



## Family Getaway Program Policy Information

We are glad that your family is participating in a Family Getaway at Camp John Marc. We hope that you will enjoy this time as a family in the great outdoors. In order that we might provide this same experience to other families, we ask that you review and abide by the following guidelines. Thank you for your cooperation in following these guidelines!

### **Bedding/Housing**

Only family members listed on the contract may attend the Family Getaway. Families need to allocate one bed per person (children who sleep in a cradle/crib at home may sleep in a portable cradle/crib while at camp). Please note, sheets and pillows will be provided during the weekend, families are responsible for bringing blankets or sleeping bags.

### **Supervision**

Please be aware of the natural hazards at Camp John Marc (open bodies of water, open spaces, etc). Your use of the lodge and campsite will not be supervised by camp personnel. *You are responsible for the continuous supervision and safety of the members of your party, especially children.* Adults must be with children at all times.

### **Smoking**

There is only one smoking location at Camp John Marc. This location is the wooden structure behind the Dining Hall. Smoking in other areas of camp, including the lodges, is strictly prohibited.

### **Alcohol**

Camp John Marc is an alcohol free facility.

### **Medical Care**

You are responsible for your families own medical care. There is not a medical professional on the campsite.

### **Severe Weather**

In the case of lightening and thunder all outdoor activity must cease. If lightening has been detected in the area you will hear a loud horn blast from our lightening detection system. If this occurs you must remain indoors until you hear the all clear signal, three short horn blasts. Additionally, a yellow light on the roof of the Children's Building/Administration building will blink until the all clear signal has been given.

### **Fire Safety**

Your Camp John Marc host will inform you if the area is under a fire ban. As long as the area is free of a ban you are welcome to use the fire pit and grills in the fire circle area near your lodge. *This is the only place fires can be built.* We ask that you not use lighter fluid when building a fire (the only exception is lighter fluid needed to start charcoal fires in the grills). Additionally, please

make sure all fires are completely extinguished and cool to the touch before leaving the area. In case of an emergency there is a hose on the porch of one of the family lodges.

### **Respect of Property**

Please respect the facilities and property at Camp John Marc so that other families might have the opportunity to enjoy them as well. Please respect all signage that indicates an area is off limits—challenge course, boats, swimming pool, archery range etc.

### **Prohibited Items**

All firearms, including BB guns, air guns and rifles, fireworks, bow and arrows, and knives (other than small cooking knives) are prohibited at camp. Additionally, with the exception of service animals, pets are not allowed at camp.

### **Fishing**

Crow Lake at Camp John Marc is fish and release only. Please only fish from the pier. Your Camp John Marc host can give you access to fishing poles and bait.

### **Camp Library**

You are welcome to use the games and books in the camp library inside the Silo. Please return anything you borrow from the library at the end of the weekend.

### **Communication**

Please be aware that cell phone use is limited at Camp John Marc. In case of an emergency phones in the Children's Building/Administration Building are available.

### **Cancelations**

Because there is such a high level of interest in the Family Getaway Program, please note that a cancelation or failing to show for your scheduled Family Getaway will affect your placement for future weekends. We understand that illnesses or other unexpected events may impede your ability to attend your scheduled weekend, but in fairness to all of the families we ask that you commit to attending if you and your family are able to do so. Additionally, families need to contact Camp John Marc if they will not arrive on site by 7:30 p.m. on Friday or need to cancel completely.

**If you have questions regarding the policies listed above, please contact Alisha Bunn ([ABunn@campjohnmarc.org](mailto:ABunn@campjohnmarc.org)).**

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