

2020 Camper Handbook

Important Information for Parents/Caregivers

Check-in is an important process, and in order for us to best serve you and meet the needs of your child, please be prepared for the following:

Arrival to Camp: Arrive at your scheduled check-in time ONLY. Check-in times are outlined below.

1:00pm-1:30pm: Last names beginning A-B

1:30pm-2:00pm: Last names beginning C-G

2:00pm-2:30pm: Last names beginning H-K

2:30pm-3:00pm: Last names beginning L-M

3:00pm-3:30pm: Last names beginning N-S

3:30pm-4:00pm: Last names beginning R-Z

We cannot accept early registrants, and we apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

Check-In Process: Stay with your camper for the FULL duration of the check-in process, which includes initial registration, medication check-in, health screening, and cabin check-in. To make sure that we know your camper and are prepared to meet all of his or her needs, this process will take 1 to 2 hours.

Please pack your camper's back-up equipment and medication in separate bags/containers from his/her other items. You will be asked to turn medication in to the nurse and back-up equipment into the Hear Indiana staff. For this reason, it will make the process run more smoothly for you and your camper if you have these items separated from items that will remain with your camper in the cabin.

Check-Out Process: If you plan to attend the award ceremony (from 10:00-11:00 AM), please arrive at 9:40 am. All campers must be picked up by 11am.

Letters to your camper: Mail is a great thing to receive at camp. Please keep it positive and uplifting. It does take a few days to reach camp- you may want to mail any letters prior to your child's departure for camp. Mail clearly marked with the camper's name may be sent to:

Attn: *Camper's Name*
Happy Hollow Camp
3049 Happy Hollow Rd.
Nashville, IN 47448

Alternatively, you can hand deliver the letters, marked with the day you would like them delivered, at check-in. Staff members will collect the letters and deliver them to your camper on the day indicated.

Please note: while we encourage you to write letters, packages and gifts (including candy) should not be sent/left for your camper. If a gift or package is received it will remain in the main office or with Hear Indiana staff until camper check-out.

No Nit Policy: Head lice is a communicable disease and can be spread to others: The no nit policy is a public health standard intended to keep children lice free, nit free, in school, camp, and other areas where children gather. On opening day at check-in all campers will be screened for head lice. Any camper found with head lice or nits will not be able to go to camp. For more information and proper treatment procedures about head lice please visit www.ridlice.com or call 1-800-RID-LICE.

Supplies and Medication: Please send enough medical supplies, personal care supplies, and clothing for the entire duration of the camper's stay. Please label all items with your camper's name.

****IMPORTANT: ALL medication must be in original bottles. This includes over the counter medication. Medication not in an original bottle cannot be left at camp and cannot be given to your child over the course of camp. Original packaging means no medication in substitute bottles, no combined medications in the same bottle, no medication in baggies. The label on the bottle or box must match the orders by the physician on your camper's medical form.***

What to Bring to Camp

- Clothing (shorts, shirts, underwear, socks) for 6 days
- Swim Suit
- Two pairs of shoes
 - One pair of athletic shoes
 - One pair of water shoes OR second pair of athletic shoes
- Jeans or long pants
- Jacket or raincoat with a hood
- Toiletries (soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, deodorant)
- Towels (for swimming & shower) & washcloth
- Sleeping bag or bedroll
- Sheets & blankets
- Pillow
- Flashlight & batteries
- Hat and/or bandana (to protect from sun)
- Sunscreen and insect repellent
- Medications (in original packaging)
- Water bottle
- Disposable camera
- Hearing aids/cochlear implants
- Back-up devices
- Device batteries
- Battery charger
- Dry and store (electronic preferred)

- Swim cap if bringing a waterproof device*

**Please note: Every camper that will be wearing a waterproof device must wear some type of cap over his or her devices in the water. If a swim cap is not provided, purchase of a swim cap at registration will be necessary in order to use waterproof devices during camp.*

**If you need assistance getting supplies, please let Hear Indiana know.*

**Please make sure that the camper's name is written on all clothing and equipment.*

What NOT to Bring to Camp

In order to ensure the safest environment for our campers and our staff, Happy Hollow reserves the right to search campers' belongings at any time during their stay with us if we feel a situation warrants such action. Failure to comply with these policies may result in the camper's release from camp. It will make everyone's stay more safe and enjoyable if the following items are not brought to camp. If a camper brings a phone or other electronics to camp, they will be held by Hear Indiana staff until pick up. Your assistance with this is greatly appreciated. If your camper uses their phone to make programming changes to their hearing aids and/or cochlear implants please reach out to Hear Indiana staff prior to camp. We will work with you and your camper to find a workable solution, however your camper will not be allowed to have their phone in their cabin or on their person.

- Alcohol, tobacco, other drugs
- Weapons of any kind (including pocket knives)
- Cell Phones (strictly enforced)
- Fireworks
- iPods
- MP3 Players
- Computers
- Electric gaming devices (Gameboys, PlayStation Portables, etc.)
- Personal Sports Equipment
- Food or snacks
- Gang apparel

**Please remember ALL medications (including medicated shampoos, creams, aspirin, etc.) MUST be checked in with our medical staff during the registration process. ALL medications must remain in their original bottles.*

Award Ceremony is Friday at 10:00am

Please arrive by 9:40am to park and make your way to the dining hall. If you cannot attend the Awards Ceremony, please arrive no later than 11:00am to pick up your camper.

IMPORTANT: Please bring your photo ID to pick-up your child!