



**Dear Wesley Woods Campers and Parent/Guardians,**

I am excited to embark on my third summer as site director at Wesley Woods. We have been working hard in preparing camp and working with our leadership staff to make 2023 a memorable summer. The 2023 summer theme is FruitFULL Faith: A Spirit-Filled Life. We know life can be complicated and challenging no matter how old you are. We want to help campers understand and grow into their God-given gifts (the fruits of the spirit), and assure campers that they never walk alone.

There's lots of detailed and important information for you and your parents to read in this letter. Feel free to call camp anytime at the camp office. 269-721-8291.

### **COVID-19**

Wearing a mask will not be required for 2023 but left up to the parent's/guardian/s discretion. We will continue to use prevention strategies recommended by the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and the American Camp Association (ACA).

It is important to note that our practices and policies may change to adapt to current conditions. If they do, we will update you.

### **Packing Lists**

Just prior to camp arrival, please check to see that you have the most recent packing list (your packing list may have been updated since you first reviewed and/or printed it.)

### **Registration/Check-In for full week and Mini A campers**

Check-in is SUNDAY from 3:00-5:00 p.m. **CHECK-IN DOES NOT OPEN UNTIL 3:00 P.M. PLEASE DO NOT ARRIVE EARLY AS YOU WILL HAVE TO WAIT IN LINE IN YOUR CAR WHICH MAY BE UNCOMFORTABLE IF IT IS HOT OUT.** When you arrive at camp, there will be a luggage drop off. Once that is done, we will have you park starting at the playground area pass the ballfield. The line will start under the porch and up the ramp to the upper room. From there, if your camper has medication you will go to the nurse and they will gather any medication and directions from the parents. After this check-in process; you can help take their luggage up the hill to their assigned cabin. \*If all your paperwork is complete the process will go faster.

### **Registration/Check-In for Mini B campers**

Check in: 3 pm Wednesday

### **Photos/Video**

Wesley Woods will try to take photos occasionally and load to our Wesley Woods Camp and Retreat Facebook page. There is a waiver to be signed by the parents giving us permission to take your campers photo/video and use it; or you can also let us know if you would prefer your campers photo/video to not be taken.

## **Mail and Email**

The mail is delivered every day. Once our office receives it; we will pass it along to your cabin counselor to distribute it. The mailing address is:

Wesley Woods Camp and Retreat

***“Camper name/Cabin name”***

1700 Clear Lake

Dowling, MI 49050

If you are sending an email to your camper we will have those printed off by 12 pm and distribute those to your camper’s cabin counselor. These emails are printed in black and white. If there are multiple emails for a camper, we will fit them onto one page. You can email them at: [camper@wesleywoodsmi.org](mailto:camper@wesleywoodsmi.org) ***Subject line: camper name/cabin name***

## **Camp Store**

There will be a camp store in the main lodge if you would like to purchase something for your camper. **It will be available during check-in and check-out days.** Every camper will get a white t-shirt that we will tie-dye during the week.

## **Check-out for Mini A campers**

Check-out is Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. Since camp is still going when you come to pick up your mini A camper, please pull into the long drive-way that takes you back to camp, stop at the graveled parking lot which is also our RV area next to the small barn and on your left. Someone will check your i.d. there and then the campers will be brought down to you. The luggage will be on a trailer.

## **Check-out for full week and mini B campers**

Check-out is Friday night at 7 pm. You are invited to supper with your camper and a short program. You will need to sign your camper out and show your State issued ID, parents will also need to show ID. We need to keep our campers safe.

If you have any question’s feel free to reach out at [info@wesleywoodsmi.org](mailto:info@wesleywoodsmi.org) and we will be happy to help.

## **Forms**

Please make sure you complete the required camper forms: healthcare form, liability form, authorization to pick up camper, photo approval, camper covenant. **If your camper allergies or requires a special diet and you did not complete your forms on-line, please call Wesley Woods as soon as possible to give them this information so they can plan for next week. Can’t wait to see you at camp!**

## **Making payments or changing camps**

If you wish to make a credit card or check payment, or need a receipt please contact the Camp Registrar at [registrar@umcamping.org](mailto:registrar@umcamping.org) or call 989-534-6587 for assistance.

In Christ,

Nicole Holton, Site Director