

Explorer Summer Camp - Leaders in Training

Frequently Asked Questions

• Where is Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill? Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill is located at 3501 Lexington Rd., Harrodsburg, Ky. 40330. Explorer Camp gathers and departs from the "Camp Corral" located near the Welcome Center.

• How do I contact you/my child in case of emergency? Every parent/guardian will be given a card with the direct office and cell phone numbers of the camp director. For general questions, you may call the Shaker Village general number at 859.734.5411.

• Who can attend the Leaders in Training program?

Leaders in Training (LIT) is open to campers ages 15-16. We cap camp enrollment at 12 campers to ensure a high quality experience with low camper to staff ratios. While we do our best to accommodate campers with a variety of physical and mental abilities, we ask that you contact us prior to registration if your child has any special needs.

• Who are the staff that will be working with my child?

LIT staff are trained role models who will guide your child through a week of teambuilding initiatives, skill development and recreational activities.

Each day is overseen by a professional, year-round Camp Director. Shaker Village has a staff with extensive background in leading summer camps for youth.

Camp counselors and support team members are exemplary staff who have undergone a rigorous training and selection process to work with your child. Each have had a full criminal background check, been reviewed on the National Sex Offender Registry, undergone a face-to-face interview process with the director and are supported by distinguished character and professional references. The counselor to camper ratio for Leaders in Training is 1:12.

• What is a typical day like?

Leaders in Training is built with a balance of teambuilding initiatives, certification trainings and recreational opportunities. Certification trainings will be guided by camp counselors and Red Cross certified trainers.

While there is some variation throughout the week, our typical daily schedule will reflect the outline below. On Thursday, the group will spend a day on the trails of The Preserve, which they will have planned the itnerary for themselves the prior day.

Drop-off at Camp Corral 7:30am-8:00am Review Plans for the Day with Team Leaders 8:00am-8:30am Teambuilding Initiatives Full group 8:30am-10:30am Snack Break and Transition Time 10:30am-11:00am Certification Training, Service Project or Planning Period 11:00am-12:30am Lunch at Activity Site 12:30am-1:00pm Certification Training, Service Project or Planning Period 1:00pm-3:00pm Snack Break and Transition Time 3:00pm-3:30pm Recreation Options will include: Archery, GaGa Ball, Athletics, Crafts, Farm Animals 3:30pm -4:30pm Debrief and Closing Activity Full Group 4:30pm-5:00pm Pick-up at Camp Corral 5:00pm-5:30pm

•What will happen in the case of bad weather?

Please refer to the packing list to ensure your child is prepared for a variety of weather conditions. We are predominantly an outdoor program, and in the case of rain, many programs will run as planned. If weather impedes our activities, camp staff will move to the "Rainy Day Schedule" utilizing a variety of indoor spaces around the Village for activities and service projects. If weather becomes hazardous, then campers and staff will be directed to the storm shelter located in the West Family Dwelling Cellar. In the case of hazardous weather, the camp director will initiate communication with parents via email, then phone if needed.

• What if my child takes medication?

When sending medication with your child, please use the following procedures:

- 1. Complete and submit the Medication Authorization form for any medications your child will be taking while at Camp.
- 2. Ensure your child's medication is in the original container with the prescription label.
- 3. Place original containers inside one Zip Lock bag, and write your child's name on the outside of the bag with a permanent marker.

Medication will be dispensed at prescribed times and dosages by the camp director. A log is kept to record the dispensing of all medication to campers. If your child has medication that must stay with them throughout the day (epi-pen, inhaler, etc.), that medication will travel with the counselor working directly with your child. In all other cases, camper medication will be stored and locked in a central location. Shaker Village partners with a local pediatrician to review medical policies and provide consultation on an as-needed basis.

• What should my child bring with them each day?

Please refer to the Parent Checklist and Camper Packing List.

• What do I pack for my child's lunch?

Your child will be very active at Camp each day. While Camp will provide a small snack both in the morning and the afternoon, a good lunch will be important for them to keep up their energy.

- Please pack non-perishable items, as refrigeration for lunches is not available.
- Camp is a "peanut free zone." Please do not pack items that include peanuts or peanut butter.

• What if my child has a food allergy?

Please use the Health History form to communicate any allergies your camper may have. We will make every consideration to provide a healthy morning and afternoon snack option. Camp is a "peanut free zone."

• When can I drop off and pick up my child?

Drop-off for Leaders in Training is between 7:30 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. Pick-up is between 5:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. During these times, campers will all be located at the "Camp Corral" near the Admission Booth. Staff will lead games and recreational activities in a less formal manner than found in the rest of the daily schedule.

If you need to drop off or pick up your camper outside of these scheduled times, please contact the camp director to discuss.

• Who else can pick up my child from Camp?

Only adults authorized on your child's registration form will be allowed to pick them up from Camp. Camp staff will request photo identification from all adults picking up campers every day.

• What else can we do at Shaker Village?

Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill provides opportunities for children and adults throughout the year! Visit shakervillageky.org to take a look at the calendar of upcoming events and to learn more.

• What safety precautions will be in place regarding COVID-19?

SVPH will adhere to the guidelines established by the CDC and the local health department during the operation of Explorer Camp. As the dynamics of the pandemic are constantly evolving, we will release a detailed plan in early May that outlines the exact precautions that will be taken.