

ESSENTIAL MI SUMMER CAMP INFO

CHECK-IN

SUNDAY Check-in (Please make every effort to arrive during these hours)

Jr. Explorer, Storybrook, Copper Country and TST Copper Country Classic campers:

Location – Copper Country Entrance

2:00pm-4:00pm camper registration

New Frontiers, TST New Frontiers Classic, TST Elite and TST neXt campers:

Location – New Frontiers Endeavor Center

3:00pm-5:00pm camper registration

WEDNESDAY Check-in (Please make every effort to arrive during these hours)

Jr. Explorer, Storybrook, Copper Country and New Frontiers campers:

Location – Storybrook Dining Hall

3:00pm-4:00pm camper registration

Camper Release: On opening day you or the adult who brings your child is required to list everyone authorized to pick-up your child on closing day. These are the only individuals permitted to complete the check-out process (**picture ID required**) and pick-up your child. This process is required by State Law for your child's protection.

CHECK-OUT

NEW this year.....One closing ceremony for everyone!

FRIDAY or SATURDAY Check-out (please verify the check out dates of your child's camp, and make every effort to arrive during these hours)

Jr. Explorer, Storybrook, Copper Country and TST Copper Country Classic campers:

Location – Copper Country Entrance

9:30 Gate opens

9:30-10:30 Check-out (SB and NF)

10-11 Check-out (CC and TST)

10:45 Mini rallies (SB and NF)

11:15 Closing Ceremonies – New Frontiers Amphitheater

11:45 Mini rallies (CC and TST)

New Frontiers, TST New Frontiers Classic, TST Elite and TST NeXt campers:

Location – New Frontiers Entrance

9:30 Gate opens

9:30-10:30 Check-out (SB and NF)

10-11 Check-out (CC and TST)

10:45 Mini rallies (SB and NF)

11:15 Closing Ceremonies – New Frontiers Amphitheater

11:45 Mini rallies (CC and TST)

WEDNESDAY Check-out

Storybrook, Copper Country and New Frontiers:

Location – Storybrook Dining Hall

10:00am-11:00am check-out

11:00am closing ceremonies and mini rallies - Storybrook dining hall

HOW DO I COMMUNICATE WITH MY CAMPER WHILE THEY ARE AT CAMP?

Email: You will be given information about how to email through the "Parent Zone" on our website when you check-in for camp. Campers cannot email back.

In Writing: Mail is a highlight of a camper's week and is distributed daily. If you would like to bring mail on opening day, we will distribute it on the day or day's you designate. Or, if you prefer to send mail, please include the following information in the mailing address:

Storybrook Campers

Camper Name

Camp Center

Week

PO Box 25

Ewart, MI 49631

Copper Country Campers

Camper Name

Camp Center

Week

PO Box 25

Ewart, MI 49631

New Frontiers and TST Campers

Camper Name

Camp Center

Week

PO Box 50

Ewart, MI 49631

NOTE: Please do not bring candy or food on opening day or send it through the mail, as campers are not allowed to have perishable items in their cabins.

FAQ's

What if my child requires a special diet or has food allergies?

Our kitchen is familiar with special diets and food allergies. Please notify our camp food service office at 231.836.1047 and they will make proper arrangements in order to provide the best experience for your child.

How much spending money should I put in my camper's account?

The Trading Post is open during check-in and on closing day for parents and visitors. Each camper will visit the Trading Post daily. Snacks and drinks are available for your child to purchase, along with many low cost souvenir items (\$1 to \$7). Typical spending is approximately \$20-\$30. Crafts that require additional funds are Tie-Dye t-shirt \$10 and Leather Belt \$10 Jewelry \$5. Storybrook crafts are included in tuition.

Is a physician visit necessary to complete my child's health form?

No. You will need to complete the camper's Health Form/Power of Attorney in the Parent Zone on our website by the week before your child attends camp. If you do not have access to our website, please contact us and we will mail you the forms.

WHAT TO PACK:

- ★ Pajamas, underwear and extra socks
- ★ Warm jacket, hat and rain coat/poncho
- ★ Modest one-piece swimsuit, beach towel and sunscreen
- ★ Two pairs of shoes (one pair that can get wet)
- ★ Towel, washcloth, toiletries and comb or brush
- ★ Sleeping bag and pillow
- ★ Flashlight
- ★ Small backpack
- ★ Bible, notebook and pen
- ★ Long pants
- ★ Disposable camera (optional)
- ★ Bug spray with DEET
- ★ A desire to have FUN!

WHAT NOT TO PACK:

- ★ Food
- ★ Valuables
- ★ Non-prescription or over the counter medications
- ★ Spending money (add to account before opening day)
- ★ Gaming devices, iPods, or other MP3 players, Radios, CD players etc.
- ★ Cell phones or pagers

Special items for major programs: Springhill provides safety gear and equipment for most programs, although campers are welcome to bring their own. For certain programs campers may need to bring special equipment or apparel, including the following:

New Frontiers Theme: Attention Lords and Ladies! This year when you step onto New Frontiers, you will encounter dragons, jousters, jesters, kings, queens and so much more. We are going Medieval! So bring your crowns and beads, your royal robes, your silliest jester get-up, your armor, or your peasant garb and stuff it into your already packed suitcase! Let the festivities begin!

Golf: Bring golf clubs.

Horses: At least two pairs of jeans or long pants and closed toe shoes are required. Hard soled shoes or boots are preferred.

Tennis: Bring raquet.

Paintball/Outdoor Sportsmen: There will be additional paperwork at camper check-in if you bring your own Paintball or Outdoor Sportsmen equipment.

TST: See website (springhillcamps.com) for a more detailed list.