

Wild Child Day Camp Policies: Parent/Guardian Authorizations

CANCELLATION/WITHDRAWAL POLICY:

All cancellation requests must be submitted by email directly to Childreach at daycamp@childreach.on.ca with subject line "Withdrawal Request" followed by your camper's first and last name. Refunds may take 2-3 weeks. Cancellations received seven days prior to the date booked are subject to a cancellation fee of 20%. We cannot refund Eventbrite fees. No refunds will be issued for cancellations with less than one week's notice. Any refund requests received fewer than seven days prior to the affected camp session or during a camp session will not qualify for a refund. A doctor's note is required for cancellations due to medical reasons.

Childreach reserves the right to cancel any program where registration numbers are not adequate to run an effective program. Childreach may also cancel programs under the recommendation or orders of Public Health and/or the Government of Ontario. If we are cancelling a camp session for any reason, families will be notified as far in advance as possible. Options for a refund or transfer to another site or date will be addressed at the time.

Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

ILLNESS POLICY:

Our COVID-19 policy will be in line with the recommendations and expectations of Public Health Ontario and Middlesex London Health Unit. If our policies or practices change as a result of Public Health Recommendations, families will be notified as soon as possible about the change.

If your child is experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 or your child or family is otherwise required to self-isolate, please do not bring them to camp. If your child is experiencing symptoms of any illness (e.g. cough, sore throat, fever, gastrointestinal symptoms) that could impact the well-being of campers and staff or impact your child's camp experience, we ask that they be kept home until they are well enough to attend. We also encourage precautionary mask use, distancing, and handwashing to prevent the spread of illness in the case of minor symptoms.

If Wild Child Day Camp staff observe symptoms of COVID-19 or illness, or if your child becomes ill (e.g. fever, gastrointestinal symptoms), we will contact parents/guardians to discuss the specific concern and assess next steps. If the child is unable to remain at camp, we will have them rest in a monitored resting space until their parent or authorized contact arrives.

Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION

To the best of my knowledge, this participant does not have a communicable disease, has not been in contact with anyone who has a communicable disease within 3 weeks of the program start date, and is physically able to participate in all program activities except as indicated. All medical problems, or conditions requiring ongoing medical supervision or care, have been fully noted.

In permitting my child to attend “day camp” programming operated by Childreach. I, the undersigned, in the event of an accident or illness affecting the child indicated on this form, authorize all procedures, including admission to the hospital and necessary treatment herein, as deemed essential for the care and well-being of said child. Such action is to be taken only when immediate contact with the undersigned or other indicated authorized contacts cannot be made. This also allows permission for the staff to contact the participant’s family physician/specialist. (Please inform your physician/specialist that you have given this authorization). I, hereby, certify that all information completed in this form is accurate and up to date. I will contact the staff in writing if any changes occur in the participant’s health status between now and arrival at the program as well as during the program.

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Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print) **Parent/Guardian Signature** **Date**

INFORMED CONSENT:

The Childreach Wild Child Day Camp supports risky play and recognizes the importance of child-led, inquiry and play based learning.

During the camp day, your child will have many opportunities to explore nature and engage in risky play. Risky play is the type of play children see as thrilling and exciting, where the possibility of physical injury may exist, but where they can recognize and evaluate challenges according to their own ability. Risky play provides opportunities for challenge, testing limits, exploring boundaries and learning about injury and risk.

These opportunities carry an inherent level of risk and include, but are not limited to:

- **Climbing trees**
- **Playing outdoors in rain, heat, cold and snow**
- **Playing near or in shallow bodies of water**

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- **Rough and tumble play** with other children (following the identified rules for such hands on play)
- **Playing with sticks, rocks, ropes and wood**
- **Creating small fires** (at an appropriate level, and in an appropriate place)
- **Using hand tools** (with assistance and supervision)
- **Building temporary shelters** (with wood and other materials found outdoors)
- **Moving along uneven terrain** (which may include icy/slippery areas; rocky areas; muddy areas and areas with deadfall)
- **Sliding down steep hills** (with mud, grass, dirt and branches)
- **Handling wildlife** (not limited to, snakes, frogs, toads and newts)
- **Balancing on logs** (over both land and bodies of water)
- **Hiking, walking and running on and off the trails in the forest**

An important part of the Childreach Wild Child Day Camp is that children get to experience the outdoors no matter what the weather. Nature exploration involves an element of risk that includes, but is not limited to, cuts, scrapes, burns, strains, sprains, breaks, bruises, insect bites, poison ivy and allergic reactions.

I agree to allow my child to participate in all activities described above and acknowledge/understand the defined risks involved in these activities.

I feel that I have been adequately informed of the risks involved and I have had the opportunity to ask clarifying questions to further my understanding of these risks.

I freely and voluntarily agree to enroll my child in this program.

I have discussed appropriate camper conduct and camp safety with my child, and we understand that reasonable and appropriate attempts will be made to resolve any concerns related to safety concerns or camper behaviour. We understand that the safety and well-being of the campers and staff at Wild Child Day Camp is priority for an enjoyable and successful summer, and that Wild Child Day Camp reserves the right to ask for campers to be picked up for the day or removed from camp if necessary.

I hereby consent to and authorize Childreach Wild Child Day Camp staff to administer care/first aid to stabilize and/or improve any injury that my child may have sustained during any activities.

Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

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Information Review Signature Sheet (only to be used upon child's return to camp within calendar year, if changes to the Participant Information form are made)

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