



## **Camp Fire Camp Toccoa**

### **Absolutely Incredible Kid Weekend Parent Handbook**

#### **Arrival and Departure**

Drop off will be from 11:30 am -12 pm on Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>; lunch will be provided at Camp Fire Camp Toccoa. We are located on Highway Alternate 17, inside the Toccoa city limits. Our street address is 92 Camp Toccoa Drive. The camp is one-half mile north of Stephens County Hospital and one-half mile south of the Toccoa Golf Course on Falls Road.

On-site Pick-Up will be at 6:30 pm on Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> for those staying the day only.

On-site Pick-Up will from 11:00-11:30 am on Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup> for those staying overnight.

Open house is on Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 – 4:00 pm. You must pick up your camper by 11:30 am and are welcome to return to Camp Fire Camp Toccoa at 1:00 pm for Open House. **Tours will not be given during check in or out.**

#### **Cancellations / Refunds**

Camp Fire Camp Toccoa holds the right to cancel the event for any reason. Registered participants will be contacted as early as possible if the event is cancelled.

**Refunds will only be issued if the event is cancelled by Camp Fire Camp Toccoa.**

#### **Behavior Guidelines**

At camp, we strive to provide a positive atmosphere where children develop good social skills and grow as individuals within a group setting. Inappropriate behavior from a few children can affect the experience for the entire group. Children will be informed of the camp's expectations and the consequences of inappropriate behavior. Camp staff will do their best to manage problems as they arise. Depending on the severity of the offense, parents may be contacted immediately.

#### **Zero Tolerance Policy**

We have a zero-tolerance policy for certain items/situations. Campers, parents and staff will be dismissed from camp for the following offenses:

- Bringing drugs, alcohol, or weapons of any kind to camp.
- Acting in a physically or sexually abusive or harassing manner towards any other person, parent, staff or camper.

#### **Trading Post**

Camp Fire Camp Toccoa operates a small Trading Post, where campers may purchase snacks, water bottles and other small trinkets. Campers may bring cash to purchase these items over the weekend. Camp Fire Camp Toccoa will not be opening camper accounts in the Trading Post (as we do in the summer) and will not be responsible for lost or stolen money.

## **Health and Wellness**

The Camp Fire Camp Toccoa full time staff are certified in First Aid and CPR. They have been trained on how to deal with minor injury and illness. In the event that your camper experiences a more severe injury or illness, the Stephens County Hospital is a very short drive away. You will be notified if your child is in need of medical attention. In the event of sickness, fever, injury that will require medical attention, etc. the parent will be notified to pick the participant up early from the event.

- **Please send any prescription medication in its original container. Only the exact dosage required for the weekend will be accepted.**
- **All prescription medication must be accompanied by a Medication Administration Record document specially for Absolutely Incredible Kid Day 2019.**
- Please provide your camper with appropriate clothing in order to help him or her stay healthy and happy.
- Each participant is required to have a completed basic medical release form on file with Camp Fire Camp Toccoa. **The form must be emailed to [info@camptoccoa.org](mailto:info@camptoccoa.org) no later than no later than 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019.**
- Campers who attended Camp Fire Camp Toccoa during the summer of 2018 should contact Camp Fire Camp Toccoa at (706) 886-2457 to ensure their medical form is still on file.

## **Social Network and Blog Policies**

- Participants may not post pictures and/or video of Camp Fire Camp Toccoa events on any website, blog or other social media site without the permission of Camp Fire Camp Toccoa.
- Participants must be respectful in all communications and blogs related to or referencing the camp, its employees, and other campers.
- Participants must not use blogs or personal web sites to disparage the camp, other participants or employees of Camp Fire Camp Toccoa.
- Participants must not use blogs or personal web sites to harass, bully, or intimidate other campers or employees of Camp Fire Camp Toccoa. Behaviors that constitute harassment and bullying include, but are not limited to, comments that are derogatory with respect to race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, color, or disability; sexually suggestive, humiliating, or demeaning comments; and threats to stalk, haze or physically injure another person.

## **What to Pack**

Make sure to pack weather-appropriate clothes; a rain jacket are recommended as campers will be participating in outdoor activities. Bring a warm sleeping bag, pillow, sheets and any toiletries that you need. Shower shoes (flip flops) for the bathhouse, a flashlight and water bottle are also needed. Closed toe shoes and socks are required at all times. For those who have never attended Camp Toccoa before please view the packing-list provided on the website.

We encourage campers **not** to bring any cell phones or any other electronic devices as they will be collected and kept by camp staff during the weekend. Camp Fire Camp Toccoa is not responsible for any lost, stolen, damaged, or forgotten cell phones and/or electronic devices. If an item is left, we will ship it to you at your expense.

## **Tours**

Tours of Camp Fire Camp Toccoa are not available during check in / check out. Our staff will be occupied welcoming campers and their families. For the safety of the campers parents and other guests are **not** permitted to take a self-guided tour at this time. If you would like to tour Camp Fire Camp Toccoa please visit us during one of our Open House dates (March 24<sup>th</sup>/April 28<sup>th</sup>) or you may call to arrange an alternate date/time to visit.

## **Cabin Mate Requests**

Space is provided on the registration form for cabin mate requests. Such requests will generally be honored if both families make the request, the campers are close in age, grade, gender, and are registered in similar camp programs. In the case of cabin mate requests containing campers of different ages or grades, the older camper would be moved down to the younger camper's cabin. Camp Fire Camp Toccoa can only commit to facilitating one cabin mate request per camper. We honor old friendships, encourage new ones, and do our best in creating a cabin group that will enable a memorable camp experience for all.

## **Meals**

Camp Fire Camp Toccoa provides plenty of tasty and nutritious meals in our dining hall. Campers are able to find something to fit their needs between our hot items, cold items, and salad bar. If your camper has special dietary needs, food allergies, or is a vegetarian you will find space to provide this information on their health history form. If your camper has food allergies you must call Camp Fire Camp Toccoa and speak with the director/CEO a week prior camp. In most cases you will be asked to provide supplemental food items for your camper. We ask that parents of campers who do not have food allergies, do not send food to camp with their campers, so we can keep animals away and control food allergies.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact

Camp Fire Camp Toccoa / Mary McSherry

(706) 886-2457 [info@camptoccoa.org](mailto:info@camptoccoa.org)