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WCA CAMP 2017

# CAMP BASICS

## Who can come to camp?

- Mini Kamp is for students completing grades 3-5 in the spring of 2017.
- Junior High is for students completing grades 6-8 in the spring of 2017.
- Senior High is for students completing grades 9-12 in the spring of 2017.

You don't have to be an official Congregationalist to come to camp! Friends from other denominational backgrounds are always welcome. However, please understand this is a Christian camp, and the program and activities will reflect that tradition.

## What is WCA Camp all about?

WCA Camp is about strengthening connections of friendship, fellowship and faith — with yourself, with others, with scripture and, most of all, with God. If you're interested in strengthening these connections while having lots of fun and meeting new friends, you'll have an awesome time!

## What do you do at camp?

<u>Faith</u> Worship & Singing Small Group Discussion Campfires Cabin Devotions Bible Study Communion Personal Reflection	<u>Fellowship</u> Stargazing Nature Hikes Organized Activities Free Time Games Random Dancing Deck Party	<u>Fun</u> Swimming Volleyball Ropes Course Arts & Crafts Soccer Ultimate Frisbee Disc Golf
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...and much more!

Questions about camp? Contact the WCA Youth & Camp Committee Chair:

Abby Cole  
abbyc05@gmail.com  
(414) 559-2011

# DETAILS

## When is camp?

WCA Camp 2017 is the week of Sunday, July 9 through Saturday, July 15.

Registration/Check-In is from 3 - 4 p.m. Sunday, July 9.  
Departure/Pick-Up is at noon Saturday, July 15.

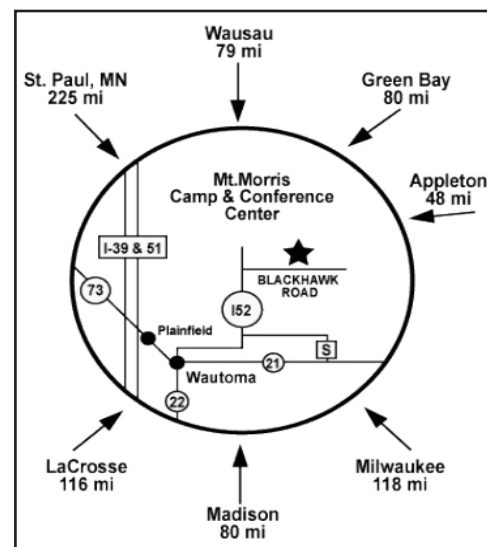
Campers and their families are asked to adhere to the above times. Be advised if you arrive early, camp will not open before 3 p.m.

The camp leaders place a high value on campers being together for the entirety of the week-long program. Any late arrivals or early departures will need to be approved in advance, at the discretion of the WCA Youth & Camp Committee Chair.

## Where is camp?

Mt. Morris Camp & Conference Center  
W6016 Blackhawk Road  
P.O. Box 676  
Wautoma, WI 54982

Check out Mt. Morris online: [www.mt-morris.org](http://www.mt-morris.org)



## What is ropes?

The ropes course is a series of physical adventure challenges requiring a combination of teamwork skills and individual commitment. The Ropes Course Consent Forms should be completed by Senior High level campers who may want to participate in ropes activities. Mail all three parts with your registration. If you submit a Ropes Course Consent Form and then later on choose not to participate that's OK, but you must have a form on file to participate.

# PROGRAMS

## Mini Kamp

Director: Rev. Julie Sheridan Smith

Program: Life's A Jungle

Mini Kamp will look at the "Bare Necessities" of life and how being part of a "pack" or community helps us know and share God's love with others. Activities, games, crafts, skits and discussions will help us explore how our relationship with God and each other makes us all stronger.

## Junior High

Director: Tonia Wallner

Program: Power of Connection

Junior high campers will examine the connections they make in their daily lives, and how these connections form the foundation of strong and meaningful relationships. With the ease of connecting to the world through technology in today's society, our focus will be on the power of connecting at a deeper, more personal level, not on a gadget. We will explore connections with family, friends, peers, neighbors, and most importantly, our connection with God.

## Senior High

Director: Jeni Branum

Program: Find Your Truth

Senior high campers will explore their own beliefs, recognizing how individual perspectives shape the way we move through the world. In true Congregational form, we will uncover the beautiful notion that, despite our individual versions of spiritual Truth, we can live in love and unity.

Camp Administrator: Emily Campbell

# REGISTRATION

## 2017 Camp Rates

\*rates **include** \$50 non-refundable deposit due with registration.

Registration & deposit postmarked on or before:	May 1	June 15
Weekly rate:	\$375	\$475



The weekly rate covers costs of lodging, meals, snacks, activities, program supplies and staff.

1. Submit Camp Registration Form + \$50 deposit online via [wiscongregational.net/youth](http://wiscongregational.net/youth).
2. Download Health Forms and bring completed to camp with copy of vaccination records. \*Note: Doctor Forms must be completed by a physician, physician's assistant or nurse practitioner. If your last physical took place before July 15, 2015, you will need another.
3. If you are in Senior High and think you might want to participate in high ropes course, download the Ropes Course Consent Form and bring completed to camp.

OR print and mail forms + \$50 deposit check made payable to "WCA" to:

Abby Cole  
c/o WCA  
7026 Grand Parkway  
Wauwatosa, WI 53213

Abby will email you to confirm receipt of your registration + deposit and balance due.

BALANCE IS DUE IN FULL **AT CAMP** (we strongly encourage online payment).

SPACE IS LIMITED AND LATE REGISTRANTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER **JUNE 15** WITHOUT PERMISSION FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR.

## Scholarships

The Clayton Wakefield Memorial Fund provides partial scholarships to cover the cost of camp. Last year, scholarships made it possible for eight youth to have a life-changing experience at camp. The WCA encourages families to apply if the cost of camp is a concern. Application forms are available online and should be submitted along with your registration. Additional financial assistance may be offered through your congregation — inquire with your youth leader.

# WHAT TO PACK

## **Necessities**

- Clothing: shirts; shorts; jeans; socks; underwear; sweatshirts; jacket; jammies
- Shoes: sneakers, sandals (footwear must be worn except in cabin or pool!)
- Dressy outfit for banquet Friday night
- Sleeping bag and pillow (or sheets with warm blanket)
- Towels & toiletries: soap, toothbrush/paste, deodorant, shower gear, etc.
- Flashlight, sunscreen & bug spray
- Your Bible!!

## **Suggestions**

- Rain poncho or umbrella; hat or cap; frisbees; other sports equipment
- Sunglasses; swimming suit; table or window fans
- Camera and watch (PHONES MAY ONLY BE USED IN CABINS DURING FREE TIME!)
- Cash \$\$\$ for snack bar and souvenirs

## **Not suggested**

We **STRONGLY** advise you to leave all electronics at home. The WCA will not be liable for any lost, stolen or damaged items. This includes (but is not limited to):

- Bluetooth speakers; headphones; other music equipment
- Cell phones; laptops; tablets; portable gaming devices

## **Not allowed**

- Cigarettes; tobacco products; lighters; matches; other flame producers
- Alcoholic beverages; drugs or drug paraphernalia (except necessary meds)
- Firearms; ammunition; knives; hunting equipment; weapons of any kind
- Firecrackers; fireworks; explosives of any kind
- Hoverboards; rollerblades; skateboards; scooters; bikes or motorcycles
- Food (with the exception of cereal which must be kept in the dining hall)\*\*\*
- Any clothing that might be deemed suggestive or inappropriate
- Air conditioners
- PETS

All mail for campers and staff should be sent to:

CAMPER'S NAME  
c/o Mt. Morris Camp & Conference Center  
W6016 Blackhawk Road  
P.O. Box 676  
Wautoma, WI 54982

\*\*\*Food allergies and dietary restrictions will be accommodated by dining hall\*\*\*

# EXPECTATIONS

All campers are expected to respect fellow campers, camp staff and the campgrounds. This means each camper is expected to participate in all scheduled activities to the best of their ability unless excused by a staff member. Campers may not leave the campgrounds without staff permission. Also, campers may not enter a cabin assigned to the opposite gender.

Futhermore, indecent exposure, abusive language, disturbance of another's sleep, violation of another's privacy and/or property, and abuse of the campgrounds and facilities will not be tolerated, and may result in the camper in question being sent home immediately.

Campers are expected to respect and obey all instructions from camp staff.

## When you arrive:

Your Camp Registration Form should have been submitted online or mailed in advance along with your \$50 deposit. At check-in you will need to turn in:

- Completed Health Forms, vaccination records and signed Doctor Forms
- Completed Ropes Course Forms, if you plan to participate (Senior High only)
- Your final balance due — checks made payable to "WCA"

All forms are available to download online via [wiscongregational.net/youth](http://wiscongregational.net/youth). Payment in full can also be submitted online before camp. Any camper who does not have completed Registration, Health and Doctor Forms cannot stay at camp and will need to return home.

Any medication — prescription or over-the-counter — must be turned in to the camp nurse, along with written instructions regarding dispensation. All prescription meds must be in their original container with the physician's name, camper's name, type of medication and dosage clearly marked.

We strongly advise against campers driving themselves to and from camp. Those who do must surrender their keys to the administrator. Campers will not be permitted to operate vehicles during camp.

The following information is provided for emergencies only.  
Campers will otherwise not have access to the office phone, fax machine or computers.

Toll free: 1.888.MTMORRIS

Fax: 920.787.0072

Email: [mtmorris@bugnet.net](mailto:mtmorris@bugnet.net)