicle, building or any other area or space while attending WW Day Camp).**