

40 South Lake Drive
Arlington, SD 57212
605-983-5547

You are Registered for:

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Lake Poinsett Camp
Teddy Bear Camp 2

•Check-In:

Monday, June 14
11:00AM

•Check-Out:

Tuesday, June 15
11:00AM

Please keep this letter for your future reference. It contains important information that will help you prepare for your time at camp. Including:

- Dates and times of your event
- Packing lists
- Contact information
- Forms required for you to attend camp

Welcome to Camp!

I'm coming to camp! Now what?

- ▶ First, let us begin by saying how **EXCITED** we are that we are going to be sharing camp with you! We are going to have a great time, share lots of adventures and meet some new friends! We can't wait to get to know you!
- ▶ Teddy Bear Camp 2 is designed for a parent, grandparent, or important adult to share that first camp experience with their child(ren). Come join us for 24 hours of fun. Stay in the beautiful retreat center. Bring your favorite teddy bear and come meet new friends!
- ▶ Before you come to camp there are three forms that need to be completed. Please make sure you have your **Medical Information Form**, your **COVID-19 Waiver** and your **Release of Liability Form** completed either online or printed from www.dakcamps.org and brought with you to camp. If possible, we would like the forms two weeks prior to camp, so our Directors can plan a great experience for you. We also ask that your camp balance be paid in full.
- ▶ **IMPORTANT: Specific guidance around COVID-19 protocols at camp will be provided prior to the start of your event. Please watch your email for messages from the camping office.**
- ▶ Now, all you have to do is keep looking forward to a wonderful time at camp! Look through the rest of this letter to find everything else you'll need to get ready!

Start your engines!
It's almost time for
s'mores camp fun!



What happens when I get to camp?



Check-In Details - This may change, please stay tuned!

- ▶ Go to Retreat Center when you arrive at camp to check-in.
- ▶ Bring, or have completed on-line, your three forms:
 - **Medical Information Form and both Release of Liability Waivers**
- ▶ You will also have time to meet with our health care manager and go over your "**Medical Information**" form.
- ▶ All medications, prescribed or over the counter, must be given to the health care manager. All medication must be in original containers labeled with name and dosage.
- ▶ On the Medical Information Form, please make sure that you list the people authorized to pick up your child (including yourself!) We can not release your camper unless that person's name is on the health form.
- ▶ All spending money, will be given to camp staff at check-in. Any unspent money will be returned at the end of camp.



What do I need to bring?



Packing Checklist:

- ▶ It's never too late to **bring a friend!** For each new camper you invite who registers and attends camp, you will receive a discount of \$25 off the cost of registration. Sharing camp with a friend makes a great experience even better!
- ▶ **Lost & Found** - please label all your belongings before you leave home and check out the lost & found box during your check-out time. At summer's end, all unclaimed items will be donated to local charities.

- Signed Liability Form**
- Signed Health form if you didn't register online**
- Medications needed during camp
- Bed and Bath Linens are provided
- Toothbrush & paste
- Sunscreen & insect repellent
- Bible, pencil & paper
- Flashlight, Camera & extra batteries
- Swimsuit, beach towel, sandals/water shoes, hat
- Clothing for each day (rainy days too!)
- Backpack or daypack
- Jackets & Sweatshirts
- Tennis Shoes (or other closed-toe shoes)
- Cash for the camp store
- A Clean mask for each day

What NOT to bring:

- Money** - your camp registration fee covers ALL expenses while you are at camp, including all meals. The camp store will be open during check in/check out. Campers can deposit cash at check in on a store card for use during their stay. Unused money will be returned at the end of their camp.
- Cell Phones** - If campers bring a cell phone, they will need to leave it with a camp staff member during check-in.
- iPod/MP3 players**
- Sports Equipment/Fireworks/Lighters**
- Extra Food/Snacks/Pop**
- Video Games/Computers**
- Alcohol/Tobacco/Drugs/Weapons/Vehicles**

How can I contact my camper?

Mail/E-mail: Campers love mail! Please allow at least 3 days for standard mail to reach camp. Keep in mind that for shorter events, you may need mail letters before your camper leaves home. You are also free to leave letters for your camper with a staff member during check-in to be distributed throughout the event. Notes from home will make a great experience better.

Phone Calls - campers are allowed to use the camp phones only for emergencies. If you have questions, concerns, or need to contact your child, please feel free to call the camp's phone number listed in this letter. Our staff is happy to assist you and will deliver your message to your camper as soon as possible.

One-Way E-Mail - You can email your camper at LPcampers@dakcamps.org. On the subject line please put: Camper Name and Camp Name.

Emergency Contacts - In the event of an emergency, you may contact the camp at 605-983-5547. You may also call Christy, the director, at 701-840-9772.

Camper Mailing Address:

Lake Poinsett Camp
Your Camper's Name
40 South Lake Drive
Arlington, SD 57212

E-Mail:

LPcampers@dakcamps.org

Subject Line: Camper Name and Camp

Phone

605-983-5547

What happens at check-out? Stay tuned. This could change!

Your check-out time is listed on the front of this letter.



- ▶ Come to the Retreat Center to meet your camper. If they aren't there, there will be a sign directing you to their location.
- ▶ The **camp store** will be open. Make sure to check it out!
- ▶ Upon checkout, campers will receive unspent store money, a camp picture, and any medications that were turned in.
- ▶ **Survey**-You will be e-mailed a brief survey relating to your camper's experience. We ask that, if possible, it be completed shortly after reuniting with your camper. Your important feedback will help us better serve campers throughout the summer.



See you next year!



From Watertown, SD, travel 22 miles south on Hwy 81. Turn left on South Lake Dr (also 196th St) and travel 2 miles to the camp entrance at 20 S Lake Dr.

From Arlington, SD, travel 13 miles north on Hwy 81. Turn right on South Lake Dr (also 196th St) and travel 2 miles to the camp entrance at 20 S Lake Dr.

If you're traveling to Living Waters Retreat Center or to the Lake Poinsett Camp Chapel, enter the parking lot at either 30 or 50 South Lake Dr.

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Payment of Fees and Cancellation Policy:

Your balance is to be paid in full two weeks before camp starts. You can either log back into your account and pay on-line, make a payment over the phone to the camping office, or mail a check to camping office. Camping office information is below. **Please do not bring payments to the camp.**

Cancellation Policy:

If the camping office needs to cancel a camp, you will be notified and receive a full refund. If a camper needs to cancel, we will provide a full refund in the event of illness, COVID-19 exposure, or a family emergency. Please let us know as soon as possible if you need to request a refund. All camper cancellations must be received in writing at info@dakcamps.org

During Summer 2021, we will provide a full refund for a cancellation for any reason up to two weeks before the start of the event.

- Between 8-14 days prior to the start of camp, we will give a full refund minus a \$100 processing fee.
- Less than 7 days prior to the start of camp, no refund will be issued.
- A no call/no show to camp will result in forfeit of all payments.



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