

Town of Redding  
Park and Recreation Department  
P.O. Box 1071  
Redding, CT 06875

Dear Parent and Camper,

Spring/Summer 2016

We hope your child is excited about the overnight trip and Travel Camp! This is an adventurous and fun trip! Please read this letter thoroughly. It may answer a lot of questions you may have. It also has a lot of **information**. Please go over this with your child. We need you and your child to sign the agreement below. Anyone who does not sign the agreement will not be allowed on the overnight trip! A waiver must be signed for white water rafting as well.

Safety is our number priority! We are responsible for 40 campers and therefore we need everyone to follow the rules 100%. Please arrive by 8:00 am. We will have a Coach bus for this trip. We will leave for white water rafting at 8:30 am sharp! Please be on time! We will NOT wait!

- We will arrive around 11:30 am. At this time campers will have a chance to go to their cabins and settle. We will be on the river for 4-5 hours. No electronics or values are allowed on the river. Please have your child wear old sneakers or water shoes. No bare feet, crocs or flip flops. Lunch will be provided on the river.
- Upon return we will have some down time at our cabins. Campers will have a chance to get ready for dinner. They can take showers, hang with friends, finish settling in etc.
- **About the cabins:** The cabins are rustic. This means it is like camping. There is no electricity in the cabins, no running water, no mattresses on the bunks. Please provide your camper with necessary bedding, sleeping bag, pillow, etc. Blow up mattresses are allowed providing it has a foot pump. There is no electricity to blow them up. Campers should bring flashlights with extra batteries. No electronics are allowed (i.e. phones, Ipads, game devices, laptops etc.) Campers are to carry their own belongings! Staff will have their own cabins and be spaced in between the campers. We have a block of cabins all together.

Lights out will be at 11 PM. This means everyone in their cabins and quiet at 11 PM. Please remind your children to be courteous to others in their cabin who want a good night sleep. Any inappropriate behavior in the rooms will result in dismissal from camp. Which means parents need to drive to PA and pick up their child. This has never happened. We want to keep it that way! Everyone will have their own bunk. Campers are not allowed to leave the cabin after we have checked them in.

The staff will come to each cabin at 8:00 am and check campers out in the morning. No one is to leave the cabin until a staff member checks them out. They can use the bathroom and take showers. Campers should have all of their belongings packed and put under the bus by 9:00 am. Anything they need for Camelback should remain with them on the seat of the bus (i.e. money for lunch, bathing suit, towel, and sunscreen) After all of their belongings are on/under the bus they may head to breakfast. We will leave Whitewater Challengers at 9:30 am for Camelback. It is a half hour ride. We will leave Camelback at approx. 4:00 PM. We will stop for dinner. Our ETA back to the RCC is 8:00 PM. Check the infoline at 6:00 pm 203-938-5036 #4. **PLEASE BE ON TIME TO PICK UP YOUR CHILD!** It will have been a long two days for all of us.

Your camper needs to bring: a bathing suit or two, towels (1 beach 1 bath), plastic bag for wet things, soap, shampoo, hairbrush, toothbrush, deodorant, **bug spray**, sleeping bag, pillow, blow up mattress (optional) flashlight with extra batteries, cards or board games, pajamas, extra clothes, sneakers, flip flops, a rain poncho, hoody, sweat pants etc. have money for breakfast and lunch on Wed. Also, extra spending money is encouraged. The suggested amount is \$40-50. We will provide lunch on Tues. and evening meals on both Tues. and Wed. night. Staff will not be lending out money to anyone! So, please be sure your camper has enough money!!

If you have any concerns or questions about our trip please do not hesitate to call me **before** the day of the trip at 938-2551 or email me @ [sewud@townofreddingct.org](mailto:sewud@townofreddingct.org). **Please do not save questions for the morning of the trip. It will be extremely busy.**

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,  
Sarah Ewud (Mrs. E)  
Travel Camp Director  
[sewud@townofreddingct.org](mailto:sewud@townofreddingct.org)  
203-938-2551

Rules and Behavior Agreement- Must be signed or can not attend!!!

1. Any camper that attempts to leave their cabin after check time at 11:00 pm will be dismissed from camp. Parents will be called and it will be the parents responsibility to come and pick up their camper from White Water Challengers in White haven, PA. If this occurs, the camper is dismissed from the remainder of camp.
2. Any camper that destroys property will be dismissed from camp. Parents will be called and they will need to be picked up from White Haven, PA  
The parent is solely responsible for any damage done by their camper.
3. Your camper is to act appropriate at all times. This means on the bus, on the river, at the campsite, at the park and in restaurants. Your camper is to act respectful at all times to staff, the bus driver, employees and other visitors of our destinations and other campers.
4. We reserve the right to search any campers belongings for any reason. Any camper who has possession of weapons, tobacco, alcohol or drugs will be dismissed immediately from camp with no refund. Parents will be called and the camper will need to be picked up from our destination.
5. Campers need to stay with their counselors at all times! Anyone who leaves the group may be dismissed from the remainder of camp.
6. Campers are to socialize with our group only!! Any camper who meets someone who is not from camp will be dismissed from camp.
7. I will not use my cell phone except for designated times.

Our number one priority is to keep your child safe at all times! We need your total cooperation in achieving this! Thank you.

I agree to follow all of the above rules and understand the consequences if I do not follow them.

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Travel Camper

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Parent

\*Fax, send or bring this form in by July 9. After July 9, I will assign the cabins #203-938-1071 (fax)

Roommate Request: (You will get at least 1 of your requests, so don't worry!

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