

# Camp Chippewa 2025 Parent Handbook

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2025 Camp Dates		
Session	Start Date	End Date
Full Session	June 18	August 11
Session I	June 18	July 14
Badger Camp I	June 18	July 1
Session II	July 16	August 11
Badger Camp II	July 16	July 29
CLT Session	June 18	August 11

2025 Payment Schedule				
Session	Tuition	Enrollment Deposit	Hudson Bay Trading Post Deposit	3 Monthly Installments Feb-Apr
Full Session	\$13,250	\$950	\$150	\$4,150
Session I/II	\$7,625	\$950	\$150	\$2,275
Badger Camp I/II	\$4,575	\$950	\$150	\$1,258
CLT Session	\$12,200	\$950	\$150	\$3,800

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## Parent Portal: CampInTouch & Companion

### CampInTouch

This is your portal to information needed to prepare your camper for a successful summer. When you registered your camper, you created your own CampInTouch account with a username (your email address) and password. To log in to CampInTouch on a computer, go to <https://campchippewa.campintouch.com/v2/login/login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fMyAccount.aspx> or click the “CampInTouch” link in the top right corner of any page on our website. Download packing lists and paper forms, complete and submit online forms, make payments, and update your contact information in CampInTouch.

### Companion

Companion is the free mobile app that links to your CampInTouch account. Go to <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/companion/id1457911692> (App Store) or <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.campintouch.companionapp&pli=1> (Google Play) to download the app to your phone. Log in using your CampInTouch credentials. Use Companion to complete online forms when away from your computer and to scan and upload all paper forms. We will use Companion to communicate important information via microposts throughout the year. Please turn on notifications to stay up-to-date. Other features will be rolled out as they become available.

## Camp Forms & Documents

Access to all Camp forms and documents is through CampInTouch or Companion. **Camp forms are due on April 30** to ensure we have all the information we need to prepare for your camper’s arrival.

### Online Forms

These forms are due on April 30. Complete and submit them entirely online via CampInTouch or Companion. These forms can be updated and resubmitted as needed.

Camper Confidential Questionnaire: Questions about your camper’s behavior, experiences, preferences, and your expectations for their Camp experience.

Health History: Collects general health, medication, immunization, and insurance information. This form requires annual updates each year.

Camper Travel TO/FROM Camp: Use the Travel Key on Page 9 to complete this form. Changes made to the form after April 30 must be accompanied by an email to the Camp office.

### Paper Forms

Download these forms to your device. These forms all require a handwritten signature; typed signatures cannot be accepted for legal reasons. These forms may be completed on your device, or print the forms and complete them by hand. Upload completed forms as black & white PDFs that is smaller than 1MB in size. Use Companion to scan and upload any forms you have printed and completed by hand. Clean, legible, black & white PDFs are required.

Camper Code of Conduct: Provides an explanation of our behavior expectations for campers and describes the disciplinary steps we follow when expectations are not met. Read this with your camper. This is an excellent opportunity to discuss accountability. Both camper and parent signatures are required.

Permission to Visit Canada: Only campers entering 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> grades go to Canada and need this form completed. Include either passport information or US birth certificate information. If using a US birth certificate to cross into Canada, a photo ID is also required. Original US birth certificates are required; copies of US birth certificates cannot be accepted. Non-US citizens may need additional documentation, such as a visitor visa, to enter Canada. Please check the Canadian immigration website at <https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/visit-canada/entry-requirements-country.html>.

Parent Authorization: Submit legible copies of your camper’s health and Rx insurance card(s). Sign and date the bottom to authorize Camp’s medical staff to treat any minor injury or illness while at Camp.

Physical Exam: Have your camper’s healthcare provider complete this form during their annual physical exam. Have them include all daily and Rx as-needed meds your camper takes. Physical exams must have been performed no more than 12 months before your camper’s arrival at Camp. If your camper’s annual physical is scheduled after April 30

but before they arrive at Camp, please inform us via email.

### **Documents**

These documents contain important information and will answer many questions about Camp. If you still have questions after reading them, contact us.

Parent Handbook: You're reading it now! Thank you for your time and attention to detail!

Camper Packing List: Clothing and equipment all campers need.

Canadian Gear List: Additional clothing and equipment required for campers entering grades 9-12. Campers entering 8<sup>th</sup> grade may want some items on

this list as they will be going to Canada the following summer.

Canadian Gear Buyers Guide: Information to help you purchase canoe trip gear for your camper.

CampMeds Parent Letter: Information for parents with a camper who takes prescription or daily OTC medication.

ShipCamps: Information about ShipCamps service. We highly recommend using ShipCamps!

Travel One: Information from our travel service for flight arrangements to/from Camp.

Unaccompanied Minor (UM): Information for parents with campers flying as an UM.

## **Travel & Baggage**

The safety of your camper during travel to and from Camp is very important to us. It is critical that we receive accurate and timely information regarding your travel plans. Arranging travel to Camp is your responsibility and can be done by car, bus, or air. Camp provides free charter bus transportation from the Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport (MSP) to Camp at the start and end of each 4-week session. Badger Camp campers may be picked up by car at Camp or fly home from the Bemidji Regional Airport (BJI) at the end of their 2-week session.

### **Car Travel**

Drop your camper off at Camp between **4:00-4:30pm**. If your camper is in Full Session, Session I, Session II, or CLT Session, pickup is from **6:30-8:30am**. If your camper is in Badger Camp I or Badger Camp II, pick up is at **10:00am**.

### **Bus Travel**

Drop your camper off at the MSP Terminal 1 Buses/Off-Site Shuttles area between **12:30-1:00pm**. Pick your camper up from the bus at the same spot from **11:00-11:30am**. Park in the Red or Blue Ramp. Take the elevator to Level T. Follow the "Buses/Off-Site Shuttles" signs (you will have to go up one level). Take the tram to this area if you park in other ramps. Ensure your camper has eaten lunch before boarding the bus, or send a bag lunch and water with them. The bus makes no stops. Campers are expected to remain seated while the bus is moving; be respectful of counselors, the driver, and other campers; and to follow all instructions while on the bus.

### **Air Travel**

Flights arriving at MSP must arrive between **8:30am-12:30pm**. Flights departing from MSP must depart between **1:00-4:00pm** (confirm session start and end dates on Page 1). We recommend using Travel One of Minneapolis to make your camper's flight arrangements (800-245-1111). Please see the *Travel One* document in CampInTouch for more information. Campers flying to MSP will automatically be placed on the charter bus to Camp. Pack a change of clothes, swimsuit, towel, water bottle, and nutritious lunch/snack in your camper's carryon.

### **Baggage**

We highly recommend shipping your camper's bags to Camp instead of checking them on the plane. No one can control lost/delayed bags, and not having their luggage makes the first few days of Camp very uncomfortable for your camper.

ShipCamps provides excellent service and can be accessed at <https://www.shipcamps.com/camp-chippewa-for-boys> or your CampInTouch account. You may also ship bags via UPS and FedEx. Ensure all baggage arrives at Camp at least 1 day before your camper.

Unless you fly with your camper and bring them to the bus, **all campers flying to MSP Terminal 2 (Southwest, Sun Country, Allegiant, Condor, Frontier, Icelandair, and JetBlue) must ship their bags to camp.** Our staff are only able to collect bags at Terminal 1.

If you choose to check bags with a Terminal 1 airline, securely attach to each bag Camp Chippewa's blue baggage tags which will be mailed to you before the end of May. The tags and a detailed description entered in the Travel form will help our staff find and collect your camper's bags. Lost/delayed bags are the parent's responsibility to locate and deliver to Camp. Be aware that overweight and oversize bags incur increasing costs.

### **Unaccompanied Minor (UM)**

Most airlines require passengers aged 14 or younger to fly as a UM. Delta allows up to four children

(family or not) to travel under the cost of one UM service, but they must check in together. The UM form requires the name, address, and phone number of the person meeting your camper at their gate. Use the following information for your camper's flight to Camp:

Will Norris  
22767 Cap Endres Rd SE  
Cass Lake, MN 56633  
Primary phone: 207-650-6824  
Secondary phone: 218-335-8807

## **Packing**

**Follow the *Camper Packing List*** to ensure your camper has all the clothes and equipment necessary. Soft-sided suitcases or duffel bags are required; hard-sided suitcases or trunks cannot be stored in our cabins. The *Camper Packing List* has been tested and tuned for over 90 years; follow it, and please send any questions to [jacob@campchippewa.com](mailto:jacob@campchippewa.com).

Laundry service is provided weekly free of charge. Pack only items on the *Camper Packing List*. Extra items generally do not get used and make it difficult for your camper to stay organized. Label everything you send to Camp with your camper's full name via sticker or permanent marker. Camper Clothing Labels can be purchased in CampInTouch. It is not guaranteed that unlabeled items will be returned to your camper, especially if they do not recognize their

belongings. Unlabeled items in Camp's lost & found will be donated to local thrift stores if left unclaimed at the end of the summer. Please pack with your camper so they know which items they bring to Camp and where to find them in their bags!

Sleeping bags are only used for wilderness canoe trips and will not be used while your camper is at Camp. Send a quality sleeping bag that packs down very small. Cheap, bulky bags are hard for your camper to pack comfortably. If your camper will be entering 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, or 12<sup>th</sup> grade, please download the Canadian Gear List and make sure they have the gear necessary for their trip. Send any questions to [jacob@campchippewa.com](mailto:jacob@campchippewa.com).

## **Camp Program**

### **Camp Activities**

Camp offers a variety of activities including athletics, shooting sports, waterfront activities, wilderness skills, and large group activities. A detailed description of each activity can be found on our website at <https://www.campchippewa.com/activities/>. Camp activities carry inherent risk, and activities are instructed with required safety equipment and in ways commensurate with camper age and ability.

Campers who are unable to follow safety instructions for an activity will not be able to participate in that activity. Please list any activity preferences and restrictions in the *Camper Confidential Questionnaire*.

### **Wilderness Trips**

All campers will go overnight camping. Campers still in elementary or middle school will go on trips ranging from 1-4 nights. Campers in high school will go on trips ranging from 6-20 nights. Trip length and difficulty is commensurate with camper age and ability.

Trips are meant to be both fun and challenging. Nothing builds character, resilience, and self-confidence like wilderness canoe trips. Many Chippewa alumni continue wilderness camping for the rest of their lives and look back at their trips with Camp as some of the best memories of their lives.

Trip leaders are selected based on backcountry experience and wilderness medicine certifications. Campers are prepared for wilderness canoe trips through canoe, campcraft, and swim classes during Camp. Camp provides campers with a paddle and PFD. Camp provides every trip with canoes, tents, packs, food, cooking equipment, and first aid kits. The routes we travel are well established.

Read and follow all packing lists. Campers entering 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> grade need a completed *Permission to Visit Canada* form and required border crossing documentation. More information can be found on Page 2.

## **Healthcare & Medications**

The health and safety of our campers and staff is very important to us. Our program provides lots of outdoor physical activity, nutritious meals, midday rest, and a good night's sleep. We provide whole-food, balanced, and delicious meals made from scratch. Our staff will encourage nutritious eating, but it is your camper's responsibility to eat the food provided. Please include all allergies and medical dietary restrictions (lactose-intolerance, celiac disease, etc.) in the *Health History* form.

### **Healthcare**

Medical staff live on site throughout the summer. All counselors are trained in emergency procedures, first aid, CPR, and lifeguarding. In the event of serious injury or illness, the Bemidji Hospital/ER is 25 minutes away. Ambulance and first responder services respond promptly to Camp property. Camp medical staff or a director will contact you if your camper spends a night in the health center or is taken to Bemidji for evaluation or treatment. Please notify us in writing if you will be away from home during the summer. Notify listed emergency contacts of their responsibility to act in your absence.

Camp Chippewa advises all campers and staff to be immunized in accordance with CDC recommendations. If your camper will not be up to date with tetanus, we require an immunization waiver to be signed. Please send a healthy camper to Camp!

### **Medications**

If your camper takes daily Rx or OTC medication (vitamins and supplements included), include all information in the *Health History* and *Physical Exam* forms and **register with CampMeds to have all your camper's daily meds shipped to Camp before they arrive**. CampMeds is a professional summer camp medication supply company, and all daily Rx or OTC meds must be shipped to us through CampMeds for liability insurance purposes.

Work with your camper's doctor, your insurance company, and CampMeds to register your camper

and ship the meds they need for the summer to Camp. CampMeds works with most insurance companies, and they will alert you if your insurance does not work with their pharmacy. Contact us immediately if that happens. CampMeds has a sliding fee scale. Register in January or February for the lowest rate; rates increase in March and May. CampMeds charges fees for late registration and expedited shipping. Register with CampMeds as soon as possible at <https://www.campmeds.com/>.

The only meds that can be sent to Camp with your camper are epinephrine, inhalers, nasal sprays, and droplet medications. Other liquid or gummy medications are not allowed; send tablets or chewable meds through CampMeds. All meds are stored securely in our health center to comply with our liability insurance.

Camp's medical staff will dispense daily meds at meals and/or before bedtime. We will follow instructions from your camper's doctor when dispensing Rx meds. We will follow instructions from you when dispensing daily OTC meds. If you provide no instructions for daily OTC meds, we will follow dosing instructions on the bottle. While away from Camp on canoe trips, the trip leader will be trained and responsible for dispensing all camper meds.

Camp is not the place to explore changing medications for your camper. If melatonin is required, it must be prescribed by a doctor and shipped to Camp via CampMeds. The outdoor activity, consistent routine, and lack of screens contribute to building healthy sleep habits.

Camp will provide all as-needed OTC meds to campers and staff. A list of OTC meds stocked in the health center can be found on the online *Health History* form. Please contact the camp office with any questions. **Rx and OTC meds taken daily must be shipped to Camp through CampMeds.**

## Homesickness

If you are concerned about homesickness, know that it is not an unusual situation, even among returning campers. We will use empathy and understanding to help your camper work through and overcome their homesickness. There are many things you can do to prepare your camper and set them up for success.

Talk with your camper before Camp starts. Be honest with the emotions they may feel. Tell them you are proud of them for going on a new adventure and how you know they can overcome the challenges of being away from home. Share all of the fun and exciting things they will get to try and experience while at Camp.

Avoid bargaining with your camper. Saying you will pick them up early if they do not like Camp prevents all opportunities for your camper to develop resilience, and it undermines how our summer program promotes growth in our campers. Saying they can call home if they are homesick also inhibits resilience and continues to draw their focus towards home and away from the fun of Camp. No phone calls home are allowed except on the camper's birthday.

Give your camper opportunities to spend time away from home before coming to camp. Have them experience sleepovers at a trusted friend or relative's house.

Read *Homesick and Happy* by Michael Thompson, Ph.D. This is an excellent book about the benefits of summer camp, why homesickness is not always a bad thing, and how to overcome the negative effects of homesickness and have a successful and enjoyable time away from home. We are happy to provide other resources on this topic!

During Camp, make sure your letters emphasize all the exciting things your camper is doing. Avoid writing about what is happening at home or what they might be missing while at Camp. Write about how proud you are of them and all the fun Camp has in store. Do not panic if a homesick letter arrives after the first few days; your camper will most likely have already gotten over their homesickness by the time the letter gets to you.

Please contact us if you have any additional questions or concerns. We are happy to speak with you!

## Communication: Mail & Packages

Chippewa's philosophy of unplugging from technology helps maintain our successful approach to camping. Communicating with your camper via mail is certainly slower than what we are used to. You may still communicate with us via email, and we will send important information to you via email as needed throughout the summer. Camp Chippewa has very limited internet access due to our location. Here are a few things to keep in mind about communicating with your camper:

### Mail

The best way to communicate with your camper is through the USPS. Campers receive mail after lunch Monday through Saturday. Receiving a total of 1-3 letters each week from family and friends strikes the perfect balance between too few and too many letters. Write about what they are doing at camp; avoid writing about what they may be missing at home.

Campers are required to write a letter home to their parent/guardian each Sunday. They can write more frequently and to other people if desired. Their

counselor will also write you a weekly letter highlighting how they are acclimating to Camp life, accomplishments in activities, and any potential concerns. You may not receive a letter if your camper is out of Camp on a canoe trip on Sunday. Please send paper, pencils, stamps, and pre-addressed envelopes with your camper. You can also teach them how to correctly address an envelope before they leave for Camp. Additional stationery and postage can be purchased at the Hudson Bay Trading Post.

Address mail to your camper as follows:

Camper's Name  
Camp Chippewa for Boys  
22767 Cap Endres Rd SE  
Cass Lake, MN 56633

Email letters are only available for international campers and their parents/guardians. Only text can be printed and shared, not photos. Emailed letters are processed on Mondays and Fridays.

### **Packages**

If your camper forgot something at home, sending a package to Camp is the best way to make sure they have what they need for the summer. Please let us know before you send a package with a book or

forgotten camping item so we can anticipate its arrival. Toys, candy, snacks, or gum cannot be sent to Camp and will either be discarded or returned at the sender's expense. Campers open all packages in the Camp office. Please make sure friends and extended family are aware of our mail and package policy.

### **Camp Visits**

The best time to visit and see Camp is at the end of your camper's session. They will be familiar with Camp, can show you around, and will have lots of stories to tell. If you are dropping them off or picking

them up and are looking for a nearby place to stay there are several resorts on Cass Lake, hotels in Bemidji, and Airbnbs in the surrounding area. Flights between MSP and BJI occur daily.

### **Hudson Bay Trading Post (Camp Store)**

The Hudson Bay Trading Post (Camp Store) is open twice a week. Campers may purchase fishing tackle, toiletry items, stationary, candy, small camping items, and Camp Chippewa clothing. An initial deposit of \$150 is billed alongside tuition. Any travel, personal, or medical expenses will be charged to this account. We are happy to accommodate your preferences for your camper's shopping. Please let us know!

You will have access to your camper's spending activity through the "Accounts" button in CampInTouch. A statement including purchases and the account debit/credit amount will be sent at the end of the summer. Credits can be donated, rolled forward to the next year. Refunds of \$20 or more can be returned via check.

### **Payments, Cancellations, Refunds**

The "Financial Management" page in CampInTouch allows you to view your billing address; add, update, or delete online payment methods (eCheck, debit/credit card); view account activity; download account statements; or make a payment. Please make sure your billing address is accurate and only your valid and preferred payment methods are enabled.

#### **Payments**

The enrollment deposit is due at the time of enrollment. If you are paying via check, we will hold your camper's spot for 10 days until the check arrives in the mail. Tuition can be paid in full at the time of enrollment or in monthly installments detailed in the Payment Schedule on Page 1.

Invoices are sent via email in January, February, and March for payments due on the 1<sup>st</sup> of February, March, and April, respectively. Custom payment plans can be arranged by contacting us directly at [mary@campchippewa.com](mailto:mary@campchippewa.com).

Check payments are preferred. Credit card payments incur a convenience fee of 3%. Debit cards and eChecks do not incur a fee. If a check or eCheck

payment is declined, a \$35 service fee may be added to your account.

Mail check payments to the Maple Grove address ensuring they arrive before the first of the month. Make eCheck or card payments in CampInTouch by the first of the month. If no payment has been received by the end of the day, we will charge your account on the second of the month.

Tuition is due in full on April 1. A \$95 late fee plus 1.5% per month service charge is assessed on overdue accounts. Contact us with any questions.

#### **Cancellations**

We will do our best to work with you and accommodate circumstances that may affect your camper's attendance at Camp. You may cancel your camper's enrollment for any reason at any time before the start of their session. Please notify us of any cancellations as soon as possible.

## **Refunds**

For cancellations made prior to December 1, all payments will be fully refunded minus a \$95 administrative fee.

For cancellations made on or after December 1 and before April 1, all payments will be refunded minus the \$950 enrollment deposit. The enrollment deposit will be held and can be used for tuition for the following summer. If your camper does not enroll the following summer, the \$950 will be donated to the Camp Chippewa Scholarship Fund and you will receive a donation tax receipt.

For cancellations made on or after April 1, no payments will be refunded. All payments will be held and can be used for tuition for the following summer. If your camper does not enroll the following summer, all payments will be donated to the Camp Chippewa Scholarship Fund and you will receive a donation tax receipt.

There is no discount for late arrival to or early departure from Camp. No refund will be made if your camper is dismissed from Camp due to behavioral issues.

## **Inappropriate Behavior & Dismissal**

Every camper and staff member is entitled to enjoy their summer at Camp Chippewa free from discrimination, violence, intimidation, harassment, and abuse. Language, attitudes, and behaviors that intimidate, threaten, harass, debilitate, abuse, or discriminate against campers or staff members are not tolerated. Campers and staff are taught to report any instance of abuse to a counselor or adult at Camp.

Behavior that affects any camper's ability to participate in the summer program, behavior that significantly disrupts the summer program, consistent behavior that is inappropriate, or abuse of any kind are grounds for dismissal. For the safety of the Camp Community, Camp Chippewa policy prohibits the possession of weapons, fireworks, alcohol, marijuana, tobacco, e-cigarettes, or any other recreational or illegal drug while at Camp or under Camp supervision. Any camper suspected of possessing prohibited items will have their belongings searched. Prohibited items will be seized, and the camper may be dismissed at the discretion of the director.

For the protection of all campers and staff, we reserve the right to dismiss any camper whose behavior we

deem inappropriate. This includes but is not limited to: disrespecting Camp or Camp property, disrespecting campers or staff and their property, possessing or using prohibited items, violence or abuse of any kind (physical, verbal, emotional, sexual, bullying). **Parents/guardians will be notified of their camper's dismissal immediately and are responsible for picking them up from Camp within 48 hours of the notification. Dismissal from Camp will result in no refund of tuition.**

The *Camper Code of Conduct* in CampInTouch further explains our behavior expectations and the disciplinary steps we follow when those expectations are not met. It requires understanding and a signature from both you and your camper.

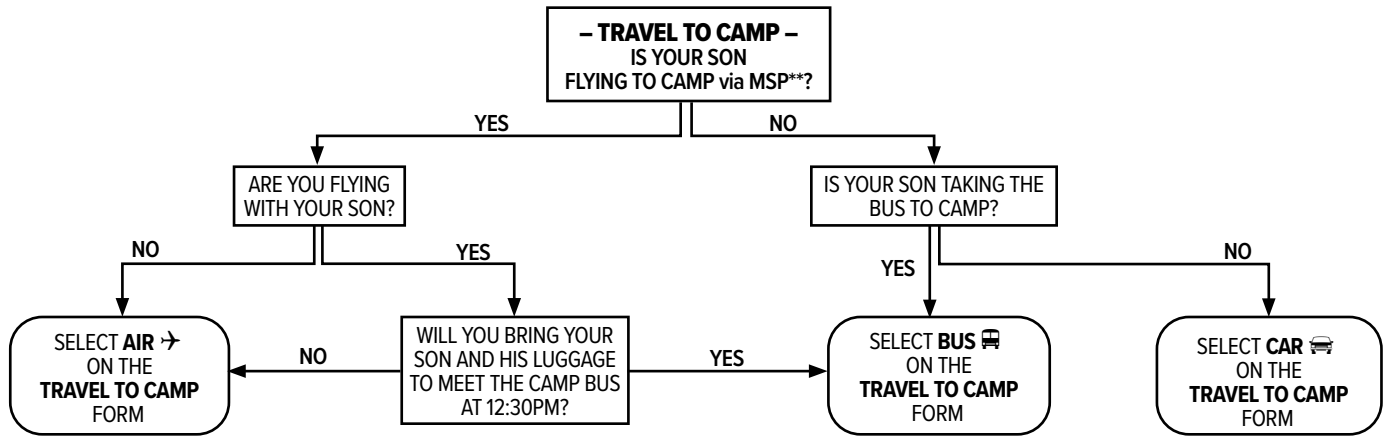
Camp Chippewa requires all campers and staff to be positive, contributing members of our community. Participating in the summer program, adhering to behavior policies, demonstrating respect at all times, and handling oneself appropriately are required by all campers.



## TRAVEL KEY

Please use the key below to determine the correct travel mode for your son's camp arrival and departure. Select **AIR**, **BUS**, or **CAR** on the Camper Travel forms in your CIT account. Travel arrangements can be tricky. Please contact the camp office with any questions.

\*\*If your son is flying to/from camp via BJI (Bemidji Regional Airport), arrival and departure times are different than those listed on Page 2 of this Handbook. Please contact the camp office for further instructions.

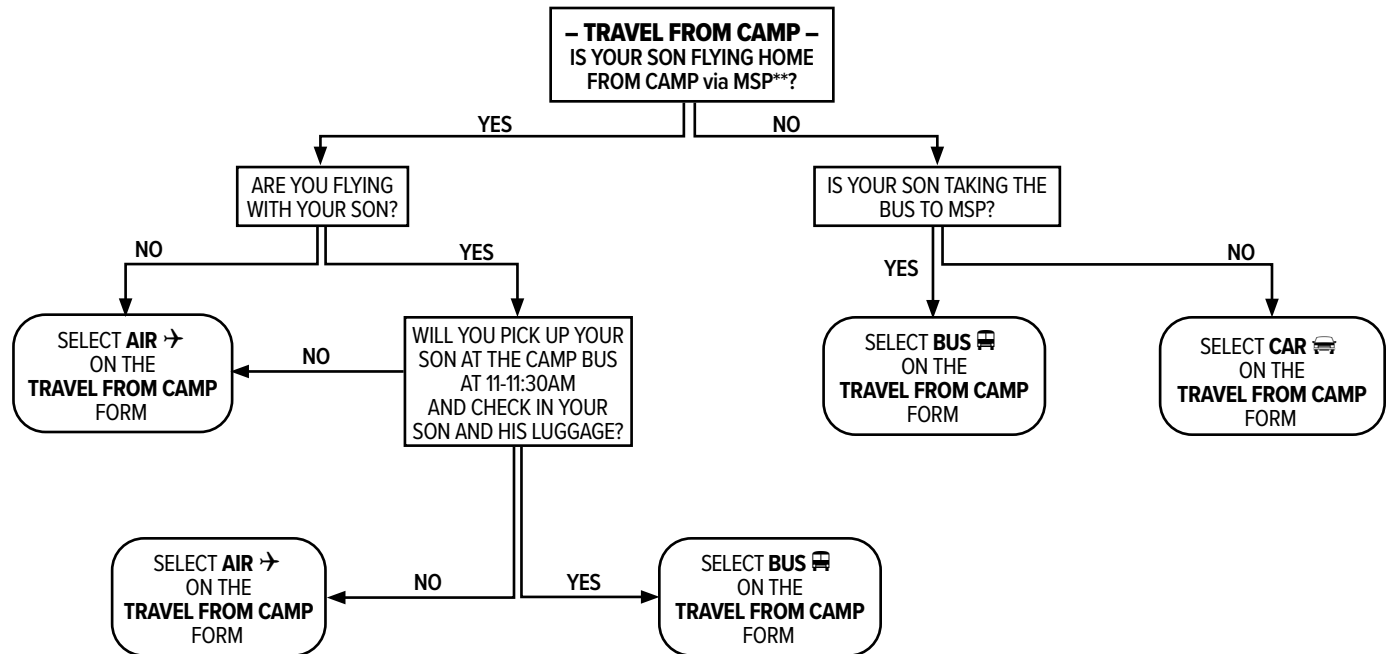


### TRAVEL TO CAMP ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

→ **AIR**: Camp Chippewa staff will meet your son at his gate, collect his luggage if not shipped to camp and place him on the bus to camp.

🚌 **BUS**: Meet the charter bus to Camp Chippewa at 12:30-1:00pm at MSP Terminal 1 Buses/Off-Site Shuttles area.

🚗 **CAR**: Camp Chippewa is a 4- to 5-hour drive from MSP, depending on traffic; plan to arrive between 4:00-4:30pm.



### TRAVEL FROM CAMP ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

→ **AIR**: Camp Chippewa staff will check in your son and his luggage (if not shipped home) at MSP, pay any travel fees, escort him to his gate, and stay with him until he boards the plane.

🚌 **BUS**: Camp Chippewa staff will meet you between 11:00-11:30am at MSP Terminal 1 Buses/Off-Site Shuttles area.

🚗 **CAR**: See pick-up times for each session on Page 3 of the Parent Handbook or in the Camper Travel from Camp form.



## Camper Packing List

### Clothing:

- 12 undershorts
- 12 pairs of socks
- 8 T-shirts
- 2 long sleeve shirts
- 3 pairs of pants (jeans, sweats, joggers)
- 3 pairs of shorts
- 1 sweatshirt
- 1 warm top layer (jacket, fleece, etc.)
- 1 pair of trainers/athletic shoes\*
- 1 pair of sandals\*
- 1 pair of canoe trip shoes (sturdy, breathable, NOT waterproof)\*
- 1 pair of water shoes for swimming
- 2 swimsuits
- Rain jacket and pants (no ponchos)\*
- 2 hats\*
- 2 pairs of pajamas

- *T-shirts, shorts, sweatshirts, and hats can be purchased at the Camp Store.*

### Linens:

- 2 cot-sized sheets (30" x 75")
- 2 cot-sized fitted sheets
- 2 pillow cases
- 1 pillow
- 3 lightweight blankets (fleece, wool, etc.)
- 1 pillow
- 4 towels (thin fabric, not plush bath towels)
- Laundry bag

- *Camp provides international campers with blankets, towels, and a pillow upon request.*
- *CLT campers sleep on Twin XL mattresses.*
- *Camp provides international CLT campers with fitted sheets, sheets, and pillow cases upon request.*

### Toiletries:

- Toiletry bag
- Toothbrush

- Toothpaste
- Floss
- Deodorant
- Nail clippers
- Biodegradable soap (Dr. Bronner's, CampSuds, WilderWash, etc.)
- Sunscreen (SPF 30+, lotion is preferred)
- Lip balm (SPF 15+)
- Bug repellent (lotion is preferred)

- *Select toiletries can be purchased at the Camp Store.*

### Miscellaneous:

- Sleeping bag and stuff sack\*
- Headlamp or small flashlight (LED, extra batteries)
- Swim goggles
- Water bottle
- Good books
- Letter writing materials
- Backpack (to use as carry-on)
- CC paddle award (3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup> year campers only)

- *Flashlights, batteries, water bottles, and letter writing materials can be purchased at the Camp Store.*

### The following items are optional, but please send if your camper has them:

- Fishing rod and small tackle box\*
- Tennis racquet and can of balls
- Climbing gear (shoes, harness, helmet)
- Baseball and glove
- Digital camera (with extra batteries)\*

### DO NOT SEND THE FOLLOWING:

- ∅ Large electronics such as laptops, tablets, handheld consoles, etc.
- ∅ Over-the-ear headphones
- ∅ Knives of any kind

\*Also on the Canadian Gear List; please follow those specifications for campers entering 9<sup>th</sup> grade and above.

**Please read the important information on the following page, thank you!**

***Please keep the following in mind while packing with your camper:***

- ❖ **Mark ALL of your camper's belongings with their first and last name or initials.**  
Use a laundry marking pen, Sharpie marker, iron-on or sew-in name tags. Personalized labels can be ordered in CIT or online from multiple retailers. Place labels on tags inside clothing or on the back of an item. Laundry service is provided weekly and is included in the cost of tuition. Please do not send clothes that require special handling. Camp is a great place to wear out old clothes! See the *Parent Handbook* for more information on packing.
- ❖ **Campers entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade** have the opportunity to go on a 3-day adventure trip in Canada; a passport is required to cross the border. US citizens can cross the border with a birth certificate and photo ID (school photo IDs are acceptable). Send original documents; photocopies are not accepted. Non-US citizens may need additional documentation, such as a visitor visa, to enter Canada. See the *Parent Handbook* for more information.
- ❖ **Campers entering 8<sup>th</sup> grade** go on a Canadian preparatory canoe trip. Additional clothes/gear on the *Canadian Gear List* are recommended, but not required. The *Canadian Gear Buyers Guide* and the *Canadian Gear List* are available upon request.
- ❖ **Campers entering 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade** go on a Canadian canoe trip; a passport is required to cross the border. US citizens can cross the border with a birth certificate and photo ID (school photo IDs are acceptable). Send original documents; photocopies are not accepted. Non-US citizens may need additional documentation, such as a visitor visa, to enter Canada. See the *Parent Handbook* for more information. Clothes and equipment on the *Canadian Gear List* are required. The *Canadian Gear Buyers Guide* in your CIT account provides additional information on the clothing and equipment required for the canoe trip.
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