



## OUR CAMPERS:

All individuals ages 3 and up are welcome at camp regardless of the severity or type of their disability, race, religion, creed, geographic location, gender, age, or national origin. Individuals are welcome to camp as long as there is a degree of cognitive delay.

## FACILITIES:

The facilities include three dormitory style lodges, a Primitive Camp, cabins for camping out, an accessible swimming pool, a basketball court, arts & crafts and nature centers, a petting farm, and over 25 miles of trails for hiking.

## LOCATION:

Wisconsin Badger Camp is located on 680 beautifully wooded acres 10 miles south of Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin.

# CAMPER INFORMATION



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# CAMP DIRECTOR LETTER



## Happy New Year Camper's & Friends of WBC!

As usual, I am already excited about the upcoming 2018 camp season! The frigid temperatures have me dreaming of warmer summer days at camp, and in just 6-8 short months it will be time for our camper's annual vacation at Badger Camp! I am so excited to announce many of the new things that we have going on this year in preparation for the summer. There isn't a day that goes by that we aren't receiving calls from anxious campers and their families asking about the camp application and when it will be available. Before we get to those details, I'd like to introduce myself again for those of you who might not know me just yet, my name is Katelyn Carr and I am the Camp Director at Wisconsin Badger Camp. I am absolutely thrilled to be spending my fifth summer at camp this year. If you haven't gotten the chance to introduce yourself, please come do so during one of our camper check-in or check-out days!

Now that we have gotten that out of the way--Let's talk about camp! The first of many new exciting changes is the transition to online camper registration from paper registration! Enclosed you will find more instructions on how to go about the new registration process. We hope the new registration process will help improve many different areas of camp, and ensure that we have all the needed documentation for your camper prior to their arrival. Also, our aquatic area received a grant for new adaptive lifejackets made specifically for individuals who utilize wheelchairs, and or need more assistance maintaining an upright position in the water. We are looking forward to getting campers into the water for a new experience they might have never had before! If you haven't been out to camp in a while you'll want to make sure you do so this year, as some beautiful scenic views have been cleared on camp that you certainly won't want to miss. In addition to the clearings new benches have been added to the campfire area out at our famous Lookout Point, so be sure to see the gorgeous views it has to offer.

Primitive Camp is continuing to grow and change as always and is geared towards campers looking for a bit more of a challenge than what Main Camp may offer, while still offering traditional activities such as swimming, crafts and hay rides. We will have three horseback and canoeing sessions again this summer! Our Travel Program will be featuring three new exciting destinations this summer: St. Louis, Mo., Omaha, NE., and Sioux Falls, SD. We are really looking forward to expanding this program and continuing to foster inclusive environments in the community with our campers. These spots fill up quick, and each session can only accommodate six campers per trip.

As always, I want to thank you for trusting us with you loved ones and allowing me to spend my fifth summer at camp working with them! I am constantly reminded each day how special our 'home away from home' is to so many people. If you have any questions, comments or concerns about programs, the application process, or fees do not hesitate to call or email us. We look forward to seeing you this summer!

Yours in camping,

A handwritten signature in black ink that appears to read 'Katelyn'.

**Katelyn Carr, CTRS**  
**Camp Director, Wisconsin Badger Camp, Inc.**



## ACTIVITIES:

Main Camp is the perfect program for someone new to our program or overnight camping experiences. Fee is **\$800** for one session and **\$1,600** for the two week session.

It is our most inclusive and supportive program, never turning anyone away due to the severity of their disability. Each camper attends activities in their camper group, which helps to maximize supervision levels and the camper/counselor relationship.

Main Camp offers a traditional camp experience with adaptive programming to fit every camper. Our daily activity areas include:

- Swimming
- Recreation
- Arts and Crafts
- Nature
- Petting Farm/Gardening
- Music and Drama
- Overnight Camping and Off-camp Fishing Excursions

## SPECIAL FEATURES:

Our typical ratio of 2:1 campers to staff boasts quality peer and social interactions, which can vary depending on unique camper needs. Our on-site healthcare staff are available 24 hours/day to provide necessary support to campers with medical needs. Our all-camp evening programming is often the highlight of the week, with many campers claiming the evenings to be their favorite time at camp.

**SUNDAY:** A welcome campfire at Lookout Point kicks off the week with songs and roasted marshmallows.

**MONDAY AND TUESDAY:** Are unpredictably fun with water carnivals, themed festivals, all camp games and variety for everyone.

**WEDNESDAY:** Put on your running shoes for Badger Olympics!

**THURSDAY:** We dance the night away at our Badger Ball, reminiscing on the weeks' fun.

**FRIDAY MORNING:** The Badger Camp talent show showcases campers' unique talents and skills.

## MAIN CAMP DATES:

<b>Week 1</b>	June 10-15	18 & Older	\$800
<b>Week 2</b>	June 17-22	18 & Older	\$800
<b>Week 3</b>	June 24-29	Ages 14-21	\$800
<b>Week 4</b>	July 1-6	18 & Older	\$800
<b>Week 5/6</b>	July 8-19	18 & Older	\$1,600
<b>Week 7</b>	July 22-27	18 & Older	\$800
<b>Week 8</b>	July 29-Aug 3	18 & Older	\$800
<b>Week 9</b>	Aug 5-10	Ages 3-13	\$800
<b>Week 10</b>	Aug 12-17	18 & Older	\$800



# PRIMITIVE CAMP

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Primitive Camp is designed for those looking for a unique, more rustic and somewhat challenging experience. Weekly activities include:

- Campfire Cooking
- Nature Crafts
- Hiking
- Hayrides
- Fishing
- Swimming

Individuals participating in Primitive Camp should be capable of moderately strenuous physical activity. Sessions are limited to 12 campers per session.

Primitive Camp campers stay off Main Camp in cabins without running water or electricity. While outhouses are used at the Primitive Camp site, campers have access to the shower/bathroom facilities at Main Camp when necessary.

## STORY TELLERS & MUSIC MAKERS - WEEK 1:

If you love the outdoors AND the arts, this is the program for you! Join us for our third annual Storytellers and Music Makers session to create an original Badger Camp production that will be recorded and posted to our YouTube channel and website as well as the Friday Talent Show for all of camp to see! You'll be able to work with our Music/Drama Director to create a set, script and music for this one-of-a-kind performance. This session also includes fishing, swimming and of course, Badger Ball!

## DETECTIVE CAMP - WEEK 2:

Unleash the super sleuth in you! Come explore Badger Camp with your detective hat on as we learn how to explore the outdoors with metal detectors and other fun equipment while finding answers to hidden clues by going geo caching. We'll also uncover the mad scientist in each of us while performing nature based science experiments as well as getting a little messy as we learn about chemical reactions!

## HORSEBACK & CANOE - WEEK 3 & 4:

During this week you can participate in exciting activities like horseback riding, canoeing, and hiking! Along with other special activities that take place throughout the week, you will get to go fishing, swimming and do crafts, music and much more! No prior riding or canoeing experience is required.

## HORSEBACK & CANOE 5/6:

Do you feel like 5 days just isn't enough time at Primitive Camp? Join our 'super-sized' two-week session and you'll get to have twice as much fun participating in exciting activities like horseback riding, canoeing, and hiking! Along with other special activities that take place throughout the week, you will get to go fishing, swimming and do crafts, music and much more! No prior riding or canoeing experience is required.

## DETECTIVE - WEEK 7:

Calling all cowboys and cowgirls! Giddy-up on over to Primitive Camp where you'll get to pass the time by playing horseshoes, learning to lasso, and create your own leather crafted journal. Enjoy western-style meals over the campfire as you learn the tunes that the cowboys and girls used to sing into the night. Saddle up the chuck wagon for the Hoe Down (Badger Ball) because you'll also be creating a group line dance to teach to the other campers. This session also includes swimming, fishing and plenty of crafts!

## ECO EXPLORERS - WEEK 8:

Looking for a new kind of Primitive Camp adventure? Come check out our brand new Eco Explorers program! The week will offer outdoor fun and environmentally focused programming for campers. This session will integrate art, science, nature, gardening, cooking, drama, and music into the Primitive Camp experience as we explore new ways to connect with nature. Campers will also be taking a trip to Wyalusing State Park to explore some of the beauty that the Driftless Region has to offer.

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<b>Week 5/6</b>	July 8-19	18 & Older	\$1,600
<b>Week 7</b>	July 22-27	18 & Older	\$800
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### SPECIAL FEATURES:

In addition to the Main Camp programs and Primitive Camp, Travel Program offers a variety of vacation opportunities for campers. The Travel program is designed for those looking for a more challenging and unique adventure and participants should be capable of moderately strenuous physical activity.

### WISCONSIN DELLS - WEEK 1:

Take a trip with camp to the Waterpark Capitol of the World and one of the best vacation spots Wisconsin has to offer! Join us for an action packed adventure where we will visit an indoor waterpark, House on the Rock, and even go to a magic show! No trip to the Dells is complete without an original Duck's land and water tour of the city and of course shopping in their famous downtown area!\*

### BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI - WEEK 2:

If you enjoy fishing, canoeing, hiking, sleeping outdoors, and meals cooked over a campfire, then this trip is for you! S'mores are included! Join Camp on a week-long camping excursion in the great outdoors! Campgrounds are located in Black River Falls, WI. ***This trip is for male campers only.***

### IOWA SPA EXCURSION - WEEK 3:

Ladies prepare yourself for a relaxing week full of spa experiences! Prepare yourself for a week full of manicures, pedicures, make-up, hair styles, and so much more! Get excited to enjoy all the beautiful city of Dubuque has to offer. ***This trip is for female campers only.***

### ST. LOUIS, MO - WEEK 4:

Join camp for our first trip to St. Louis where we will visit the tallest man-made national monument in the United States, The Gateway Arch! With an overnight stay in Mark Twain's hometown of Hannibal, MO where we will tour his childhood home. Other fun attractions may include a Chocolate Factory Tour, tour of Cardinal's Stadium, or perhaps even the World Chess Hall of Fame!\*

### OMAHA, NE - WEEK 5:

Join camp for another first, a trip to Omaha, NE! Campers will travel to the Cornhuskers state where they will get the opportunity to visit the Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium which is home to the world's largest indoor rainforest and desert ecosystem. As well as many other historic landmarks and museums Omaha has to offer such as the Durham Museum, a guided tour of the Mormon Trail Center, as well as a visit to the 3,000 ft magic trick—suspended in air by mere cables, known as “Bob” their pedestrian bridge.

### MADISON, WI - WEEK 6:

This trip will feature tours of some of Wisconsin's most iconic architecture: The State Capitol, Olbrich Botanical Gardens and the Monona Terrace. If we are able, we'll also be able to attend a show at the Overture Center for the Arts. This trip will be packed with adventure, so make sure to bring your walking shoes!

### EAA OSHKOSH, WI - WEEK 7:

Did you know that for just 5 days out of the year, Oshkosh, WI has the busiest airport in the world?! Come experience it for yourself as we spend two days exploring the 100's of exhibitors, 1000's of planes and daily workshops to choose from at EAA AirVenture. While an Air Show is a must, other activities during this trip may include a tour of the National Airplane Museum, shopping at the Outlet Mall and more!

### SIOUX FALLS, SD - WEEK 8:

Head with Camp to the “Mount Rushmore State!” Once we arrive in the biggest city in South Dakota, we may explore the famous Falls Park, the Great Plains Zoo, and the Butterfly House & Aquarium! If we get the chance, we will visit the Olde Towne Dinner Theater. Join camp for our first trip to South Dakota, it's sure to be one for the books!\*

***\*Itinerary details (hotel, activities, routes, etc.) are subject to change due to pricing and availability. A more detailed itinerary will be available two weeks prior to each trip. If you would like a copy of the itinerary, please contact the camp office.***

### TRAVEL PROGRAM DATES:

<b>Week 1</b>	June 10-15	18 & Older	\$1,000
<b>Week 2</b>	June 17-22	18 & Older	\$1,000
<b>Week 3</b>	June 24-29	Ages 14-21	\$1,000
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# REGISTRATION PROCESS

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Please visit our website in order to complete your 2018 Camper Application. As soon as you're on our website you will see **"2018 Camp Registration Update!"** at the very top. There will be a link that says **"click here for 2018 Camper Registration!!"** which will redirect you to the online application system. Once you're redirected just follow the step-by-step instructions on how to complete the process and submit your application.

## MEDICAL FORM:

A medical form must be filled out and signed by your physician yearly. It must be returned to us at least 3 weeks prior to coming to camp. Medical Forms from other organizations/providers will NOT be accepted. **Campers will not be able to attend camp if we do not have a signed and updated medical form. Please make sure to download the new Medical Form as it has changed from years past.**

## CONFIRMATIONS:

You will receive an initial confirmation email shortly after you submit your application. This is merely a confirmation that your application has been received and **does not mean your registration spot has been secured.** Applications can take up to 3-4 weeks to be processed. Your registration is pending and still under review until the camper's "Summary" says "Enrolled-Main Camp" / "Enrolled-Primitive Camp" / "Enrolled-Travel Camp" underneath the session dates they are attending. You will receive a second email once your camper has been "enrolled" with more details. If you are requesting a campership, a campership aid form will be made available once your enrollment is confirmed.

## DELAYED REGISTRATION POLICY:

In order to better serve all individuals wanting to attend camp we will continue to follow the same delayed registration policy. If you receive a campership in excess of \$150 for the summer of 2017 and are requesting a campership in excess of \$150 for this year, your registration will not be processed until **March 15, 2018.** You are still eligible to attend, but will have a delayed registration.

The camp fee is due before attendance to camp. If you foresee difficulty paying the fee in full, please contact our Registrar to set up a payment plan. Camperships are available for those needing financial assistance with any amount of the fee. No camperships are available for the two week sessions and the Travel Programs. We would appreciate that everyone help us with financial arrangements as much as possible. This may include contacting area organizations for financial help or providing information about an applicant's typical income and expenses.

## OUR CAMPING SPOTS FILL RAPIDLY, SO COMPLETE YOUR ONLINE APPLICATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

Applications are processed in the order they are submitted,  
and sessions are filled on a first come first basis.

## QUESTIONS OR WANT A TOUR OF CAMP?

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### NEW PRE-PACKAGED MEDICATION POLICY:

Pre-Packaged Medications are now **REQUIRED** at Wisconsin Badger Camp. Please review the requirements for bringing medications to camp.

If you have any concerns or questions regarding these policies contact our office no later than a month prior to camp.

1. All regularly scheduled medications (*including over-the-counter medications*) **MUST** come in pharmacy pre- packed containers, and need to be clearly labeled with:

🌲 Camper Name

🌲 Drug Name and Strength

🌲 Current Dosage and Times given

2. **The camp medical staff require that you arrange for camper medications to be packaged in bubble- packed, pill -packed, or other pre-packaged forms from your pharmacy for their session at camp.** Please request this at the time of your camp medical exam, and if you have already had your exam, please make a simple call to your Primary Care Physician (PCP) to request **“your prescription and regularly taken over-the-counter medications/supplements be filled for the camp sessions of (dates) in bubble or pill packs.”** Most pharmacies are used to packaging medications in this manner, and will be able to do so for dates requested. Only use the multi-dose system when packaging medications. In a multi-dose system, each med time for each day has one container/compartment for all medications to be administered at that time.

3. No individual packaging techniques of any type (*including dads, opus, bottles, envelopes, or other systems that pack each medication separately*) will be accepted. The only exception will be liquid medications.

4. All medications (*prescription, over-the-counter, vitamins, supplements*), will be turned in and reviewed by the nurse during check-in.

5. Please provide enough medication for the duration of camp **plus 2 extra days.**

6. Please supply any specialty medication supplies necessary for the camper. (*Syringes, test strips, tubing, etc.*)

7. Unused medications/supplies will be returned on the day of departure.

8. If possible, please adjust camper's medication schedule to match camp's medication schedule. (*8A/12P/5P/8P*)

*We greatly appreciate your cooperation during this transitional period. We believe these new policies are in the best interest of our camper's health and safety. Please call our Camp Director, Katelyn Carr, with any questions.*





