2024 Summer Camp Information and FAQs

Camp Weeks

Week 1: June 3-7 | Welcome Aboard Week 2: June 10-14 | Puerto Rico Week 3: June 17-21 | Cozumel Week 4: June 24-28 | At Sea

Week 5: July 1-3 (no camp July 4 & 5) | Brazil Week 6: July 8-12 | South Pacific - Polynesia Week 7: July 15-19 | South Pacific - Hawaii Week 8: July 22- 26 | A Recap of Our Excursions

Admissions

Our Savior Lutheran School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship programs, athletic and other school-administered programs.

Camp Goal

Our goal for Summer Camp at Our Savior is to provide a quality Christian camp experience for campers during the day. We look forward to partnering with your family this summer.

Camper Expectations

Campers will show respect...

- for themselves and their property.
- for others and their property.
- to counselors, staff, and other adults.
- and be considerate of the campus.

Age of Campers

- Jr Camp
 - If 2, Complete OSLS Preschool 2 Program
 - Must complete a tour of the campus with
 - our director of admissions before enrolling.
- Complete kindergarten through 5th grade

Campus

The Church and Business Office - You can

access these places from the parking lot located at 301 58th Street S.

Summer Camp and the School Office - You can access these places from the 5843 Fourth Avenue S entrance. Park on the mulch or grass.

Drop Off & Pick Up

- Drop Off and Pick Up Gate 1
 - There is a security camera and intercom button. Once you hit the button, we can see you.
 - If we recognize you, we will release the button.
 - If we do not recognize you, we will speak with you through the intercom.

Tuition and Fees

Weekly Rates per child:

- 7:30 am 8:45 am: Before Care \$15/wk
- 9:00 am 3:00 pm: Camp \$150/wk
- 3:15 pm 5:00 pm: After Care \$20/wk

General Schedule

• 9:00 am Centers

1:00 pm

- 9:30 am Circle Time
- 10:00 am Snack Time (brought from home)
- 10:15 am Bible Activity or Chapel (Wed)
- 10:45 am Recess
- 11:15 am Theme Activity
- 12:00 pm Lunch (brought from home)
- 12:30 pm Recess
 - Theme Activity (Jr Campers Rest)
- 3:00 pm Pick Up

Payments

Q: What is Our Savior's Federal Tax ID Number?

A: 59-1156402

Q: Can I cancel my week of camp?

A: No, you may swap a week of camp if the other week is available.

Q: Am I responsible for all summer camp fees after verification?

A: Yes. In addition, parents are financially responsible for all necessary and reasonable costs

and attorneys' fees, which the school may incur should it be required to refer to the summer camp account for collection.

Q: What happens if I pick up my child late?

A: Our camp program closes at 5:00 p.m. Campers picked up after 5:00 p.m. will be charged \$5.00 for the first 5 minutes, or any part thereof; and \$1.00 per minute after 5:05 p.m. This fee will be billed to your account to pay for staff waiting with your child. *Please be mindful of our staff's need to leave at their scheduled departure time.*

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Health Policy

Medication – Children needing medications must have written authorization <u>from the doctor and</u> <u>parent.</u> This includes over the counter as well as prescription medications. All prescription medication must be in the original container and labeled with the child's name, and a medication form located in the office needs to be filled out with dosage, and instructions.

Q: In the event of an emergency, how will my child be cared for at Our Savior?

A: Counselors will give basic first aid. If a head injury occurs, parents will be called. If 911 is needed, 911 will be called.

• <u>Minor injuries</u> sustained are handled by the camp staff. Soap, water, band-aids and ice will be the extent of the first aid administered. An accident report form will be filed for each injury after being signed by the parent.

• In the case of **serious injury**, the parent will be notified immediately and emergency procedures as prescribed by the parent on the child's registration form will be implemented.

Q: What do I do if my child has allergies?

A: While that information should already be submitted with immunization records, PLEASE

Frequently Asked Questions

Communication

Q: If I have a concern, who do I tell?

A: (1) If the concern is with the counselor, speak with the counselor. (2) If the concern is with the camp in general, speak to the director. (3) If the concern is unable to be resolved, the director will organize a meeting with the parent, OSLS employee, and if needed, the principal.

Q: How do I contact the camp director?

A: You may call the school office (phone number listed on page one of this document) and we will see if the director is available. You may also email the director (email provided on page one of this document.

Discipline and Safety

Q: What if my child does not know anyone?

A: Counselors know this could be difficult so they create opportunities that interest children and get them comfortable.

Q: How do camp counselors handle discipline?

A: Our philosophy is to help students learn from poor choices. We redirect students into better

make sure that information is shared on the first day your child attends camp. We will be asking for it in writing and placing an allergies list in each classroom for easy access.

Q: What do I do if my child has a medical condition?

A: It is the responsibility of the parent or guardian to share any medical conditions that Our Savior should be aware of before allowing the camper to participate in any activities? If yes, please ask for a special medical history questionnaire in our school office.

Q: Do you need my child's birth certificate and immunization record?

A: Yes, we need these two items. Bring the original and we will make a copy to file in the office.

Q: What if my child is sick?

A If your child is sick, or becomes ill at school, they will be isolated and you will be called to pick up your child. Children who have a fever (100 degrees or higher) will need to stay home until they are <u>fever free without medication for 24</u> <u>hours</u>. There will be no refunds for illness, or any other reason for absence.

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Q: What is the safety and security like at camp?

A: The gates are locked at all times. Campers can only be released to individuals on the emergency list. **If you send another person**, please have them <u>bring ID and let the camp director know</u> of the change in pick up. It is best if you alert the camp staff when there will be a different person picking up so we can update your emergency pick up list.

Q: Will there be field trips or assemblies?

A: The campers (K and older) will have weekly field trip off campus or an assembly on campus. There will <u>not</u> be weekly field trips for the jr. campers.

Items Needed vs. Provided

Q: Will there be daily devotions?

A: Camp counselors lead a daily devotion related to the fruits of the spirit with praise songs and a short message from God's Word, the Bible. We will

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have a weekly fruit of the spirit as a focus for the week. We will also have a weekly chapel on Wednesdays.

Q: Does my child need to bring a backpack?

A: Yes, your child should have a backpack and bring a water bottle, lunch, morning snack, and if needed a change of clothes every day.

Q: What if my child loses personal articles or money brought to camp?

A: OSLS is not responsible for the loss of personal articles or money brought to camp.

Q: Is snack provided and when is snack served?

A: You may pack your child with a snack for morning snack at 9:30 am. We will provide a snack shack at 2:30 pm, and if your child is in aftercare, a snack and a drink at 4:00 pm.

Q: Will my child need a water bottle?

A: Yes, your child should bring a water bottle each day. It will be returned home daily so it can be washed and sanitized. Please label it with your child's name.

Q: Do I send my child's lunch?

A: Yes, please pack it with ice packs to keep it cold or a thermos to keep warm until lunch time at 11:30 pm. We do not have access to a Microwave or refrigerator for all students to keep their lunches.

Q: Should I apply sunscreen on my child before camp?

A: Please apply sunscreen on your child each morning prior to coming to camp.

Q: Will teachers apply sunscreen during the day?

A: Teachers will apply sunscreen to preschoolers if needed during camp. Teachers will oversee K-5th graders who may need to reapply sunscreen during camp.

Q: Will there be water play days?

A: Yes, children in **Jr Camp** (2 - 5 yr olds) will have one water play day per week at Our Savior weather permitting.

Q: Will my child go to the swimming pool?

A: Yes, children in **Camp** (*K-5th grade*) will have one pool day per week. In the event that the local pool is unavailable, we will try to offer water play at Our Savior.

Rest Time and Down Time

Q: Is there a daily rest time for campers?

A: Yes, these students that are in our **Jr Camp** need to bring a blanket and lovey. Cots are used for rest time. We will send dirty cot sheets home with you on Fridays to get cleaned and return the following week on Mondays.

Q: Can my child bring technology items to camp?

A: No, those items are not useful at camp. If they are brought, those items need to be turned into the camp director at arrival and picked up at departure.

Q: What is rest time? Does my child have to sleep?

A: Rest time is a period in the afternoon when we all take a little rest. Jr. campers will be provided with cots and are encouraged to stretch out and rest.

Q: Will my camper (K and older) get some down time?

A: Regular campers have brain breaks with time to read or engage in individual, quiet activities.

Q: Will my child be watching TV or playing computer games at camp?

A: Time viewing TV or playing computer games is very limited at OSLS summer camp. We do have short videos with songs and dance to get the kids moving. We also have short videos demonstrating science experiments, sharing storytime devotional songs, and books. Occasionally, counselors will allow movie time.

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