

Iron County Summer Youth Camp

CAMPER/PARENT PACKET

Welcome to the 25th annual Iron County Summer Youth Camp!

We are glad that you will be joining us for another year of fun and excitement.

CAMP ACTIVITIES

Since many of you may be wondering what camp is all about, here's an example of what our daily schedule will include:

6:30 a.m.	Polar bear swim, yoga, morning run
7:30 a.m.	Flag raising
8:15 a.m.	Cabin cleanup
8:45 a.m.	Service to camp
9:15 a.m.	Group activities (swimming, arts & crafts, recreation, nature, archery)
11:30 a.m.	Lunch
12:15 p.m.	Cabin time
1:00 p.m.	Group activities
4:00 p.m.	Skit planning
5:00 p.m.	Dinner
6:00 p.m.	All camp activity
8:00 p.m.	Flag lowering
8:15 p.m.	Campfire
9:15 p.m.	Late night program
10:15 p.m.	Lights out

CAMPER FORMS

Enclosed with this letter you will find a **camper's code of conduct, health form, and camper fee invoice.** Please fill out and return **all forms and payment** to the Extension Iron County office by **FRIDAY, May 29, 2026.**

Your child will not be allowed to board the bus or stay at camp unless these forms are completed and returned with payment to our office by this date.



CHECKIN/CHECKOUT REMINDER

We ask that ALL campers ride the bus to and from camp.

- Camper check-in will take place on Tuesday, July 21 at 11:30 a.m. at the Hurley School. The bus departs at 12:00 p.m.
- Please check your child in upon arrival.
- Medications will also be checked in at this time.
- Lunch will not be provided at check-in, so please be sure that your child has had lunch before hand.
- Camp is scheduled to begin at 2:30 p.m.
- Camp will be dismissed on Friday, July 24 at 1:00 p.m. Camper check-out will take place at the Hurley School at approximately 3:30 p.m.
- Please be sure that someone picks your camper up at the scheduled time.



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PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

We do ask that you *not* call your child unless an emergency arises. This helps us in handling cases of home sickness. In case of an emergency, please contact Neil Klemme directly at (715) 329-0441.

If you would like to follow the camp activities throughout the week, camp staff and counselors will be sharing camp photos, videos and a camp slideshow on the Iron County Summer Youth Camp Facebook page.

CELLPHONES & OTHER VALUABLES

Please do not allow your camper to bring a cell phone to camp. We want campers to become engaged with camp activities while they are at camp. It is not necessary for them to have one because communications, in the case of emergency, can be done through Neil Klemme (phone number in listed above section). We do not want valuable items like cell phones to be lost or misplaced with another camper's belongings. There are up to thirteen youth in each cabin with belongings. Campers will be very busy traveling around the grounds

on hikes or swimming, so valuables could be lost enroute or as clothes are quickly changed. Thank you for supporting this policy.

MEDICATIONS AT CAMP

Since we do not want campers transporting their own medications, we ask that you please arrange to drop off your child's medications in one of the following ways:

1. You or another adult can drop off your child's medications by **Friday, July 17** at the Extension Iron County office, which is located in the Iron County Courthouse, between 7:30 and 11:30 a.m.
2. Bring your child's medications to the school when you drop off your child to get on the bus on **Tuesday, July 21**. Staff will be on hand to check medications at that time.

REMINDER: Complete and sign all medication forms in the health packet. If your child's medication changes after you submit the health form, please write a note with your signature to confirm the change.



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Iron County Summer Youth Camp Packing List

What to pack:

- Sleeping bag or blanket
- Mattress sheet for under sleeping bag/blanket
- Pillow
- Shoes: 2 comfortable pair, including at least one pair of sneakers for games and recreation.
- Comfortable clothes for 5 days. Be sure to include shorts, long pants, and short and long sleeved shirts.
- Jacket
- Swimming suit and beach towel
- Rain gear or rain poncho
- Towel, washcloth, soap
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Hairbrush or comb
- Insect repellent
- Sunscreen
- Flashlight or headlamp
- Water bottle (optional)
- Shower shoes (i.e. flip-flops) (optional)
- Plastic garbage bag for dirty clothes
- Positive attitude
- Pack extra socks and shoes in the event of wet/damp weather.
- Money for the candy/snack canteen, which will be available to campers twice a day. We suggest sending no more than \$10.



What **NOT** to pack:

- Hand-held electronics (cell phone, iPod, tablet, camera, etc..)
- Food/beverages
- Jewelry
- Knives, firearms, fireworks

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Information Sheet

CAMP PURPOSE

Iron County Summer Youth Camp is a 4-H Youth Development Program. We promise it will be fun, safe, educational, and packed full of memories that can last a lifetime. Campers will have an opportunity to enjoy the outdoors, learn new skills, and participate in many new activities.

MEALS

Please note special dietary needs in the health packet.

GENERAL CLEAN-UP

We believe that all camp participants should be involved in camp cleanliness. Campers will be expected to take part in all aspects of camp clean up, such as maintaining clean cabins, clearing tables, or washing dishes. They will not be allowed to use harsh cleaning chemicals, as these could put camper's safety at risk.

BATHROOM & SHOWER FACILITY

Indoor flush toilets, sinks with hot and cold water, and showers are available at camp.

SLEEPING ARRANGEMENTS

Campers will be housed in cabins, in a small pod group. At least 1-2 staff members (depending on cabin size) will be housed in each cabin with boys and girls housed separately.

INSECT PROTECTION

Our camp is in a wooded area near a river. Mosquitoes and ticks will be present. **Please send some insect repellent with your child and instruct them on how to use it.**

SAFETY AND EMERGENCIES

The Registered Nurse will be on staff and available to campers at all times. If you have medical concerns, please call Neil Klemme at 715-561-2695. We will discuss emergency procedures with the campers as part of their camp orientation. Trained lifeguards will monitor all boating and swimming activities.

CAMP STAFF

Iron County Summer Youth Camp is staffed by University of Wisconsin Extension Educator and staff, adult volunteers, trained counselors, other camp staff and a camp nurse. Teen counselors have participated in 20 hours of training prior to camp to prepare for their roles at camp. They will be supported by adult volunteers who have been screened and trained by the state 4-H program.

QUESTIONS?

If you have any questions, call the Extension Iron County office at 715-561-2695.

Neil Klemme
4-H Youth Development Educator
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CAMPERS CODE OF CONDUCT



The following is the code of conduct for the Iron County Summer Youth Camp. **Please read it over carefully with your child.** By signing the agreement at the bottom, both you and your child are acknowledging and accepting the following expectations.

Campers are expected to:

- Attend ALL activities
- Behave appropriately at all times
- Respect the camp facilities and the personal property of others
- Be responsible for personal belongings
- Observe quiet times
- Stay with assigned groups and camp staff
- Always wear shoes
- Keep cabin area clean
- Use appropriate language at all times
- Always wear your nametag
- Follow all camp procedures
- Abide by all local, state and federal laws
- Respect the dignity, diversity of cultures, backgrounds and family customs of all individuals at camp.



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I have read and agree to follow the above exceptions.

**Do not leave this blank, both the parent and the camper must sign this form.*

Camper signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date