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Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry provides opportunities for Christ-centered spiritual growth, leadership development, and outreach in God's great northwoods!

We are excited to welcome campers back to camp this summer! The information below will help your family prepare for the summer adventures that await at Camp Hiawatha and Camp Vermilion. Any additional updates will come via email and you are welcome to check out our website for more information as well www.VLMcamps.org.

Registration

Seekers/ Trekkers/Explorers/Sojourners/Lost- Sunday between 3:00 pm and 4:30 pm.

Venturers- Between 9:00am and 9:30 am on the first day of the program.

Discoverers- Between 9:00 am and 9:30 am on their day of camp.

If you will be arriving after the designated registration time, please contact us in advance. Parents are invited to stay and enjoy the camp, but are also free to leave once their child has met his or her counselor and are settled into the cabin.

To Keep registration moving, we ask that you finalize payments and canteen deposits before arriving.

Please bring the following with you:

- Registration fee balance still owed and any money for Canteen (weeklong programs only)
- Medications- these should be in the original container with the camper's name and dosage instructions clearly printed. Medications not in the original container will not be accepted

An email will be sent two weeks prior to your camp start with reminders and any additional details.

Closing

Parents, friends, and family are welcome to join us for our closing programs.

Seekers/ Trekkers/Explorers/Sojourners/Lost- 11:30 am Fridays

Discoverers and **Venturers-** 4:00 pm on the final day of their camp session

These programs are held outdoors and families are encouraged to bring chairs, blankets, etc. Following the program, families will check out their camper from the cabin counselor, and the canteen will be open for last minute purchases.

Canteen (Camp Store)-

All week- long campers have the opportunity to visit the canteen during the week. The canteen includes snack and beverage items, as well as a wide variety of clothing and souvenirs. An account of monies deposited for campers online or at registration will be used for their purchases and the balance of their account is refunded on the final day of camp.

For snacks and beverages, \$10-15 per camper should cover a week of camp. If your child is interested in purchasing clothing or other souvenirs, here are some prices to help you decide on an amount:

T-shirts \$10-15, Sweatshirts- \$20-\$35, Souvenirs-\$2-\$15 (includes water bottles, hats, bracelets, etc.)

The canteen will also be open after the Closing Program.

Connect with your Camper

We encourage parents to send mail/emails to their camper during the week. Please use the following addresses to avoid delays in delivery (Please address your envelope or email with your campers name):

Contacting the Camp

Camp Hiawatha office

218-246-8604

Hiawatha@vlmcamps.org

Camp Vermilion office

218-666-5834

Vermilion@vlmcamps.org

Camp Hiawatha
36944 Camp Hiawatha Road
Deer River, MN 56636

Camp Vermilion
2555 Vermilion Camp Road
Cook, MN 557

*Directions to our sites can be found at
www.vlmcamps.org/contact*

What to Bring

All campers are encouraged to pack simply and lightly

Bible, pen/pencil	Water Bottle
Sleeping bag and Pillow	Raincoat/poncho
Shorts/Jeans	Flashlight
T-shirts	Camera
Shoes for running or hiking	Bug Spray
Sandals (no flip-flops please!)	Sunscreen/Hat
Toiletries (toothbrush, etc.)	Postcards/stationary/ stamps
Warm shirt/ Jacket. Sweatshirt	A desire to have A LOT of FUN!
Swimsuit & Towel	
Prescribed Medication (OTC meds are available)	

*We recommend that you do not bring
Expensive personal items, clothing or jewelry.*

What NOT to Bring

Cell Phones
Electronic games
Video games, Gameboys
Candy/ Pop
Jackknives, firearms, fireworks
Nice clothes
Bad Attitudes

Other Camper Notes

Leaving Camp- If your child needs to leave camp during the week for any reason, we need to have prior notification. Please bring, or send, in writing who will be picking up to camper, the day they will be gone, the time they will be leaving and the time they will be returning to camp. If someone other than yourself will be picking up your child from camp at the end of their stay, a written notification must be turned in. This assures us that we are releasing your child to the proper person.

Cellphones/ Phone Calls- One of the valuable qualities of camp is the uninterrupted time away from home and normal routine. Cellphones and use of the telephone for incoming or outgoing calls are strongly discouraged. If you have concerns, our staff will be glad to discuss your child's experience with you, and can relay a message to your child. In the event of a family emergency, Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry assures immediate access to a phone for a camper.

In the event of severe weather- Both camps have a secure storm shelter and severe weather plan which are used in the event of bad weather. Staff utilize various apps and weather resources to assist in monitoring weather conditions. If any storm damage results in a need to send campers home, parents will be contacted.

Insurance- Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry carries accident/injury insurance. This is a modest secondary insurer policy which will cover expenses after an individual's primary insurance coverage. If an individual is not insured, Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry insurance will cover some medical costs.

Covid-19- At this time, VLM is not requiring masks for its campers, staff, or guests. However, we ask that all of our community please check daily for any COVID-19 symptoms and/ or exposure. If you are not feeling well or have been notified of any recent exposure, please notify the VLM office to postpone or cancel your trip to camp. Any deposits will be refunded due to COVID changes.

We will notify if we change these policies moving forward depending on conditions and the Department of Health recommendations.

For the Well-Being of all Campers and Staff

- All medications (including over-the-counter meds) must be turned in at registration. All medicine MUST be in the original packaging clearly marked with your child's name and the dosage instructions. VLM will provide Over the Counter medications.
- The camps of Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry are drug and weapon free environments. In the event that a camper brings drugs, alcohol, cigarettes, knives, weapons, or explosive devices (including fire crackers) to camp, parents will be contacted immediately and the camper will be dismissed from camp.
- Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry also reserves the right to store camper's personal items that may be inappropriate to their stay. Items will be returned at the end of the week.
- If a camper is destructive to camp property (discharging fire extinguisher in a nonemergency situation, graffiti, etc.) the parent will be contacted for appropriate remuneration and/or dismissal from camp.
- Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry reserves the right to dismiss any camper. Registration fees may or may not be returned at the discretion of the executive director.