

Families of Summer 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This summer we are committed as ever to creating a safe, fun, inclusive, and memorable camp experience. You are all in for a treat; All activities are a collective of fiction and non-fiction stories brought to life from diverse campers all over the world!

We are so very thankful that you will be entrusting us with your child this summer and looking forward to a great summer ahead.

This handbook contains useful information of which we want you and your camper to know so your camper's time with us is as enjoyable as possible.

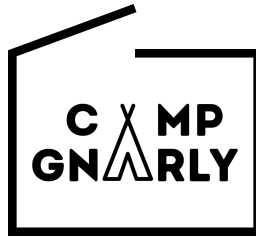
The handbook covers the following areas:

1. Important Reminders and Expectations
2. Our Policies and Procedures
3. Information to help prepare your camper (and you as the parent) for a fantastic summer at Camp Gnarly.

As you review this information, please contact us if you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions.

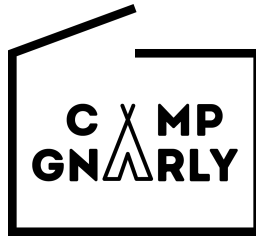
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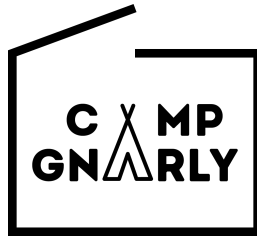


Overview

We provide children with a place they can call their own in our constantly changing world; where they become a part of a supportive, encouraging community, and where they understand not only their own rights and responsibilities but also appreciate and respect the rights of others.

Campers will get to learn and develop skills in activities they have never had the chance to participate in. Choose as many desired Specialties and receive one guaranteed per week. Choose as many desired Electives and receive one guaranteed per week consisting of our Whole Child Curriculum broken down into the five categories; (P)Physical, (SE)Social-Emotional, (COG)Cognitive, (COM)Communication, (S)Sensory.

We are a diverse community of campers and staff members, from many different cultures and backgrounds. We encourage each other to try new things, enjoy our favorite activities, grow in confidence and aid each other's accomplishments while building strong friendships that last a lifetime.



Camp Policies

1. **Cancellation/Refund Policy** -

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2. **Technology** - Devices are not permitted at camp. Upon special request, if you need your camper to have their device it will be stored away in the camp office and brought out during the time indicated.

3. **Behavior** - Students are expected to behave appropriately while at camp and in a safe manner. If a child becomes overly disruptive, unsafe to themselves and others around them, causes altercations, this is the plan implemented at Camp Gnarly:

Step 1 - Verbal discussion with the child and mediator, with notification to the parent(s) of the occurrence.

Step 2a- Director, parent, and child meet with the mediator.

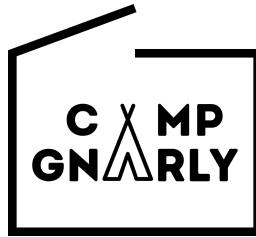
Step 2b- In case of altercations this would be the second step taken - Director, parent, child and whom that child has implicated harm upon with their family and the mediator. In the case one family does not want to meet with the other family; **Camp Gnarly reserves the right to dismiss that camper from the program whose family is dismissing the meeting of reconciliation.**

Step 3- Camper dismissed from the program.

NO REFUNDS OR CREDITS WILL BE GRANTED IN THESE SITUATIONS.

4. **Covid 19** - It is mandatory for you as the parent to fill out the Health Screening every day before drop off.

If your child presents symptoms during the day, your child will be removed from all other campers and you will receive a phone call to come and pick up your child. **Camp Gnarly reserves the right to request a negative test result at any given time with little to no notice.** If your child tests positive for Covid 19, he/she/they must be quarantined for 5 days. They can return to camp only



after isolating for 5 days, being fever-free for 24 hrs without the use of medication, AND are experiencing overall improvement in symptoms.

If the child showed symptoms but tested negative for Covid-19 they can return to camp only after being fever-free for 24 hrs without the use of medication AND overall symptoms are improving.

5. **Trips** - We are famous for having bizarre trips. We use yellow school buses, SUVs, minivans, and 15 passenger vans to shuttle our kids to and from the location. All children have seat belts and booster seats if required. Our trip days are every Friday unless indicated otherwise. All our trip prices are included in your weekly registration.

6. **Camp weeks**: Camp Gnarly runs for 6 weeks. **Monday-Friday July 1st - August 9th, 2024**. You can sign up from 1 to 6 weeks. We service campers aged (3-15).

7. **Fees:**

Early Drop off \$75 weekly. Drop off at 8 am.

Door-to-Door Transportation is \$175 weekly.

Door-to-door times will be texted to your family by our dispatcher on the Friday before your registered camp week.

Camp fees include enrollment for the week, Shuttle to all program areas, two T-Shirts, Trips, and camp lanyard.

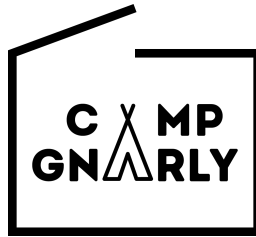
8. **Location**: Day Camp we have two locations in Crown Heights:

TEiAM Community Clubhouse
797 Sterling Place
Brooklyn NY 11216
Ages 3 - 5

Soccerroof Crown Heights
1700 Atlantic Avenue
Brooklyn NY 11213
Ages 4-15

Our pick-up and drop-off locations are at these locations. However we utilize other locations during the program day to make our specialties and electives come to life, these program areas are indicated in your camper's schedule and trip itinerary roster.

9. **Activities:**



Specialties for Season 2023 1 guaranteed per week:

Fishing, Aviation, Equestrian, Kayaking, Snowboarding / Skiing, Clay World, Ultimate Ninja, Flipping Class, Rock Climbing, Sky Dive,

Electives for Season 2023 1 guaranteed per week:

STEAM Activities, Photography & SB, Sandcastle, Muralistic, Good Samaritan, Sundae Monster, Nerf War, Candle Making, NYC Tourist, Cardboard Architecture

You cannot switch your specialties or electives mid-week, you are allotted two changes before **May 31, 2024**. If there is a necessary and immediate change needed to be made, we will try and make it happen.

10. **Lunch**- Campers will bring Lunch and Snack from home. We do not provide food.

11. **Sibling Discount**: Each sibling, eg: 1st Sibling Full Amount, 2nd Sibling -5% weekly rate discount. After payment, you will be reimbursed.

Pre-Camp Information

1. **Accounts and Paperwork** - All paperwork and payments are due at registration, if our staff needs updated paperwork, please submit it before the first scheduled day of your camper's attendance. If you have any questions or concerns about the paperwork or your account, please let us know.

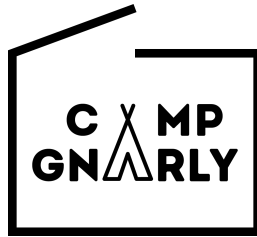
2. **Clothing** – All campers will receive two camp shirts. Any additional shirts needed can be purchased for \$20 each. Campers need to bring clothes that are comfortable and can get dirty.

Land Activities:

- Closed Toe Shoes
- Shorts
- Shirt
- Dress With Shorts Underneath
- Hat

Water Activities

- Rash Guard



- Bathing Suit / Swim Shorts
- Sunscreen
- Change of clothes
- Towel
- Hat
- Closed Toe Water Shoes (Crocs and Flip-Flops are unacceptable)
- A backpack with extra clothes, lunch/snacks, water bottle, sunscreen, bug spray is mandatory

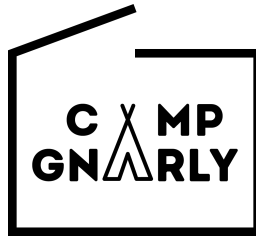
We are not responsible for damaged or missing items.

3. **Photographs of Campers** - We understand that photos are a big concern for many parents and that parents want to see photos of their camper(s) enjoying camp. Photos will be uploaded throughout the week on a private parent platform (Konstella). We also construct a virtual scrapbook at the end of camp for your family's memories.

4. **Sign-In/Sign-Out Procedures** for Camp Gnarly participants- Please do not leave your child on site before they are signed into or out of the care of the camp staff.

a. **Dropping Off** - Supervision begins at 9 am unless you are signed up for early drop-off. Participants may not be dropped off before the start time for which they are registered. Please come and sign in with your child. Information regarding daily activities and special events will be available at sign-in.

b. **Picking Up** - You must present a photo ID every time you pick up your child. No exceptions will be made; please inform every person you list as an approved pick-up person of the following policy. If your child will be picked up by someone other than the person who dropped them off, this needs to be indicated on the sign-in form with their full name, relationship to the child, and phone number. In fairness to our staff and the rest of the programs at our facility, you must pick your child up by 5 pm. A late fee of \$25 every 10 minutes accrued will be requested on the day of for late pick up after 5 pm. If late payment is not made, your child cannot return to camp until it is paid in full.



5. Custody/Persons Listed on Sign-in Form - In the best interest of the child, we ask for your cooperation in clearly defining custody terms in advance of registration so that there is no confusion on the part of the staff members or the child. The individual who registers the child is responsible for identifying the people approved to pick up; if an individual not listed on the registration form claims to have custodial rights, that person will have to show court documentation that proves those rights and under what conditions those rights exist. Staff members will consult with management and the authorities before making any changes.

6. Medical

Our Health Director provides first aid treatment for injuries requiring minimal care. Campers needing care beyond what we can provide are taken to the closest hospital. **We will contact you about your child's health during the day if:**

a. your camper has an injury or illness that removes them from activities for a prolonged period.

You will be notified immediately if:

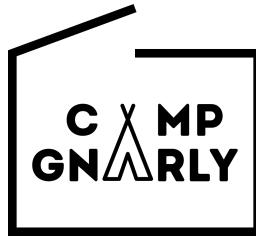
a. It is determined that your camper needs additional medical care away from camp. You will be provided updates as we are able to do so.

b. Your camper's illness, injury, or emotional health present concerns for their ability to have a positive experience at camp.

c. we feel there is a concern for your camper's mental health state.

7. Safety - Safety is our top priority, as evidenced by our excellent safety record. Significant measures of prevention and well-trained staff are key to a safe summer. All program-related activities contain an element of risk, including the unpredictable forces of nature; However, we try our best to minimize these risks and ensure the safest programs possible. A signed enrollment denotes that the parent/guardian and participant acknowledge this inherent risk. Additional waivers may be required for any offsite activities.

8. Health History and Insurance - Along with other paperwork, the campers Medical Form needs to be uploaded online. This is due at registration. The medical form needs to be dated within a year of your child coming to camp. Each camper must be covered by his/her family health insurance policy. Parents are responsible for payment of all medical charges of physicians, dentists, and hospitals.



9. Transportation Rules for Arrival & Departure

Camp Gnarly's primary concern is for the safety of the campers in our care. For that reason, we would like to bring attention to the following rules for our buses and vans. Thank you in advance for your understanding and for sharing this information with your camper.

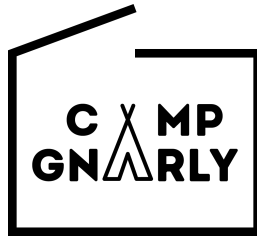
- No excessive noise or rowdiness.
- No horseplay.
- No body parts are permitted outside of the vehicle.
- In the case of buses, campers and staff are to remain in their seats and not standing in the aisles. When being transported in a camp vehicle (bus, van) all passengers must remain seated when the vehicle is moving.
- Make sure that all doors are locked before departing.
- Throwing litter from a vehicle is prohibited.
- Camper(s) are not to load or unload vehicles without the Camp Gnarly bus counselor.
- Throwing objects is prohibited.
- Playing music at a volume that distracts the driver is prohibited.
- Walking on a public street is prohibited unless accompanied by a Camp Gnarly staff member or approved by the parent.
- No parents are allowed on the bus.
- Behavior unacceptable in camp will not be tolerated outside of camp.

10. Communication Regarding Delays, Changes, and Emergencies.

If unforeseen circumstances or any kind of emergency may affect a scheduled pick-up or drop-off time or location Camp Gnarly's Transportation Dispatcher will post a message on Konstella or call the primary cell phone listed for each camper that may be affected. If the call is not answered, a voicemail will be left.

11. Konstella

Konstella is a web-and-mobile-based service that helps parent organizations streamline communications, and centralize information.



Camp Gnarly will be using Konstella as our main communication platform. On Konstella you will find your child schedule, transportation schedule, group, and our parent connect committee. This platform allows you to chat with other parents in your group and share pictures.

NO STAFF Member will be giving out their personal number to communicate with parents.

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The Parent Handbook is a reference for you to ensure your camper's success at Camp Gnarly and is subject to change with notice.