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## Welcome to Camp Skyline!

Thank you for being a part of summer 2012! We are so happy that your daughter will be sharing with us the fun and excitement of our 66th summer here at Skyline! Over the years, Camp Skyline has impacted the lives of thousands of young girls, and we look forward to another rewarding summer. We are aware of the great responsibility we have undertaken, and we appreciate the trust you have placed in us by sending your child to our camp. We accept this trust with deep concern and a commitment to do everything we can to provide your child with an exciting and rewarding camp experience.

Preparing for time at camp is very important, and we want to make this process easier for you to ensure a successful and positive camp experience. Enclosed in your packet are this Parent Handbook, Remittance and Package Order Form, Health Form, Trip Waivers, and your personal invoice.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact us anytime via phone (1-800-448-9279) or email at [info@campskyline.com](mailto:info@campskyline.com). Thank you again for allowing your daughter to spend time with us this summer and we look forward to a great camp season!

Your camp family,

Larry and Sally Johnson  
Alisa Gillis  
Wendy Spillman  
Lindsey Gallaher  
Molly Parker

### Your Summer 2012 Checklist:

- Read the Parent Handbook thoroughly and contact us with any questions
- Return in provided envelope the completed remittance form
- Complete your camper's Health Information File by June 1st
  - Health Form-A parent or guardian must complete the enclosed health form
  - Doctor Form-A licensed Physician must complete page 3 of your health form. Be sure they sign and date it.
  - Insurance card-Fax (256-634-3018) or mail (P.O. Box 287 Mentone, AL 35984) a front and back copy of your insurance card
  - Immunization Records-While there is a section on the health form to list this, some parents find it easier to simply obtain a copy of these records and staple them to the health form. We accept this, just make sure you don't forget to mail it with your form. ☺
- Make sure all cabin requests are made known in writing to our front office by May 1<sup>st</sup>

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# What To Bring To Camp

## What a Girl Needs At Skyline

The following is for a 2 week session.

Mini campers and 4 week campers should pack accordingly:

- \_Sturdy Trunk (max 17" h)
- \_Twin mattress pad
- \_1 Pillow
- \_2 Pillowcases
- \_2 Blankets
- \_2 sets of twin sheets
- \_5 Towels
- \_1 Swim Towel (optional)
- \_5 Washcloths
- \_Bathrobe
- \_2 Laundry bags
- \_14 Shorts
- \_14 Shirts
- \_Underclothes
- \_Socks
- \_Rain jacket with hood
- \_2 Swimsuits
- \_Sweatshirt
- \_3 pairs of pajamas
- \_2 pairs of athletic shoes
- \_Water shoes (with backs)
- \_Rain boots/shoes
- \_Flip-flops for showering
- \_Toilet articles
- \_Bucket for shower items
- \_Film Camera (not digital)
- \_Stationary and stamps
- \_Water bottle
- \_Bible
- \_Sleeping bag
- \_Flashlight
- \_Shoe bag with pockets (hanging style, optional but nice)
- \_1 pair of White shorts\*
- \_1 pair of Navy shorts\*
- \_1 White shirt\*
- \_1 outfit for dance night\*
- \_2 pairs of riding pants or jeans for riding
- \_Hard-soled shoes **with heels** for riding\*\*
- \_Club outfit (available at camp)\*\*\*

## Things not allowed at camp:

Cell phone	Aerosol Spray
I-Touch	Shoes without backs
I-Pad/Tablet	Digital Camera
Kindle Fire	Large box fan
Laptop	
Electronic games	Personal sports equipment
Items that access internet, draw excess electricity, etc.	

## Things we suggest to leave at home as we cannot be responsible for these items if misplaced:

I-Pod, I-Home, E-Readers, CD's, CD players, jewelry, fine clothes, anything that you would be devastated if misplaced.

## \*Special Occasion Clothing :

Sunday – One all-white outfit. T-Shirt and shorts are fine. (This does not apply to Opening Days or Mini Campers)

Flag Raising – One pair of navy shorts and a white shirt. Each cabin will have the opportunity to lead morning flag raising which means every camper needs this outfit.

Dance night – Each session we have a dance with the local boys camp. This is an informal dance and campers generally wear sundresses, skirts, or even shorts and T-Shirts. Please remember that you still have to wear shoes with backs and we ask that you leave any immodest clothing at home. (Does not apply to Mini Campers)

Talent night – Bring any special costumes, props, musical instruments, etc if you plan to enter. Note about music—all music to be used in talent night will be screened by an admin. Make sure it is appropriate so your camper does not have to change their act at the last minute.

1<sup>st</sup> session – Miss Skyline Pageant—the sillier the better!

2<sup>nd</sup> session – 4<sup>th</sup> of July—bring your red, white and blue!

3<sup>rd</sup> session – Christmas in July—show your holiday spirit with red and green

4<sup>th</sup> session – Skyline VMA's (Video Music Awards)—rolling out the red carpet and you become the stars in town! Bring any fun costumes, dress up stuff, etc! Get creative!

## \*\*If your child plans to take horseback riding:

For the protection of your child, riding boots or hard-soled shoes with a definite heel are **REQUIRED** for participation in horseback riding classes. Please double check to make sure you pack them. Please do not put us in the position of having to refuse your child the pleasure of riding because of lack of proper foot attire. Shoes or boots which have firm, hard coverings offer protection far beyond other soft bodied shoes. A heel which prevents the shoe or boot from sliding too deeply into the stirrup can prevent the foot from becoming dangerously wedged.

## \*\*\* A Note about Club Outfits

Every camper will need one club outfit which is available at the T-Shirt Corral. The outfit includes a uniform T-Shirt commonly referred to as the "Skyline, Skyline, Skyline" T-Shirt and shorts in the color of their club. Since first year campers do not know what club they are in until later on Opening Day, we suggest stopping by during check-in to get your T-Shirt and get fitted for your shorts. Later that evening all first year campers will come back by to get their correct club color.

## Packing Tips & Ideas:

1. Mark all items clearly with camper's name.
2. Pack your daughter's clothes in a footlocker or trunk.
3. Keep your daughter's best clothes including favorite shorts, shirts or jeans at home. At camp clothes often get dirty, worn, and sometimes misplaced.
4. For everyday footwear send sturdy shoes with backs. Athletic shoes or other sturdy lace up shoes are best to protect against twisted ankles and stumped toes. Campers are also asked to wear socks to prevent blisters. (Exception: Campers will need flip flops for shower time and water shoes for swimming)
5. A good flashlight is a necessity at camp, so don't skip that on the packing!
6. A small plastic bucket will be helpful in carrying shampoo and other items to the shower.
7. Large 2-gallon zip lock bags are great to use in packing a day's clothing (shirt, shorts, underwear, and socks). This is especially helpful for the younger camper!
8. It is a good idea for first year campers to bring one red, blue and green t-shirt for club related activities. Once they find out what club they are in, additional items are available for purchase at the T-Shirt Corral.
9. The hanging shoe bag listed is optional but very nice to have. Campers hang them over the side of their bunks for easy access to smaller items such as stationary, brush, sunscreen, etc. This saves time searching through their trunks and keeps the cabin areas tidy.
10. Remember that for 2-week campers laundry goes out mid-session so no need to fret if your camper tends to dirty more clothes than most! ☺

# Health Form

All campers are required to have a complete health information file by June 1<sup>st</sup>. Please understand that not having all parts of the health form completed and sent to Skyline PRIOR to arrival will cause check-in delays on Opening Day. Your health information file should have the following:

- Health History—A parent or guardian must complete the enclosed health form and mail it to us by June 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Doctor form—A licensed Physician must complete page 3 of your health form. Be sure they sign and date it.
- Insurance card—Fax (256-634-3018) or mail (P.O. Box 287 Mentone, AL 35984) a front and back copy of your insurance card.
- Immunization Records—While there is a section on the health form to list this, some parents find it easier to simply obtain a copy of these records and staple them to the health form. We accept this, just make sure you don't forget to mail it with your form. ☺
- Please note the PARENT AUTHORIZATION: in the event of any emergency, if this is unsigned, the child cannot be treated until the medical facility has phone authorization from you. It is our policy to contact you as soon as possible in case of serious illness or accident. The DeKalb Regional Medical Center is 20 minutes away.

## Who will have access to my camper's health information?

Only Camp Skyline's health staff will have access to camper medical information and the security, confidentiality and privacy of your child's health information will always be protected.

# Policies

## Packages

Camp Skyline will cheerfully deliver **letters only in a No. 10 envelope or smaller** through our camp post office. Care packages (including oversized envelopes, padded envelopes, and boxes) will be returned to sender. The only exceptions are birthdays and necessary items, which will need prior approval. Care packages will not be accepted on mini closing days.

## Food in Cabins

In order to reduce the risk of your child having unwanted pests such as insects and mice, food and candy are not allowed inside any cabin; this includes treats from Beli Deli. We reserve the right to confiscate these items if found in the cabins or in mailings to your camper.

## Cell Phone, I-Touch, Computers, etc.

An unplugged experience is one of the most valuable aspects of Camp. In an effort to preserve this, Cell phones, I-Touches, I-Pads/tablets, laptops, and other such devices are not allowed. If a camper is found with one of the above mentioned items it will be confiscated, and the camper may be sent home.

## Cabin Mate Requests

At Skyline we want to create an environment that encourages new friendships. Campers may request **two** cabin mates if their age and grade level allow and if all parents of campers request it. We seek to honor non-conflicting camper requests although we reserve the right to final assignment decisions. We have a limit of no more than four girls from the same hometown together so that no group of girls overwhelms the cabin. Please understand that if there is a larger group from your hometown coming the same session, they will have to be divided among cabins. All cabin requests need to be made known in writing to our camp administration by May 1<sup>st</sup>. No cabin changes will be made on Opening Day.

## Pets

Personal pets are not allowed at camp. **Please do not bring pets on opening and closing days.**

## Weapons, Tobacco, Alcohol and Non-Prescription Drugs

The use of weapons, tobacco, alcohol, or non-prescription drugs in any form is not permitted at Skyline. We reserve the right to do a search at anytime for all of the above. The Director will dismiss any girl who violates this rule. It is a sad experience when a girl is sent home from camp, but this is our camp policy and we consider this an inflexible rule. Prescription drugs must be administered by our camp nurse and may not be kept in the cabin.

## Insurance

Accident insurance is included in the camp fee, as long as charges are reasonable and customary. This is not a deductible policy. **ANY DOCTOR OR DRUGGIST BILLS INCURRED AS A RESULT OF ILLNESS WILL BE MAILED DIRECTLY TO THE PARENTS OR DEDUCTED FROM THE CAMPER'S SPENDING MONEY ACCOUNT.**

# Preparing for Camp

Most children adjust to Camp very quickly. Usually extra care and attention from the counselors and her friends, and cheerful letters from home are all it takes to help an uneasy child settle down to the Camp routine quickly. It is important that parents begin to prepare their daughters before the Camp season actually begins. The following are some ideas and suggestions for making this year's Camp experience a positive one:

1. Talk about Camp a lot – New friends and fun activities that she will enjoy. Prepare your daughter for being away at Camp by encouraging her to spend a night or weekend with friends or relatives prior to Camp.
2. Reassure your daughter that you will write often and keep that promise! Short and cheerful letters are best. It's a real boost for a camper to have mail waiting for her upon her arrival at Camp. No packages please.
3. The more children know about Camp Skyline, the more secure they feel. Seeing pictures of Camp or watching the Camp DVD helps the child to become familiar with the Camp surroundings and facilities.
4. Meeting other girls going to Camp Skyline from your local area will also help.
5. Your daughter should know all about the summer plans of those at home. Parents who will be out of town should let the camp know when and where they can be reached.
6. Spending extra time with your daughter concerning choosing outfits (this is where the zip lock bag comes in handy for packing – see packing tips section), grooming habits, making the bed, folding clothes, etc. will be very helpful to your daughter at Camp.
7. Have her "practice" taking a shower and washing her hair in the shower, if this is not her normal bathing procedure.



## Homesickness

As a parent, your attitude will have a great influence on how your child feels about leaving home, particularly if it is for the first time. We would like to share some thoughts on how you can make a positive contribution to the transition from home life to camp life.

Children love to receive mail from parents and friends...so write your child. Please remember to keep your letters cheerful and positive...don't share the "bad news" with them. You might even send mail a few days early so that your child will have some mail the first day of mail call. If your child is young you might want to prepare some self-addressed envelopes or cards to make mailing easier from camp. The children are encouraged to write home, but please consider "mail transit time" and know that it will be a few days before you receive your first letter.

It is natural for children to experience some degree of homesickness when they first arrive at camp. The majority of them quickly adjust to camp life, begin to make new friends and get into the swing of camp activities.

Some children require a little longer to adjust, and you may receive one or two homesick letters. **REMEMBER THAT BY THE TIME YOU RECEIVE THE LETTER THE HOMESICKNESS HAS PROBABLY ALREADY PASSED!** Once we realize that a camper is not adjusting, the Directors and Counselors will work with the child to help in the adjustment process. We will try to find out if there might be a problem at camp that is upsetting the child (a particular activity, another camper, no mail, etc.). If we are not successful, we will call the parents and discuss the best course of action to take. **YOUR SUPPORT** on our behalf is **IMPERATIVE** for your child's adjustment and results in her self-confidence. She'll be able to say, "I made it!" (and she'll want you to be proud of her too!)

Here are some helpful hints:

1. Let your daughter know that it's a normal feeling and the best cure is to get busy enjoying the activities at camp.
2. Make your farewells brief. Don't linger and say long and sad good-byes.
3. Write letters every day. This is extremely important!
4. If things are not fine at home, please talk to the Camp Director in confidence. The stress that your child may be suffering can be greatly minimized by an informed staff.
5. Please don't tell your daughter that you'll come pick her up if she doesn't like camp. If you do so, we are defeated before we ever start. It is a great help to the Directors and Counselors if the child knows that you expect the stay at camp to be for the entire session. Tell her that she should share her feelings with her counselor and that they will help her if she becomes homesick! Assure her that she will get over the feeling!
6. Parents should also be aware that **YOU** will also feel "homesick" for your children, and this is also normal! In fact, we actually find more **HOMESICK PARENTS** than children each summer!!

# Frequently Asked Questions

## *What are your office hours during a camp session?*

Our office staff is happy to help you between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Central Time. Please remember our phone is for camp business and emergency use and not available to campers. If you feel it is necessary to talk with one of the Directors, simply call and leave a message with office personnel. Since our Directors are directly involved with camp operations and out in camp all day, they will have to get back with you either that evening or the next morning. Any emergency calls made to campers must be cleared through the Director.

## *Do you have a Visitor's Day?*

We do not. In order to allow the camp schedule to run smoothly without interruption, we choose to not have a Visitor's Day. In our experience, this choice also helps prevent mid-session homesickness and your cooperation is requested in adhering to this policy. If your child is staying with us 4 or more weeks, you may visit at the end of 2 weeks if you make arrangements in advance.

## *May I call my child while they are at camp?*

Our campers communicate with their parents via handwritten letters. We do this not only because letter sharing is a fun part of the camp experience, but also because past experience proves that phone communication with parents harbors homesickness. For this reason, campers are not able to receive or make telephone calls during camp, either from the office or cell phone.

## *Do you celebrate birthdays at camp?*

YES! We provide a cake and some decorative items for her and her cabinmates!



## *How do I know what club my child is in?*

At Skyline everyone is in a club, and once your child joins a club she is a Mountie, Ranger, or Trooper forever! There are two different ways to join a club: if your camper's Mother, Grandmother, Sister, Aunt, or Cousin went to Skyline, she may join her relative's club! If she does not have a relative that went to Skyline, she will join a club on Opening Day by random drawing. You will receive a postcard a few days into camp that will let you know what club your child joined!

## *Do you have laundry service?*

YES! Laundry (that is clearly labeled with camper name) is sent out at the end of the first week for 2 week campers. In addition, for our campers staying 4 weeks, laundry will be sent out between sessions.

## *What do I do if my child leaves something at camp?*

In the event that your child does leave something behind, you need to call us and we will be happy to return your items at your expense. Items left will be donated to a local charity after August 31. If your child takes something home by mistake that belongs to someone else, please call for a forwarding address or return the item to Skyline for possible claim. We do maintain a Lost and Found list and will do our best to help you find lost items!

## *Does my child need a trunk or footlocker?*

Trunks are a convenient way to store everything you will need for camp in a small space. In order to be a good fit for our cabins, trunks must be not more than 17" high. A trunk company that we recommend is C&N Footlockers ([www.campfootlocker.com](http://www.campfootlocker.com)) please use promo code TRAIL421SR.

## *Should I label my child's clothes?*

Yes! **It is very important to label everything.** All articles must be marked with something like name tape, laundry pen, ink pad and stamp, etc. Be sure to label everything, including shoes, underwear, etc. Helpful hint \* Post a list of articles brought to camp in the top of her trunk. At some office supply stores you can have a stamp made with your child's name. Most widely used is pre-made name tape with full name and sometimes even address. A Name tape company that we recommend is Stuck on You ([www.stuckonyou.biz](http://www.stuckonyou.biz)).



# Getting To Camp



Parents are solely responsible for the cost of transporting their children to Camp Skyline. We make chaperoned pick-ups at the Atlanta, Chattanooga, Birmingham, and Fort Payne airports. **If arriving by air, please contact camp for AIR RESERVATION FORM.**

## **From Chattanooga, TN**

Take I-24 to I-59 South to the Valley Head/Hammondville exit (Exit 231). Turn left off the exit ramp onto Highway 117 South. Go to caution light at the dead end and turn right. Go about 200 yards to another caution light and turn left (you are still on 117 South). Follow 117 South up the mountain to Mentone. Approximately two miles from the top of the mountain, Skyline is located on your left.

## **From Nashville, TN**

Take I-24 East to Chattanooga. In Chattanooga, take I-24 to I-59 South to the Valley Head/Hammondville exit (Exit 231). Turn left off

the exit ramp onto Highway 117 South. Go to caution light at the dead end and turn right. Go about 200 yards to another caution light and turn left. Follow 117 South up the mountain to Mentone. Approximately two miles from the top of the mountain, Skyline is located on your left.

## **From Birmingham, AL**

Take I-59 North to Exit 224 (49th Street Exit). Turn right off the exit ramp. Go approximately 1/2 mile until road ends. Turn left onto Old Valley Head Highway. Go approximately 5 miles until road ends. Turn right onto Hwy 117 up the mountain. (See from Hwy 117 directions above)

## **From Atlanta, GA**

Take I-75 North to the Adairsville exit (Exit 306). Turn left onto Georgia Highway 140 West. Drive west on 140 to the intersection at U.S. Hwy 27. Turn right toward Summerville, GA. In Summerville, turn left onto Georgia 48 West and follow through Menlo and up Lookout Mountain. At state line, Georgia 48 becomes Alabama Highway 117. Camp Skyline is located on your right, just as you enter Mentone.

For information on places to stay around the Mentone area please see our website [www.campskyline.com](http://www.campskyline.com) or visit [www.tourdekalb.com](http://www.tourdekalb.com).

# Opening Day Procedure For All Sessions

Step One, Front Office-When you first arrive at Skyline, be prepared for a busy and exciting day! All campers must check in at the office which will open at **8:00 A.M. Central time**. At the office you will begin our check in process by finalizing paperwork and accounts. An important note about this step...You will confirm spending amounts and will be asked if your camper is allowed to overspend. Those who have sent in balances, including trip money and camper spending, and health forms will have a more simple and expedient check in!

Step Two, Infirmary- All campers must complete the health screening with a nurse in order to obtain a pass to get in to the back gate and cabin. A nurse will perform the health screening (see below for more information on that), take any medications (including non-prescription) and instructions for your child, and discuss any necessary health situations. If you have medications, please complete the camper medication form

Step Three, Cabin Assignment- Finally! What you have waited for all year! The excitement of finding out your cabin! You will receive your assignment from one of our Directors who will write it on your card you received from the nurse. This serves as your pass to get into the back gate and into the cabin. For security purposes, **you must have this card to get into the back gate and cabin.**

Once you have your cabin assignment you are welcome to help your camper move into her cabin, claim her bunk, and meet her counselors and cabin mates. Around 11:30 campers meet in their cabins. At this point, your daughter will have said goodbye to you and will be busy making new friends. Later that day, campers will draw for their club (if not already in one) and will register for activities.



## Health Screening

Prepare for the health screening and a healthy camp session by:

- Submit all health forms to Camp Skyline by the designated date. Please understand that not having all parts of the health form completed and sent to Skyline PRIOR to arrival will cause check-in delays on Opening Day. This includes the copy of your insurance card and immunization records if not noted on the health form. If you are unsure if Skyline has received your forms please contact the office at 1-800-448-9279 or [info@campskyline.com](mailto:info@campskyline.com)
- If you have not already sent in a copy of your insurance card, please have that ready during the health screening. Also, if your child has any medications, please have them with you in their original labeled containers.
- During the week prior to camp, watch your child for symptoms such as fever, sore throat, and vomiting. If they have any of these symptoms 24 hours prior to arrival, be prepared to talk with the nurse and possibly have a late check in.
- Educate your child on the best ways to prevent spreading illness – hand washing, sneezing and coughing into your elbow, personal hygiene, and not sharing food/drinks. Let them know that hand sanitizer will be used upon entry to each meal and is widely available around camp.
- In order to avoid head lice infestations, please check your child's head thoroughly 10-15 days before arrival. Watch for frequent scratching and examine the head around the base of the neck and behind the ears. Look for nits, small white ovals of uniform size attached to the hair shaft. Educate your child on how to prevent it – not sharing hairbrushes, headphones, etc. Also, help your child comprehend that should she be found to have head lice, it is an inconvenient situation that we will deal with quickly so we can get on with camp life!
- Make sure your child has enough sunscreen, SPF 30, and is taught how and when to apply it. Also, make sure they have a reusable water bottle and educate them on the importance of staying hydrated.



# Camp Stuff

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## *Daily Pictures & News*

### What is Camp Stuff?

This is our password protected internet program that allows you to keep up with your daughter while she is here at Skyline! Details on how to set up your account will be given out Opening Day. CampStuff accounts include...

- **Pictures:** Each day hundreds of pictures around camp are taken and uploaded for your viewing! You can look for your daughter and see all the new activities she is trying out and new friends she has made. All pictures from the session (around 2500) will be on a CD that you will receive on closing day. The pictures uploaded daily are not able to be in a resolution high enough to print, however they will be on this CD.
- **Newsletter:** A daily newsletter will be written to fill you in on everything happening at camp that day and in the days to come. You will hear the outcomes of club competitions, what the next day holds, what your camper is learning at campfire and morning watch devotions, and even how the weather was that day!
- **Camper E-mails:** Your account will allow you to send one-way emails daily to your camper. When writing, be sure to click on their cabin name and only enter your camper's name in the name box. Failure to do these will delay your email reaching them. Emails are printed at 9:00am daily and distributed during mail call just after lunch. Each email is \$1 and will be charged to your camper's account. If you choose to let relatives and friends use your user name and password to email your daughter, your same camper account will be charged.

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## Camper Packages

### What is a Skyline Camper Package?

Skyline Packages are a way to provide your camper with fun camp items during their session! The cost is \$55, and the only choice you have to make is what day you want it delivered! A wide variety of items are included in the package such as stationery, games they can play with cabin mates, and lots of club related items. An array of red, blue, or green items such as wigs and noisemakers are in the package so your camper can show her club spirit. Whether it's her first year or tenth year at Skyline, a camper can never have too much club spirit!

### How do I order a Camper Package?

You can order before arriving to camp by completing the camper package part of the Remittance Form or by calling in your order to (800) 448-9279. On Opening Day of your session, there will also be a table set up to place your order. Don't worry if it is your child's first year at camp and you don't know what club they will be in yet. Once the club drawings occur, we will note that on your form for you. If ordering prior to camp and you do not know her cabin, we will take care of that for you as well once cabin assignments are made.

# Trip Day 2012

Attention all you campers craving intense adventure... We are so excited to present our 2012 Trip Day options: caving in Manitou Cave and whitewater rafting on the Ocoee River! This year's Trip Day allows campers to get muddy, wet, and in touch with the best that nature has to provide in our area. Both of these adventures will take place on the second Monday of the session and offer a fun yet challenging opportunity for campers to try something truly outside their everyday routine. Please note that these trips are optional, and those who do not choose to go on a trip will continue with their regular day of activities at camp. **We will accept sign-ups for these trips through Opening Day of your session, and waivers for either of these trips must be signed and turned into us by Opening Day of their session as well.**

## Caving Treasure Hunt – Ft. Payne, AL – Ages 8+



The wonderful guides at True Adventure Sports have put together a four + hour treasure hunt through Manitou Cave in nearby Ft. Payne, AL that adventure-seekers will love. Please be aware that this trip involves crawling through tight spaces and emerging mud-covered and soaking wet so participants must be ready to push themselves outside their comfort zone. Due to space limitations in the cave, we welcome the first 20 sign-ups for this trip so act fast!

Outfitter: True Adventure Sports, [www.trueadventuresports.com](http://www.trueadventuresports.com)

Cost: \$125, Includes bus transportation, counselor chaperones, and a guided caving experience.

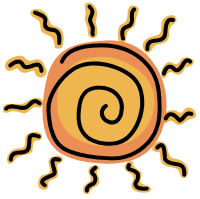
## Whitewater Rafting – Ocoee River – Ages 12+

For years, Skyline campers have enjoyed rafting the Ocoee River located in Cleveland, TN. Campers enjoy an exhilarating guided trip down this river filled with challenging rapids. The 5 miles of river will offer campers over two hours of adventure, and campers will definitely return from this trip with an adrenaline fix.

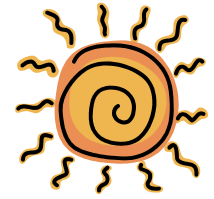
Outfitter: Sunburst Adventures, [www.sunburstrafting.com](http://www.sunburstrafting.com)

Cost: \$241, Includes charter bus transportation, guided rafting, counselor chaperones, spending money, and professional action photos.





# Day Activities



On Opening Day, 2-week campers will get to choose the activities in which they want to participate. We have 6 activity periods a day. Below is a list of over 25 activities you can choose from. Please look over the activities that we offer so you will have an idea of what you want to take. Please note, that there are grade requirements for some activities based on skill levels and yearly progression. One week mini campers have a set schedule. Check out the activities section of our website for more information and to see pictures of the activities in action!

## One Week Mini Camper Activities

Archery, Dance, Arts & Crafts, Horseback Riding, and Fun Swim. Last period of the day is their time to take showers and cabin fun time.

## Activities Available for Everyone

**Archery:** Learn how to shoot a bull's eye with bows & arrows. You get to shoot at balloons, play fun games like tic-tac-toe and participate in a tournament for club points.

**Arts & Crafts:** You can paint almost any wood project you can imagine. We have animals, birdhouses, wind twisters, flowers, trays, stationery boxes, and many more! Reminder, the paint is not washable so bring old clothes. (Fee for projects)

**Cooking:** Learn how to cook and bake calzones, soft pretzels, and much more! You get to eat what you cook too!

**Dance:** Learn dance technique and a cool routine in this class. This class performs at Showtime.

**Horseback Riding:** Learn how to walk, trot, and canter on a horse. You even get to go on a western trail ride. This activity has its own tradition: The Skyline Horse Show where everyone competes for club points and the best riders get to be in the Grand Championship. Please wear long pants and boots.

**Fun Swim:** There are so many things to do on Skyline's waterfront: the blob, the rope swing, the waterslide, river swimming and our new salt water pool! (Swim Test Requirements: Camper should be able to jump into the deep end of the pool, tread water for one minute and swim the length of the pool.)

**Gymnastics:** You can learn how to do forward rolls, round-offs, handstands, back handsprings and more. You don't have to be a "gymnast" to enjoy this class. There is an advanced class for those who can land a back handspring on their own. This class performs at Showtime.

**Glee:** For everyone who enjoys singing and dancing!! Join Skyline's very own Glee club! Learn to harmonize and master the jazz square in this Skyline activity!

**Rock the Runway** (formally Modeling and Manners): Do you love all things girly, like fashion and makeup? Learn what true beauty is and even do a little modeling! In this class you can paint nails, learn how to braid your hair in new ways and even make jewelry! This class performs a fashion show at Showtime.

**Musical Theater:** Show your acting skills by performing in Skyline's matinee! Everyone gets a part in our production. Past performances have been The Jungle Book, Aristocats, and Willy Wonka. This activity performs on the last full day of camp (Packing Day.)

**Painting:** find the budding artist in you! Learn how to paint like a professional with different mediums such as acrylic and watercolor. Everyone gets to paint their own canvas to take home.

**Quidditch:** You don't have to be a Harry Potter fan to enjoy this exciting sport! We will not be flying around in the sky but brooms will still be involved.

**Ropes Course:** Get in touch with your adventurous side! If you like to be up high in the sky, get harnessed up to zip down the zip line or take a ride on the V-swing. We have over 10 elements that will be sure to challenge and excite you.

**Skyline Set Crew:** Help design and create the set and props for our Musical Theater production. Pick out costumes and plan hair and make-up for the performers. No worries, you can still be in the performance too!

**Sports:** Play a different sport everyday: softball, kickball, basketball, flag football, soccer, and many more! This class always ends with the traditional shaving cream war.

**Tennis:** Learn how to do a forehand, backhand, and serve! This activity has a tournament for club points. Advanced class is available for those who can serve in the correct service box.

**Volleyball:** You have asked for it and we heard you! Learn the basics of this girl dominated sport or perfect your skills. We will play indoors and on our outdoor sand court.

### Available for 4<sup>th</sup> Grade and Up

**Lacrosse:** LAX is one of the fastest growing sports in the U.S. Learn the basics of this sport from a collegiate women's lacrosse player!

### Available for 5<sup>th</sup> Grade and Up

**Canoeing:** Learn the strokes and canoe down the Little River. They even canoe past Camp Laney! Advanced class offered for those who can demonstrate correct strokes and can steer. (Swim Test Requirements: Camper should be able to jump into the river, swim to the dock, tread water for two minutes, and be able to put on a lifejacket while in the water.)

**Circus:** Swing high in the sky just like they do in the Ringling Brothers Circus! Learn how to do the Mexican cloud swing, trapeze, hand balancing, juggling, and much more. Advanced class offered for those who have taken circus before and can demonstrate tricks such as a swinging penny drop and seats off.

**Golf:** Learn how to swing, chip, tee off, and putt in this class. Take a trip to a real golf course, and play 9 holes.

**Riflery:** Learn how to shoot guns just like the pros. Campers use .22 caliber rifles in the prone position.

**Tower:** Climb all of our 7 climbing walls! Some are easy, and some are very challenging!

### Available for our oldest campers (Summerplace and Riverside Cabins):

**Bible Study:** Do you want to learn how to study the Bible for yourself? Our Summer Director Alisa Gillis, will be leading this activity that will help you learn more about scripture and how to discover God's truths from His Word.

**Fitness:** Do you need to keep conditioning for your school sport or just want to get some exercise at camp? Well this is the perfect activity for you! Go at your own pace to burn calories. Water aerobics, jogging/walking our nature trail, and dance workout videos are just a few of the activities that will have you breaking a sweat!

**Mountain Biking:** Go out of camp on trails around Mentone! You even get to bike to Georgia. (Camper should be able to ride a bike well.)

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## Camp Skyline's Equestrian Program

This program is a learning intensive program for ages 9-16. Girls will spend four activity periods a day focusing on riding and horsemanship. A typical day begins with grooming and tacking the horses. At least two hours are spent in the saddle every day! Each lesson is catered to the camper's skill level. We provide excellent and individualized instruction whether you are just learning how to post the trot or are perfecting your jumping skills. Equestrian campers also go out on trail rides and work on more advanced skills than our one-hour horseback riding program. The last hour of the program is spent either on a ground lesson or caring for the needs of the horses.

Camper MUST sign up for the Equestrian Program BEFORE camp begins. To sign up contact Rebekah ([info@campskyline.com](mailto:info@campskyline.com)) to have the Equestrian Program Application mailed to you or feel free to print off the application from our website, which is located under the Apply section.

For more information or questions about the Equestrian Program or any of Skyline's program activities please contact [Lindsey@campskyline.com](mailto:Lindsey@campskyline.com).

# Closing Day Procedure for All Sessions

Check out is between 9am and 11am Central Time. There are two places you need to go during closing day. The order in which you do these is up to you.

## Check out at the front office:

- Pick up leftover spending money or pay balance due
- Pre-register for Camp 2013 with deposit to save over \$100 (2-week campers) or over \$50 (Mini Campers) on next summer's tuition AND get a FREE T-SHIRT!
- Pick up medications from the Infirmary

## Pick up your camper at her cabin:

- Present check out card (which will be mailed to you prior to Closing Day) at the gate and her cabin. **You must have a check out card to get back to the cabin and pick up your child.**
- When packing up, check for loose items such as laundry bags, shower bucket, shoes, etc. Be sure to check the clothesline!
- Don't forget your picture CD from the session which counselors will have for you
- Make sure you tell her counselor that you are departing

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## Camp Tours & Mother/Daughter Weekend

Some campers find that the transition into camp life is easier if they are familiar with the camp setting prior to arriving on Opening Day.

- We will be happy to give you and your camper a tour of Skyline anytime before your session starts. Please call camp to schedule your tour date and time.
- Our Spring Mother/Daughter weekend is a sampling of Skyline's summer camp. Moms and daughters will stay in our cabins, try out the food, and enjoy a few of Skyline's activities. For more information or to sign up, visit our website at [www.campskyline.com](http://www.campskyline.com).

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