



Summer 2024

Dear Sunsational Summer Camp Parent,

Please read the following information carefully. If you have any questions, please contact me at my office (715) 832-3003 ext. 20181. You can also reach me via email at tyler.papierniak@graceluthfound.com. My assistant director, Steven Schimmel is also excited to work with your children this summer. He can be reached at 715-832-3003 ext. 20182 or via email at steven.schimmel@graceluthfound.com.

Schedule and activities:

Your child(ren) is/are scheduled to attend Sunsational Summer Camp starting June 10th located at Grace Lutheran Church, 202 W. Grand Ave, Eau Claire, WI 54703. Please enter through the doors on 2nd avenue. For the first week, we will either have staff standing outside or will have a sign at the entrance!

Attached you will find the June calendar as well as weekly sheets for the first two weeks. This year, the monthly calendars as well as the weekly sheets will be available to you on our Facebook page (Cevin Cat); limited copies will also be available on site. Be advised schedules are subject to change due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances. If there is a change, we will post that on our Facebook page.

Whether your camper is new, returning, or part of our before and after school program, we will need additional paperwork from you. Please head to our website and follow the links under the section that fits you best. **Please have all necessary paperwork completed and sent back prior to camp starting. All forms should be fillable, so you can either complete and email to:**

summercamp@graceluthfound.com or mail to: PO Box 287, Eau Claire, WI 54702

****If your child will need medication during the camp day, please ALSO complete the authorization to administer medication form on our website.**

S/he is scheduled based off your registration information and your account is set up to be charged appropriately. This amount needs to be paid by Thursday after you receive your billing statement on Monday. If it is more convenient you may pay in advance for as many weeks as you would like. You will receive a statement every week that will show your payments and charges. If your schedule changes weekly, please remember to let staff know what your schedule will be by Thursday the week prior. **You are given an equal number of uncharged total vacation days based on the number of days your child(ren) attend each week (i.e. a 3 day/week schedule is given 3 total uncharged vacation days to use for the summer per child).**

What to bring:

The following is a list of things your child will need throughout the summer:

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| Swimming suit | Towel |
| Water bottle | Lunch in a bag or <u>soft side</u> lunch "box" (peanut free) |
| Change of clothes | Socks |

Please label all belongings- Including clothing

****ALL FOOD BROUGHT MUST BE PEANUT FREE!****

Please note that this year we will be providing Rocky Mountain Sunscreen SPF 50 for all children in the program. If your child cannot use this brand, we ask that you bring in a bottle to leave with the staff with your child's name on it. Also, we will provide bug spray (not to be more than 15% deet) if it is needed. Please **do not** send bug spray with your child.

When children wear flip flops to camp, we've run into many issues with them either breaking or with children hurting their feet due to a lack of protection. Therefore, we are asking that you **do not send your child in flip flops**. Flip flops are acceptable as an additional form of footwear for days at the pool, but only for the time we are at the pool.

Trips and expectations:

We will have 3 larger field trips throughout the summer, 1 each month. Families will be notified in advance of the dates of those trips. We are excited to offer these trips without any additional fee this year! If you would like to attend these trips but they are on a day you are not normally scheduled, please reach out to me (Tyler) and I will see if we have the availability.

As a former teacher, I believe that children grow in all areas of development through free play. Play gives children opportunities to develop physically, to think and solve problems, and to learn to express themselves, thus building self-esteem. Having said that, we will be an **electronic game free zone!** It is my hope that your child will develop stronger friendships and take advantage of the ample opportunities to hone their social skills. After these past few years, I think this is even more needed! Exceptions may be considered on longer trips (lasting more than 1 ½ hours).

If you need to reach staff during program hours, please use the following phone number **(715) 225-1106**. Please remember that when we are out on field trips it can be difficult to call you back right away. If at any time you have questions better suited for Tyler, please feel free to contact him at (715) 832-3003 ex 20181. My email will "roll" to my cell phone as well so when I am out with the children this is another easy way for me to stay in touch with you.

Thank you for sharing your children with us, we hope you're just as excited as we are to blast off into adventure!

Reminder

Please send all completed paperwork to summercamp@graceluthfound.com (this will also be the main email we check throughout the summer, so feel free to save it as well as the onsite phone number listed above

Sincerely,

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