



Great Hollow Nature Preserve Eco-Discovery Camp

Camper Behavior Contract For _____

Parents/Guardians and Campers should review the camp behavior contract so we can work towards creating a fun and safe summer experience for everybody.

Camp Behavior Rules & Expectations:

1. Respect

- ☐ Treat everybody, including fellow campers, counselors, and visitors to Great Hollow, with kindness and respect. This includes respecting other's feelings and differences, avoiding inappropriate language, and keeping your hands to yourself.
- ☐ Respect nature including all of the animals and plants that call Great Hollow home. Do not touch any wild animal without the expressed permission of a counselor. Do not climb trees or intentionally harm any other plants. Leave the wild in the wild; do not take any plants or animals home.
- ☐ Respect the property of Great Hollow. This includes all materials provided by camp and structures.
- ☐ Be the boss of your body. Nobody gets to make you feel unsafe and you don't get to make anybody else feel unsafe. If someone is behaving in a way that upsets you, ask them to stop. If they continue this behavior, please let a counselor know. If someone is making you feel unsafe at any time, please let a counselor know right away.
- ☐ Ask for help from a counselor when you have a problem or see others facing an issue

2. Safety

- ☐ Do not climb on top of tables, stone walls, trees, or other structures
- ☐ Do not run indoors, on the trails, or the pavement
- ☐ Do not use supplied materials in ways other than their intended uses
- ☐ Use common sense; if something feels unsafe then it probably is

3. Responsibility

- ☐ Campers are responsible for their own personal belongings. All personal belongings should be kept in their designated cubby or, when appropriate, the refrigerator.
- ☐ Campers are responsible for cleaning up after themselves. This includes putting away all recreational equipment, arts and craft supplies, disposing of trash in designated bins, and ensuring all personal belongings are put away after their use.

☐ Accidents & mistakes happen! If you spill something you are expected to clean it up. If you need help, please ask a counselor. If you accidentally break something, please let a counselor know. If you accidentally hurt someone or their feelings, apologize.

3. Cooperation

☐ Follow directions and go with the flow

☐ Stay with the group! We move as a unit and expect campers to not run ahead of adults while on the trail. Do not wander off- you must stay within the sightlines of counselors in your group.

☐ Have fun and be willing to try

Campers Will Avoid the Following Behaviors:

1. Fighting, rough housing or engaging in unsafe behavior
2. Threatening or bullying anybody, or joining in when others are bullying somebody.
3. Sharing or trading food
4. Taking things that don't belong to them
5. Being disrespectful to staff or other campers. This includes name calling or being intentionally mean.
6. Bringing any weapons to camp
7. Not listening to staff

Failure to follow these expectations will result in an unsafe or unenjoyable atmosphere for you and others in the camp. Should that happen, the following consequences may occur:

1. Camp counselors will discuss the behavior with the parent/guardian
2. The child will be sent home immediately for the day
3. We reserve the right to remove anyone from camp who is not following the behavior and safety guidelines. Depending on the situation, campers may be barred from returning to camp.

NOTE: There are no refunds when a child's behavior requires he/she be sent home.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Child's Name and/or Signature: _____ Date: _____