



# Summer Camp 2010

## Bunking Arrangements

### **Are campers bunked by age?**

No – They are bunked by church group, by request, or at random.

### **What is the counselor to camper ratio?**

One counselor for every thirteen to fifteen kids in the bunkhouses.

## Supervision

### **Who is on staff during camp?**

The camp is staffed with a professional resident director, food service personnel, trained counselors, a medical team, and 24-hour security. Special precautions are taken during water activities and certified lifeguards are on duty.

### **Are campers always supervised?**

Yes – A counselor accompanies them 24 hours a day.

### **How do you pick your counselors?**

Along with checking two personal references and one pastoral reference, each applicant is carefully screened and hand-picked by the Camp Director.

### **How are the campers disciplined?**

First time – warning. Second time – miss activity. Third time – sent to the Camp Director. Continued disobedience may result in dismissal from camp.

## Phone Calls, Mail, and Visitors

### **May I call my child at camp?**

We are fully aware of our great responsibility in the care of your child. In case of an emergency, you will be notified immediately. Out of consideration for other campers and planned activities, incoming calls are not allowed except in case of emergency. Should campers need to contact parents, calls can be made through the camp office.

### **Can I reach someone at camp any time of the day or night in case of an emergency?**

Yes – The emergency number is (918) 785-2850. EMERGENCY ONLY.

### **What do you do for homesick kids? Do you let them call home?**

Yes – Campers are allowed to call home. Campers who become homesick and leave their camp session early are not eligible for refunds. If a camper leaves camp for any reason, it is the responsibility of the parents to provide transportation home. The camp will not be held responsible for travel expenses incurred in picking up the child.

### **Can campers receive mail during their stay?**

Yes – If you wish to send mail to your campers while they are at Dry Gulch, please send it a few days before the session begins. You can send it to **572 Dry Gulch Rd, Adair, OK 74330-3004**. It is very important that you indicate your child's first & last name and session date on the envelope. Due to the excessive amounts of email and limited amount of time at mail-call, Dry Gulch no longer accepts emails for campers.

### **Does Dry Gulch allow visitors?**

Dry Gulch, U.S.A. maintains a 24-hour security staff and restricts access to workers and campers. All visitors need to be approved and must schedule their visit in advance by calling 918-785-2156. Visiting hours are from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. for evening chapel service only. VISITORS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND OTHER ACTIVITIES. No children under 7 years old are allowed.

## **Adult Sponsors**

### **Can adult sponsors do activities with kids?**

Yes – Sponsors can participate in activities with the kids, but are not required to do so. Campers are overseen by our trained Dry Gulch staff, not by adult sponsors. The hospitality center with internet service for your laptop and private phone booths will be available. Sponsors can play in our recreation area and relax during meal times in our sponsors' private dining room.

### **Where do sponsors stay?**

Sponsors are housed in adult male or female bunkhouses, not with the kids in their group. Groups will receive one apartment for every 50 paid campers. Sponsors' children are allowed to stay at Dry Gulch only if they are registered campers and they must bunk in the children's bunkhouse. No children under 7 or over 12 are allowed. There are no accommodations for RV's or tents.

### **Does Dry Gulch require a background check on adult sponsors?**

Yes – Adult sponsors must have a background check approved by the Registration Office, no exceptions.

## **Medical Information**

### **Is there a nurse available at all times?**

Yes – Nurses are on staff 24 hours a day.

### **Which medications should my child bring to camp?**

Prescription medications should be in the original bottle with only the amount needed for the camper's length of stay at Dry Gulch. All prescription bottles should come in a Ziploc bag with a completed Dry Gulch Medication Label attached to it. All inhalers, nasal sprays, and Epipens must be in the prescription box with label and must NOT be expired. Over-the-counter medications brought to camp will not be accepted at check-in. If an exception needs to be made for campers taking Claritin, Zyrtec, Miralax, etc., please call the Registration Office for an OTC Medication Authorization Form. No vitamins or herbs will be accepted without a doctor's note.

### **Do you give kids pain reliever if needed?**

Yes – Designated medical staff is available at the Nurses' Station to dispense over-the-counter medication as needed.

### **Does my child have to turn in his medicine even if he knows when to take it and how much?**

Campers are allowed to bring prescription medications, but these must be turned in to the nurse at check-in (this includes inhalers).

### **Are feminine products available at camp?**

Yes – The nurse has a supply of feminine products.

### **How close is the nearest hospital?**

Ten miles.

### **Are you able to provide special dietary needs such as no sugar, no candy, nothing with red dye in it, no fried foods, etc.?**

Yes – If the child is under medical supervision by a doctor or allergic reaction is known. To ensure special needs are met, please call the food service manager at least two weeks prior to the child's camp arrival. An adult sponsor from your group may be required to prepare the camper's special meals.

### **Can parents send special food to replace sweets?**

Special foods can be sent only if medically necessary. Snacks are not allowed in the bunkhouses and would therefore need to be turned in by the counselor to the General Store or the kitchen.

### **Are washing machines available for campers that wet the bed?**

If the child tells the counselor, the housekeeping staff will clean up while the kids are out.

### **Do you have accommodations for children with special needs?**

Yes – Please call the Registration Office for more information about the Buckaroo Program.

## **Chapel Services**

### **How many times a day do you have chapel services?**

We have chapel twice daily: once in the morning and once in the evening.

### **What denomination is Dry Gulch, U.S.A.?**

Non-denominational (see our Statement of Faith).

## **Activities**

### **What are specific activities the campers will be doing?**

Campers will be involved in a variety of activities including swimming, canoeing, horseback riding, basketball, go-karts, waterslides, inflatable games, banana ride, inner tube riding, obstacle courses, bumper cars, riding the carousel, and the old-fashioned steam-engine train, etc.

### **What do the kids do if it rains?**

Play in the game room, play on inflatable games, or watch movies.

## **Spending Money**

### **How much money do they need to bring?**

Most campers bring \$25 - \$30 for daily snacks and souvenirs.

### **How many times are kids allowed to go to the General Store?**

Campers are allowed one trip to the store during the camp session to shop for souvenirs. Snacks are ordered and received once daily (one beverage and one food item per day).

### **Do kids keep their own money at camp?**

No – Their money will be collected upon arrival at camp and placed on account in the General Store. All transactions will be made on account and remaining money will be returned to campers at check-out time.