

PARENT

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Lookout Mountain Camp
1465 Eleonore Street
New Orleans, LA 70115

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FAX: 504 - 861 - 1686



PACKAGE

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Lookout Mountain Camp
277 County Road 632
Mentone, AL 35984

TEL : 256 - 634 - 4758

FAX: 256 - 634 - 4758

“The South’s Grand Old Camp”

Since 1928

www.LookoutMountainCamp.com

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Dear Camper Parents,

Here is our Parent Package! It will soon be time for you to pack up your son for camp and we think this package can be very helpful. Our camp program is exciting and we want to make this a great summer for your son.

For your son's enjoyment, we request that you follow the guidelines in this package.

The information that follows is important and should answer many questions you may have.

~ PLEASE READ ALL OF THIS CAREFULLY. ~

If you have any other questions, please do not hesitate to call, write, or fax us.

CAMP DATES FOR 2012 ARE:

<u>FULL TERM:</u>	SUNDAY, JUNE 10, AT 2:00 P.M. (CDST) - SATURDAY, AUGUST 04 AT 10:00 A.M. (CDST) **
<u>1ST 2 WEEKS:</u> (NOTE FRIDAY CLOSING)	SUNDAY, JUNE 10, AT 2:00 P.M. (CDST) - FRIDAY, JUNE 22, AT 10:00 A.M. (CDST) **
<u>2ND 2 WEEKS:</u> (NOTE FRIDAY CLOSING)	SUNDAY, JUNE 24, AT 2:00 P.M. (CDST) - FRIDAY, JULY 06, AT 10:00 A.M. (CDST) **
<u>LAST 4 WEEKS:</u>	SUNDAY, JULY 08, AT 2:00 P.M. (CDST) - SATURDAY, AUGUST 04, AT 10:00 A.M. (CDST) **
<u>LAST 6 WEEKS:</u>	SUNDAY, JUNE 24, AT 2:00 P.M. (CDST) - SATURDAY, AUGUST 04, AT 10:00 A.M. (CDST) **

PLEASE OBSERVE THE ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE TIMES AND DATES TO ENSURE YOUR SON HAS A SMOOTH TRANSITION...BOTH ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE ARE FILLED WITH APPREHENSION AS WELL AS EXCITEMENT.

****FOR THOSE ARRIVING EAST OF CAMP...PLEASE REMEMBER THAT CAMP IS ON ...**

CENTRAL DAYLIGHT TIME

WHAT TO PACK FOR 2 WEEK SESSION
... IF STAYING FOR A LONGER SESSION, PLEASE PACK ACCORDINGLY...

1 DUFFEL BAG (**duffel bags preferred over foot lockers**)
12 SHORTS **
4 PR. LONG PANTS (JEANS OK)
2 SWEATER, JACKET OR SWEAT SHIRT **
12 "T" SHIRTS **
15 PAIR UNDERWEAR
15 PR. OF SOCKS
2 PR. TENNIS SHOES - **DO NOT BRING SANDALS**

SLEEPWARE / BATHROBE
1 BELT
2 SWIM SUITS
2 LAUNDRY BAGS **
1 RAINCOAT OR SLICKER
1 PAIR WATER SHOES

1 PILLOW
2 PILLOW CASES
2 SETS OF TWIN SHEETS
2 BLANKETS
8 TOWELS, 8 WASH CLOTHS

TOILETRIES **
FLASHLIGHT **
SLEEPING BAG
TENNIS RACKET * * *
BASEBALL GLOVE * * *
BUG SPRAY / SUN SCREEN **
STATIONERY AND STAMPED ENVELOPES **
MUSICAL INSTRUMENT (IF YOU PLAY)
WATER BOTTLE **
SCHOOL BACKPACK / DAYPACK

** AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT LMC STORE

* * * MAY BORROW LMC EQUIPMENT OR BRING YOUR OWN IF PREFERRED

MARKING AND PACKING

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO LABEL EVERYTHING.

All articles must be marked with name tags or laundry pen. No article will be sent to the laundry unless it is plainly marked (2 week sessions do not have laundry). Every effort will be made to identify and return lost articles prior to departure, however, we are not responsible for lost items. If you find you have lost something, please let us know as soon as possible as we do maintain a lost and found. If we find the item, it will be shipped home at your expense, so please make every effort to search for lost items prior to departure.

Articles unable to be identified will be donated to charity or otherwise disposed of two (2) weeks after camp has closed.

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO LABEL EVERYTHING. A quick way to mark camp clothes: have a stamp made with your child's name (available at office supply stores). Use indelible inkpad and stamp names on clothes, socks, underwear, etc. Large ("steamer") trunks must **not** be sent to camp. Only footlockers or duffel bags (preferred) are allowed in the cabins. No jewelry should be brought to camp.

CONTRABAND*^

PLEASE DO NOT SEND BOXES OF FOOD OR "PACKAGES" TO CAMP.

Lookout Mountain Camp does not allow packages to be sent. We will NOT deliver them. You may, however, order a package of approved items through the camp if you wish. Of course, magazines and letters are encouraged. If you need to send your son an item, please let us know of the contents or call ahead. All packages, boxes, etc. must be opened for inspection and all inappropriate contents (food, water balloons, etc.) will be confiscated and will not be delivered.

The following items should not be brought to camp:

- **DVD PLAYERS, ELECTRONIC GAMES, CELLULAR PHONES, IPODS, ETC.**
- SLING SHOT, KNIVES, PAINT BALL GUN, SHAVING CREAM
- JEWELRY, WATCHES, RINGS
- **ANY "MUSIC" (CD'S OR MP3) WITH VIOLENT OR VULGAR LANGUAGE ***
- ANY TYPE OF EDIBLES
- MONEY * (Please see next page)

Lookout Mountain Camp will not be responsible for any of these items at any time. They are easily lost, dropped, broken and/or misplaced. If your son arrives with any of these items, it is your responsibility.

MONEY

- * Your son does not need any money during his stay at LMC. An account for your son will be established and maintained. We request that all cash be turned into the Camp office upon arrival to be put in our safe. If your son does arrive with cash, he may go to the camp office and draw out against that balance for field trips only. Any balance that is left at the end of camp will be returned to him prior to his departure for home.

We suggest that you deposit the following amounts into your son's LMC account:

2 WEEK TERM	\$185.00
4 WEEK TERM	\$245.00
6 WEEK TERM	\$275.00
8 WEEK TERM	\$285.00

These funds will be kept for him to draw against and will be used for items purchased on field trips, laundry, camp wear, toiletries, camp photos, etc. available in our LMC store. Please advise LMC (on the STORE form) upon deposit of funds as to whether or not your son may charge over the deposited amount.

A FINAL ACCOUNTING WILL BE PRESENTED TO YOU AT THE END OF CAMP UPON YOUR ARRIVAL.

LAUNDRY



2 week campers will not have laundry sent out.

4 week campers (or longer) will have laundry sent every two weeks. The cost for 1 bundle is \$26.00...this includes pick-up and delivery on top of the mountain. This fee will be included in the final accounting mentioned above.

**ALL CREDITS DUE YOU OR OUTSTANDING BALANCES DUE US MUST BE SETTLED
PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FROM CAMP.
All cancellations after May 1st result in 100% forfeiture of camp fee.**

CLOTHING WE REQUIRE

On Sunday evenings all campers wear white LMC T-shirts and white LMC shorts. He will also need to wear these for his camp photo. White LMC T-shirts and shorts may be purchased at the LMC store upon your arrival. There are two LMC teams - GREENS and WHITES. All LMC clothing may also be purchased at the camp store.

OPTIONAL CAMP TRIPS OR ACTIVITIES

(weather and other conditions permitting)

<u>TRIP</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>SESSION</u>
Overnight Cloudland Canyon (or similar local area)	No Charge	1st 2, 2nd 2, last 4
Golf 9-hole / 18 hole	\$45.00 / \$60.00	1st 2, 2nd 2, last 4
*Smoky Mountain Camping Trip	\$345.00	last 4 – 7/25-28
**Fly Fishing Trip	\$220.00	last 4 – 7/20-22
Nantahala White Water Trip (raft or rubber kayak)	\$165.00	1st 2, 2nd 2, last 4
*Ocoee White Water Rafting Trip	\$185.00	1st 2, 2nd 2, last 4
Rappelling (on / off * campus)	No Charge	1st 2, 2nd 2, last 4

(Camp T-shirts must be worn on all off-campus trips.)

- * LMC Campers age 12 and older only
- ** All campers going on the fly fishing trip must provide a SS# for the fishing license on field trip form. The camp suggests that, generally, a maximum of 2 field trips per session is adequate.

**IF YOUR SON IS ATTENDING MORE THAN ONE SESSION, PLEASE INDICATE ON THE FIELD TRIP FORM
(enclosed) WHETHER HE WILL PARTICIPATE IN AN ACTIVITY WHEN REPEATED.**

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation and arrangements to and from camp are the responsibility of the parent. We do, however, provide shuttle service (see below) for those campers electing to arrive into the **BIRMINGHAM, AL** airport. Currently, Southwest Airlines has the only NON-STOP flights available into Birmingham. But that is subject to change.

PLEASE SELECT THE LATEST MORNING FLIGHT (arrival time after 11:00 am) FOR CAMPERS ARRIVING... AND THE AFTERNOON FLIGHT FOR CAMPERS RETURNING HOME.

Airport Transportation:

IMPORTANT: We cannot provide airport transportation service to any other location...AND...shuttle service is only available on the opening and closing session dates listed on the first page. There will be a shuttle reservation fee of \$120.00 one way and \$220.00 round trip for this service to the Birmingham airport. For those of you who wish to fly into camp and want to make shuttle reservations, you **MUST complete** and **return** to us the transportation form included in this packet indicating your son's flight arrangements & request for shuttle reservation.

If we do not have this form, we cannot offer shuttle service for your child.

Shuttle schedules are as follows: a.) All **opening sessions** – Shuttle arrives at Birmingham Airport at 9:30 a.m. and departs at or before 3:00 p.m., **CENTRAL Time.**

Airline Schedules change...we will adjust our shuttle arrival/departure times accordingly.

b.) All **closing sessions** - Shuttle departs from camp at 3:00 pm and arrives at airport at 5:00 pm, **CENTRAL time.** Shuttle departs from airport at 7:00 pm but **never** before all campers have boarded safely.

VERY IMPORTANT...We want your son to arrive safely as much as you. Any additional travel information should be FAXED (256-634-4758) or emailed to us (LookoutMountainCamp@gmail.com), *not called*, into camp. We ask all campers to turn in their airline tickets upon arrival. It would help us if you would remind your son to do this.

Transportation provided by Parents:

- a.) Please find travel directions listed below in this Parent Package.
- b.) Please observe the opening and closing times as the camp gates will be closed prior to those times.
- c.) If you are travelling from Eastern Daylight Time, note that all times listed are Central Daylight Time.**
- d.) If you wish to spend the night in the area, lodging information is provided below.
Please call early for your reservations as many of the camps have similar session dates.

PLACES TO STAY: (ALL WITHIN 20 MINUTES OF LMC)

Mtn. Laurel Inn (Bed & B'fast)	256-634-4673	Nippersink Lodge (on the river)	256-634-3610
Desoto State Park	256-845-5380	Winston Place (Bed & B'fast)	888-494-6786
Mentone Inn (Bed & B'fast)	800-455-7470	Raven Haven (Bed & B'fast)	256-634-4310
Day's Inn Fort Payne	256-845-2085	Holiday Inn Express (Fort Payne)	256-997-1020
Fort Payne Inn	256-845-0481	WoodHaven ValleyHead (Bed & B'fast)	256-635-6438
Econo Lodge - Fort Payne	256-845-4013	Mentone Springs Hotel (Bed & B'fast)	800-404-0100
Hampton Inn - Fort Payne	256-304-2600	Valhalla (B & B)	256-634-4006

GROUND TRANSPORTATION

If you are driving to camp, you will find the following directions helpful:

FROM ATLANTA, COLUMBUS, FLORIDA, ETC:

- 1.) Take I-75 north (out of Atlanta) to the "**Adairsville, Ga.**" exit and turn left at the exit toward Rome, Georgia
- 2.) You will come to a "T" in Rome, (Hwy 27), turn right onto the highway..Head toward "**Summerville**"..stay on 27
- 3.) Once in Summerville (after 1st light), veer left to "**Menlo**" (Hwy 48) and head up the mountain on Hwy 48
- 4.) Top of Mountain, go straight through caution light, stay on highway & go into Alabama (Hwy 48 changes to 117).
- 5.) App. 1 mile into Alabama, about 100 yards after crossing a small bridge over a creek, turn left at our sign and stay on the blacktop road for 1.5 miles to our entrance.

FROM BIRMINGHAM, MEMPHIS, NASHVILLE, MOBILE, MONTGOMERY, ETC.:

- 1.) Take I-59 north (coming from Birmingham, Mobile, Montgomery, New Orleans, etc.)
- 2.) Take I-59 south (coming from Memphis, Nashville, Chattanooga, etc.)
- 3.) North of Gadsden, South of Chattanooga... get off on Alabama exit 231
- 4.) Head toward "**Hammondville**" and "**Valley Head**" on highway 117 for app. 1 mile..
- 5.) In Hammondville, you will come to a "T" at red light, turn right, head toward yellow caution light
- 6.) In app. 150 yards, turn left (at yellow caution light) toward Valley Head, staying on Highway 117
- 7.) Go past Valley Head, staying on 117, and at fork, veer left (stay on highway 117)
- 8.) Cross over bridge, heading toward the mountain and go up the mountain to "**Mentone**"
- 9.) Go under & through yellow caution light, through Mentone, staying on Highway 117
- 10.) In app. 6 miles, look for our sign on the right at the end of a steep decline (If you enter Georgia, turn around!)
- 11.) Turn right at the Lookout Mountain Camp sign and stay on the blacktop road for 1.5 miles to the entrance.

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!!

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN CAMP FOR BOYS

My son is attending the



HEALTH FORM

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO CAMP BY JUNE 1ST.

Pages 1 and 2 are to be completed by the Parent.

Page 3 is to be completed by a physician.

Camper's Full Name

Birth Date _____ Height _____ Weight _____

Parent or Guardian _____ Phone () _____

Home Address _____

Street / Number _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Mother's Occupation _____ Work Phone () _____ Home Phone () _____

Father's Occupation _____ Work Phone () _____ Home Phone () _____

In an emergency, please notify: _____ Phone () _____

If above is ***not*** available in an emergency, please notify:

1.) NAME: _____ PHONE () _____

ADDRESS _____

2.) NAME: _____ PHONE () _____

ADDRESS _____

Name of Family Physician _____ Phone () _____

Name of Dentist/Orthodontist _____ Phone () _____

Name of Ophthalmologist/Optomestrist _____ Phone () _____

Date of last Physical Examination by a Physician _____ Name of Physician _____ Phone() _____

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN CAMP FOR BOYS DOES NOT PROVIDE OR OFFER MEDICAL INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR CAMPERS OR STAFF. Please attach a copy of your medical insurance card showing carrier and policy number, or please list below:

CARRIER: _____ **POLICY/GROUP #** _____

INSURED'S D.O.B. _____ **INSURED'S SOCIAL SECURITY #** _____

- CAMPERS CANNOT BE ADMITTED TO CAMP WITHOUT THE ABOVE INFORMATION! -

IMMUNIZATIONS

THIS MUST BE COMPLETED - PLEASE GIVE THE DATE (MONTH / YEAR) OF BASIC IMMUNIZATION AND MOST RECENT BOOSTER DATES:

VACCINES: _____ **YEAR OF BASIC IMMUNIZATION** _____ **YEAR OF LAST BOOSTER:** _____

Diphtheria _____

Pertussis (Whooping Cough) _____

Tetanus _____

Oral Polio (Sabin) TOPV _____

Injectable Polio (Salk) _____

Measles (hard measles, red measles, Rubeola) _____

Tuberculin test given (Most recent date) _____

Other Vaccines (list type) _____

**A HEALTH EXAMINATION WITHIN THE PAST 24 MONTHS
IS REQUIRED TO ATTEND CAMP.**

HEALTH EXAMINATION

Date Examined: _____

I have examined the camp applicant within the past 24 months. In my opinion the applicant's condition
does _____, **does not** _____, permit his participation in an active camp program.
(please check one)

The camper is under the care of a Physician for the following condition(s):

Condition:	Current Medication:	If to be continued at camp, specify dosage or treatment:
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Explanation of any reported loss of consciousness, convulsion or concussion: _____

Does Camper have Diabetes? _____ Yes _____ No Does Camper have Epilepsy? _____ Yes _____ No

Medically prescribed meal plan or dietary restrictions: _____

Allergies (food, drug, plants, insects, etc.) _____

Additional Health Information: _____

Licensed Physician's Signature _____ Phone Number () _____

Address _____
number / streetcitystatezip code

Date Form was Completed ____/____/____

*BY _____
*Initial if completed by Nurse or Physician's Assistant

FOR LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN CAMP USE ONLY - DO NOT WRITE ON THIS PAGE

Within 24 hours of arrival at camp examine and assess health status of camper:

OBSERVATION: (problems only)

- _____ Check for cuts, scratches, or other lesions
- _____ Examined ears and throat for redness, swelling or discharge
- _____ Examined ears, neck, and throat for tenderness and masses
- _____ Examined hair for evidence of pediculosis
- _____ Other _____

Special physical observations and/or other pertinent comments: _____

Screening Date _____

Screened By: _____

Record of any medications brought to camp:

Medications returned to camper:

INDIVIDUAL PATIENT RECORD

DATE	TIME in/out	NATURE OF ILLNESS	PARENTS NOTIFIED?	TREATMENT OR DISPOSITION
_____ / _____	_____ a.m. / p.m.	_____	_____	_____
_____ / _____	_____ a.m. / p.m.	_____	_____	_____
_____ / _____	_____ a.m. / p.m.	_____	_____	_____
_____ / _____	_____ a.m. / p.m.	_____	_____	_____
_____ / _____	_____ a.m. / p.m.	_____	_____	_____
_____ / _____	_____ a.m. / p.m.	_____	_____	_____

Other Comments _____

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN CAMP – 2012

- FIELD TRIP FORM -

OFF CAMPUS FIELD TRIP PERMISSION FORM

The camp suggests that, generally, a maximum of 2 field trips per session is adequate.

CAMPER NAME: _____

CAMPER SS#: _____ - _____ - _____

SESSION DATES: FROM _____ TO _____

PHONE NUMBER WHERE WE MAY REACH YOU: _____

SELECT THE OUT OF CAMP TRIPS IN WHICH YOU WANT YOUR SON TO PARTICIPATE...

Please check:

	<u>Sessions</u>	<u>Park fees / charges</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> * I would like my son to participate in any field trip he chooses. * (Checking this means that your son has your permission to go on any trip he chooses, without any additional authorization from you.)	All Sessions	
<input type="checkbox"/> I would like my son to participate in the Overnight Cloudland Canyon.	All Session -	\$0.00 / trip
<input type="checkbox"/> I would like my son to participate in the 9-hole Golf trip.	All Sessions -	\$45.00 / trip
<input type="checkbox"/> I would like my son to participate in the 18 -hole Golf trip.	All Sessions -	\$60.00 / trip
<input type="checkbox"/> * I would like my son to participate in the Smoky Mountain Camping Trip. *7/25-28	Last 4 weeks -	\$345.00 / trip
<input type="checkbox"/> ** I would like my son to participate in the Fly Fishing Trip. **7/20-22	Last 4 weeks -	\$220.00 / trip
<input type="checkbox"/> I would like my son to participate in the Nantahala White Water Trip. (raft or rubber kayak)	All Sessions -	\$165.00 / trip
<input type="checkbox"/> * I would like my son to participate in the Ocoee White Water Rafting Trip. *	All Sessions -	\$185.00 / trip
<input type="checkbox"/> * I would like my son to participate in rappelling. (on or off *campus)	All Sessions -	\$0.00 / trip

SIGNED: _____

PARENT OR GUARDIAN

(ALL FIELD TRIPS SUBJECT TO WEATHER.)

* AGE REQUIREMENT – SEE PARENT PACKAGE.

**SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER REQUIRED FOR FISHING LICENSE

PLEASE RETURN THIS TO US AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WITH THE HEALTH FORM.

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN CAMP - 2012

AIR RESERVATION FORM - SHUTTLE RESERVATION FORM

PLEASE RETURN FORM AND PAYMENT TO:

(before May 15)
LOOKOUT MT. CAMP
1465 ELEONORE STREET
NEW ORLEANS, LA. 70115
504-861-5304 ... (fax) 504-861-1686
email LookoutMountainCamp@gmail.com

(after May 15)
LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN CAMP
277 COUNTY ROAD 623
MENTONE, AL 35984
256-634-4758 (phone or fax, same #)
email LookoutMountainCamp@gmail.com

CAMPER 'S NAME _____ Session Dates: From _____ To _____
(Please Print Camper's First and Last Name)

AIR RESERVATION

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Camper _____ will arrive in the Birmingham Airport
(name)

On Flight No. _____ on _____ Airlines at _____
(FLIGHT #) (CARRIER) Time a.m. / p.m.

Date of Arrival is: _____

Return Flight is scheduled from Birmingham Airport on _____
Date

The Flight No. is _____ on _____ Airlines at _____
(FLIGHT #) (CARRIER) Time a.m. / p.m.

Person greeting camper at end of return flight is: _____

Emergency Phone Number: _____
HomeWho? Cell.....Who?

SHUTTLE RESERVATION

I REQUEST A SHUTTLE RESERVATION FOR THE CAMPER LISTED ABOVE: (check one)

___ FROM Birmingham Airport on opening session (for all flights between 9:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.)

___ TO Birmingham Airport at closing of session (for all flights between 12:00 noon and 6:45 p.m.)

___ TO AND FROM Birmingham Airport at beginning and end of my session (same times as above)

Check must be enclosed for ground fare:

One Way Round Trip
\$120.00 \$220.00

THREE GREAT WAYS TO TELL YOUR CHILD TO...



"HAVE FUN AT CAMP!"
LMC CAMPER PACKAGES!



3 Fun Packages to choose from.
Price ranges \$35, \$45, or \$60.

Each package includes multiple AGE APPROPRIATE fun games and toys for your child while he is at camp.

Campers LOVE these!

The sooner it's ordered...the sooner it's delivered.

Order your package early...
so that he can enjoy it early in his session.
Each package is attached and delivered with a personal note from you!

We'll arrange this for you...

Complete this form, then mail it to camp, fax it or order by calling

(256) 634 - 4758

(same Telephone #, fax or call.....mailing address is - 277 County Road 632 - Mentone, AL 35984)

~ ORDER BELOW ~

Parent Name or Sender: _____ Camper: _____ Age _____

Session Dates: _____ to _____ [Cabin# _____ (If You Know) / Team: ___ Green ___ White]

Package Size (Check One): _____ Small (\$35) _____ Medium (\$45) _____ Large (\$60)

Credit Card # _____ Exp. Date _____

(Check One): Visa _____ MasterCard _____ Card Owner: _____
(Name on Card)

Signature: _____

Personal Note:

HERE ARE SOME COMMONLY ASKED QUESTIONS REGARDING CAMP:

"DOES THE CAMP HAVE A CLOTHING STORE?"

The camp maintains a clothing store where you may purchase T-shirts, shorts, laundry bags, etc. Order blanks are enclosed in this "Parent Package" to allow you to pre-order clothing. Please send the clothing order back to camp with your other materials from this package. Because of the time period that it takes to re-order clothing from the company, there are many items that we are not able to re-order during the summer. When we run out of these items, we cannot restock it. For this reason, it's best if you use our clothing order to pre-order items you wish to have. Your son can receive his clothing items on Opening Day. If we run out of certain items before you arrive and we cannot supply the item while your son is with us, we will gladly refund your money by check following the session the camper attends. The Store will be open on each Opening Day. At this time, you can purchase any items that were not pre-ordered.

"CAN WE BRING HIM TO CAMP EARLIER OR DEPART LATER THAN THE SPECIFIED DATE?"

Please do not plan to have your son arrive early or stay late unless absolutely necessary. We are not prepared to give campers the attention necessary because of staff time-off, pre-session meetings, and work assignments prior to the opening of a session. Under extreme circumstances, we will allow an early arrival because we understand that some things cannot be helped. **There will be a \$100.00 per day charge for early arrivals and late departures.** There are no late departures after the last term or early arrivals prior to the first term.

"WHERE CAN WE STAY WHEN WE BRING HIM OR PICK HIM UP FROM CAMP?"

The camp is not equipped to feed Parents, Grandparents, and friends of the campers. However, there are accommodations in the Mentone and Fort Payne area. A list is enclosed in this package with the names and phone numbers of a few of the local motels and bed-and-breakfast places. **We strongly suggest that you make your reservations early...**remember, most of the camps end and begin at roughly the same time, so rooms fill up fast during the summer.

"WHAT DO I DO IF I RECEIVE A "HOMESICK" LETTER?"

Homesickness is a common occurrence. It is natural and it happens to each and every one of us, to varying degrees. Whenever we think about home, a grandparent, a friend, etc. it is perfectly normal to become emotional about such matters. After all, campers are required to write letters home at least twice a week, so at the very minimum he will be thinking of home at that time. From our end, we are prepared to spot and handle homesickness so that it will not interfere with your son's stay with us. From your end, please realize that if you receive a homesick letter, by the time it has been delivered to you it has been three or more days since it was written. Chances are that the event or feelings you are reading about are "ancient" history in terms of how time is measured at camp. Friends have been made, routines have set in, goals have been placed in sight and are being attained. If you just *...can't stand it...*, call us. We'll be happy to talk to you and you can talk to his counselor if you wish, ***but we must ask you to please consider carefully any request to talk to your son personally.*** A boy can be in the midst of having a wonderful time only to be called away for the telephone upon which he hears his Mom's or Dad's voice and it sets him back to thinking about why he was homesick three days ago. Remember..., if there was anything seriously wrong, we would have called you! On a final note, a boy who overcomes homesickness has gained a little strength, a little maturity and a little insight into how to handle his feelings. He doesn't know why, but he now feels better about himself.

Please see this link: <http://vodpod.com/watch/4267756-cbs-sunday-morning-kids-letters-from-camp>