

A Diverse Community that Empowers Kids to
Explore and Thrive



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Parent Handbook

Summer 2019

Camp Hours: Monday – Friday: 9 am – 4 pm

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Welcome Letter

THANK YOU FOR CHOOSING CAMP MOE!!!

We appreciate the fact that you trust us with your child this summer. The information in this handbook will help you understand how to prepare your child for an unforgettable camp experience!

We will of course contact you if we have any issues, and you should always feel free to contact us.

See you this summer!



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'KMB'.

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Camp Guidelines

1. I will always do my best and HAVE FUN while at camp.
2. I will challenge myself to try new things.
3. I will listen and follow all directions from staff.
4. I will keep my hands to myself (unless it is part of a game or activity) and not cause physical or emotional harm to any other camper.
5. I will use appropriate language at all times.
6. I will be honest.
7. I will respect camp properties and supplies, as well as another campers' property.
8. I will respect all staff and campers.
9. I will stay in assigned areas.
10. I will be a positive role model for all campers at Camp MOE.

Unit Names

Grade Camper will be Entering in the Fall 2019:	Unit:
1st Grade (or turn 5 by June 1, 2019)	Micmac
2nd Grade	Chippewa
3rd Grade	Pawnee
4th Grade	Seneca
5th Grade	Mohegan
6th Grade	Seminole
7th Grade	Cherokee
8th, 9th Grade	Comanche
10th Grade	CIT Program
Teens/Young adults with Special Needs, Ages 16 – 21 Program held at 314 Main St. Torrington	Teen Trekks

Activities Calendar - 2019

All events & dates are subject to change.

SESSION 1				
Monday, June 24	Tuesday, June 25	Wednesday, June 26	Thursday, June 27	Friday, June 28
First Day of Camp		Wacky Wednesday: Sabotage Day	Family Night Picnic & Campfire	Color Wars
Monday, July 1	Tuesday, July 2	Wednesday, July 3	Thursday, July 4	Friday, July 5
		Wacky Wednesday: Dress as Your Birthday Month	Red/White/Blue Day	Showcase
SESSION 2				
Monday, July 8	Tuesday, July 9	Wednesday, July 10	Thursday, July 11	Friday, July 12
Penny Wars ***Bring a White T-Shirt for Olympic Teams***		Wacky Wednesday: Pirate Day	Overnight (Pawnee - CIT) & Stay Late Night (Micmac - Comanche)	
Monday, July 15	Tuesday, July 16	Wednesday, July 17	Thursday, July 18	Friday, July 19
		Wacky Wednesday: Sports Day	Olympics	Showcase
SESSION 3				
Monday, July 22	Tuesday, July 23	Wednesday, July 24	Thursday, July 25	Friday, July 26
Non-Perishable Food Drive		Wacky Wednesday: Safari Day	Overnight (Pawnee - CIT) & Stay Late Night (Micmac - Comanche)	
Monday, July 29	Tuesday, July 30	Wednesday, July 31	Thursday, August 1	Friday, August 2
Non-Perishable Food Drive		Wacky Wednesday Costume Day	MOE DAY	Showcase MOE DAY Rain Date
SESSION 4				
Monday, August 5	Tuesday, August 6	Wednesday, August 7	Thursday, August 8	Friday, August 9
		Wacky Wednesday: Mismatch Day		Wet n Wild Day
Monday, August 12	Tuesday, August 13	Wednesday, August 14	Thursday, August 15	Friday, August 16
		Wacky Wednesday: Tie-Dye Day	Camp MOE Spirit Day Family Night Picnic & Campfire	Showcase Last Day of Camp

General Policies & Procedures

Absences and Tardiness

Please call the camp office before 8:00am if your child will be absent or late for the day. Late arrivals must report to the camp office before joining their group. Please note that you may have to wait with your child until a staff member is available to meet him or her.

To ensure your child's safety, our staff will contact you if your child is absent without prior notification.

What to Bring to Camp

Campers should bring the following items to camp daily in a backpack which needs to be labeled with the camper's name.

Clothing/Supplies:

- Comfortable play clothes are recommended. No midriff shirts please.
- Sweatshirt and raincoat for cool or wet days are required.
- Bathing suits are required daily.
 - Girls are encouraged to wear one-piece bathing suits.
- Insect Repellent
- Water Bottle
- Sunscreen
- Towel
- Closed-toed athletic shoes.
 - Sandals or water shoes may be BROUGHT to camp for water activities only.

Please be advised, campers wearing shirts containing immoral graphics, etc. will be sent home.

Lunch:

- Education Connection Lunch
 - Lunch will be provided free of charge to all campers through Education Connection, pending approval from the federal government. Check our website in May 2019 for more information regarding this program.
- Lunch from Home
 - Please pack in a paper or plastic bag labeled with the camper's name and unit. Lunches are stored in a refrigerator. **Please do not send large lunch bags or coolers.**
 - If possible, please do not send your camper with peanut butter or peanut products to camp.

What to Leave at Home

- Campers are responsible for their own belongings. Campers are not permitted to bring sports equipment & musical instruments (unless otherwise directed) knives, weapons. We strongly discourage campers from bringing money, toys, or other personal items.

Electronics No-Use Policy

- Unless approved by the director, electronics are not to be brought to camp.

Camp MOE is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged items.

Tick Policy

- It is your responsibility to check your child for ticks every day.

Transportation

Photo ID must be shown every time a designated person picks up a child from camp or the bus stop. If someone is not authorized or shows up without an ID, they will not be allowed to pick up the child.

Routes	Pick-Up/Drop Off Locations
Beaver Bus	Harvest Baptist Church - New Hartford Future Foundations - Torrington St. Peter/St. Francis School - Torrington
Raccoon Bus	Stop & Shop Parking Lot - Winsted Ocean State Job Lot - Torrington
Deer Bus	Immaculate Conception Church - Harwinton Litchfield Firehouse - Litchfield

Swimming & Swim Tests

All campers must take a swim test on their first day of camp to assess their swimming abilities. Campers are grouped by ability for swim lessons. Each child will participate in daily swim lessons and have the option of participating in free swim. **It is our expectation that children will participate in swim lessons unless they have a note from a parent excusing them.**

- Red Swimmer – Beginner, Non Swimmer
- Purple Swimmer – Advanced Beginner/Low Intermediate Swimmer
Able to do two laps in the deep water (2 crawl) (Free swim will be in the red section.)
- Blue Swimmer – Intermediate Swimmer
Able to swim four (4) laps in the deep end (2 crawl, 2 camper choose)
- Green Swimmer – Advanced Swimmer
Able to swim eight (8) laps in the deep end (2 crawl, 2 back, 2 breast and 2 camper choose)

All campers can be retested during their session at camp after discussion with the director.

CODE OF CONDUCT

- Camp MOE is intentionally designed to encourage success-building skills in children with an emphasis on respect and responsibility. Please be clear with you children that he/she should be on their best behavior while at camp! Safety is our #1 priority. Each child will be treated as an individual and we will address all behavioral issues! Behavior that is disruptive to the community may result in dismissal.
- We have zero tolerance for violence, aggression towards others, bullying, drugs, tobacco, alcohol and weapons of any kind. **There is no camper refund for any child sent home for disciplinary reasons.**