

LAKE MICHIGAN CAMP & RETREAT

YOUTH CAMP 2023

Welcome and thank you for choosing Lake Michigan Camp & Retreat youth camp programs in your summer plans. Whether this is your first time with us, or you have been coming for years – we are excited to have you as part of our camping family. This summer you are going to have an awesome time!

SUNDAY CHECK-IN

Campers check in begins at 2pm on Sunday. To make the check in process as smooth and quick as possible, please review the following process:

1. Check in will take place at the WELCOME Center to the left as you enter the camp. Please park your vehicle in the parking lot prior to coming to the WELCOME Center. (If it is raining, registration will take place in the Dining Hall)
2. Upon arrival, place your bags in the area designated for your CAMPING PROGRAM (High School, Middle School, or Elementary.) Your counselors will greet you in your designated area.
3. Bring all prescriptions/medications, camper mail, and care packages to the check in line at the WELCOME Center
4. There will be 2 lines: Start with the one for registration and then you'll check in with the medical staff.
5. If the lines are long, we encourage you to relax, sit around the fire and enjoy a s'more with your family.

FORMS: available in your online registration account

Please have the following REQUIRED documents completed through your online account prior to arriving at camp. If you cannot complete forms online, contact the registrar for paper forms.

registrar@umcamping.org

- Camp Registration Form
- Health History
- Camper Release
- Liability Release

Health & Safety

Prescription medications MUST be labeled with the name of the child and in the original containers. Our Health Officer will collect, track and administer meds at the appropriate time. Do NOT send over-the-counter medications unless they are taken every day.



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FACEBOOK
[@lakemichigancampandretreat](https://www.facebook.com/lakemichigancampandretreat)

VISIT US ON
FACEBOOK
to see camper
photos throughout
the week



Lake Michigan Camp & Retreat is part of the Michigan Area United Methodist Camping family



Mail and packages are a great way to stay in touch with your favorite campers and camp counselors!

Camper & Counselor Mail

Everyone loves mail and at Lake Michigan Camp & Retreat we have several ways of communicating with your loved ones:

1. Bring mail with you to Check-in. We will deliver as you request
2. Snail mail address (mail at least a week ahead of time):

Lake Michigan Camp & Retreat
Attn: Camper Name & Program
5807 Ridge Road
Pentwater, MI 49449

3. Email: You may email your camper info@lakemichigancamp.org
In subject line place the campers name and the camp program (i.e. High School, Middle School or Elementary)
4. A Note about Care Packages: small items like puzzle books, stickers, or something to read or inspire your camper are appropriate. Do not send food, candy, squirt guns or silly string so as to not cause a disturbance in the cabin.

Packing Checklist

- ✓ Bible, pencil, notebook
- ✓ Reusable water bottle
- ✓ Pillow twin bedding/sleeping bag
- ✓ Clothes for 6 days including long pants & sweatshirt (it does get cool by the Lake)
- ✓ Pajamas
- ✓ 2 pairs of closed-toe shoes
- ✓ Sandals (beach and shower only)
- ✓ Modest swimsuit (No Bikinis)
- ✓ Rain gear
- ✓ Hat for sun protection
- ✓ 2 towels (beach & shower)
- ✓ Toiletries
- ✓ Flashlight/Headlamp & batteries
- ✓ Sunscreen
- ✓ Bug spray
- ✓ Prescription medication (DO NOT pack in your bag, keep separate and in the original labeled bottles)
- ✓ Plastic bag for wet items to go home

Remember: Being on the lake brings cooler weather. Bring LONG PANTS, LONG SLEEVE SHIRTS, HOODIE

Note: There are many sticks and roots around camp. Sandals can be worn at the beach or in the shower only.

Saturday Check-Out

Camper pick-up is at 10 am Saturday. Pick-up procedures:

1. You will be greeted on the camp road by the WELCOME Center. Please present your ID to staff member. Legally, you must be listed on the release form.
2. Proceed to the Health Officer to pick up all medications.
3. Check the lost & found area for any items your camper may have misplaced during the week.
4. Shop your last-minute gifts at the Welcome Center.

CAMP STORE and OTHER THOUGHTS

The camp store will be open Sunday at drop-off and Saturday at pick-up. About a month before camp begins, we will send more information about the week's Bible themes/lessons, daily agendas plus any other supplies needed for camp or your adventure trip. Please make sure we have your correct email for these materials.

Awesome Blessings! See you in the Summer!
Lake Michigan Camp Site Director Erik Bengston

