



JOLLY MADISON SAILING CLUB

Giving back through life-changing experiences

MEET OUR TEAM!



GABI
Sailing Instructor



CAITLIN
Sailing Instructor



VENESSA
STEM Educator

The past couple weeks we were fortunate enough to have hosted students from Young Life of Grand Rapids and Mision De Fe Church. During this session, 10 young sailors learned the importance of wind direction, knot tying, buoyancy, and several boat maneuvers. This incredible group prides themselves on mastering the names of different sailboat parts! By the end of their session, many of the students were able to navigate Lake Barlow on their own, enjoying the sailing experience with their peers.



"My favorite memory at Jolly Madison was driving the sailboat and jibing on Lake Barlow!"





After analyzing the anatomy of a sailboat, sailors designed their own cardboard boat - all were grateful to have practiced capsizing prior to racing the cardboard boats on the water!



Students studied the importance of wind and built anemometers to represent one way to test wind speed while sailing!




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Thank you for giving us an opportunity to learn how to sail and meet some awesome sailors. Thank you for all your help and donations!

My favorite part of this camp was capsizing on the boats!

- Abby ♥





Thank you to everyone who donated for our sailing camp. It was fun and I learned a lot about sailing, including how to sail by myself. Everything in the camp was lots of fun and I got to meet lots of new people. We did lots of lessons and experiments to test out things and objects in the lake and see the objects float or sink. It was lots of fun and hopefully we can return in the future.

THANK YOU for helping us giving us a chance to learn how to sail in the ~~club~~ B. I hope the next group likes it!

I liked the swimming part

YAY!

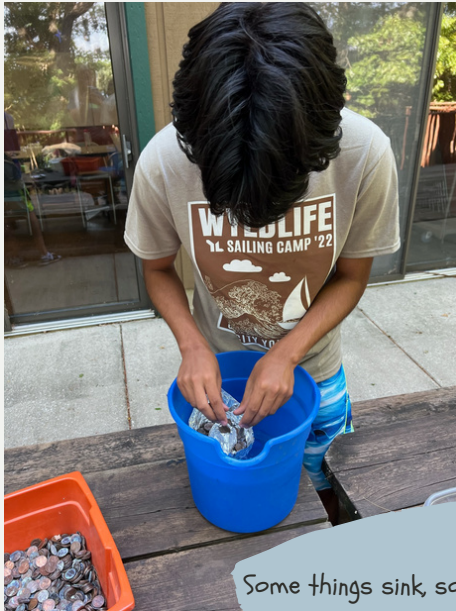
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Some things sink, some things float
- students learned the importance
of buoyancy on a vessel and tested
a tin foil boat with penny
passengers.



BILL SLEEMAN
Founder

"I would like to extend a very special thank you to all of our donors and supportive friends of Jolly that attended the fundraising event last month at Bistro Bellavita. Your support and contributions got us off to a great start this summer by blessing a wonderful group of kids from the Grand Rapids Young Life organization as well as a youth group from the Mision De Fe Assemblies of God church with the fundamentals of leadership and teamwork through the sport of sailing.

Venessa, Gabi, and Caitlin did a fantastic job of teaching the US Sailing STEM based program in a manner that the kids loved and had lots of fun!"

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as a leader, this has been a great opportunity for both me and my kids. Jolly Madison has provided a safe + fun environment that allows all of to be super adventurous. All of my student never been sailing until this experience. They learned new skills that pushed them out of their comfort zone with the results of smiles at the end of each day. ~ Mary Parlee, Young life

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