

Camper Behavior

Parents/Guardians

Serious problems concerning camper behavior at Camp Augusta are rare. Most inappropriate behavior is directly related to typical reactions of campers to a new environment. This is a normal byproduct of children's transitions as they grow, gain independence, and establish personal identities that will carry them through life. We anticipate these behaviors and train our staff to address them in a positive manner. Believe it or not we enjoy this aspect of child development, and our role in learning more about kids, while helping them through the issues that can lead to problems surfacing.

Occasionally there are cases in which campers are unresponsive to the techniques we use to address behavioral concerns. See the "Partnering with Parents" section of the Camp Augusta website for more details on these techniques. A camper who continues to struggle, after numerous attempts to address concerns, can end up having a very negative impact on other campers' experience of Camp Augusta. While we do our best to support all campers' individual needs, there are occasions where doing so is detrimental to the happiness of the larger community of campers. In the event this is the case, a camper may be sent home before the end of their session. This is a critical understanding and agreement.

Parents, please take a few minutes to discuss your campers' behavior and its relation to the success and positive nature of our camp community. We certainly do not anticipate having to dismiss any camper, however they need to be aware of appropriate behavior and the consequences of inappropriate behavior.

Parent Signature: _____

Campers

At Camp Augusta, we expect that each camper will treat our staff, fellow campers, and facilities with care and respect. Some activities at camp have an element of risk associated with them. Therefore, campers must have the ability and willingness to follow directions. Camp Augusta reserves the right to dismiss a camper whose conduct or influence is, in the opinion of Camp Augusta, harmful to the best interest of the camp community. In the event of early dismissal from camp, there will be no refund of any part of the camp fee.

I (camper name) _____ understand that I play an important part in the enjoyment of every camper and staff member at Camp Augusta. I will do my best to treat everyone in my camp community with caring, honesty, respect, and responsibility. Bullying in any form is unacceptable behavior. If I am having trouble with this, or with the way other campers are treating me, I will talk to my counselor, village leader, or camp director immediately. I am coming to camp to have fun!

Camper Signature: _____

**Please see "Special Needs" note in Parent Handbook
Thanks for your help!**