



Ox Lake Youth Camp 2018

We can't wait to welcome you to camp! This information packet includes just about everything you need to know to prepare your child for camp. Please read carefully and keep for a helpful reference.

Phone 715.268.8434 email campwapo@campwapo.org web campwapo.org

What To Pack

make sure that camper's name is clearly printed on all items

- bible, pen and notebook
- sleeping bag and pillow
- rain gear
- shirts, pants and shorts
- socks and under garments
- more than one pair of shoes/sandals include a close toe pair
- swimsuit
- towel for beach and shower
- water bottle
- sunscreen
- bug repellent
- flash light
- toothbrush, toothpaste
- soap, shampoo
- canteen money (\$30 is recommended)
More can be added online at campwapo.org
- Long pants & tennis shoes for horseback riding
- optional:** camera

Please do not bring expensive clothing or jewelry

Clothing Policy

In striving to create a positive environment for all members of our camp community, staff and campers should bring clothes that are appropriate to a Bible camp setting. Staff and campers should avoid bringing clothes that exhibit offensive, inappropriate, or discriminatory messages or images. Clothing (including swimwear) must allow staff and campers a full range of motion—sitting, bending, reaching, running, rescuing etc - without requiring perpetual readjustment. The individual should feel comfortable, and clothing should not pose a distraction to the wearer during camp activities.

What Not To Pack

- cell phones
- headphones/mp3/ipod/gaming systems
- lighters/matches
- weapons/knives/fireworks
- non-prescription medications (ibuprofen, band-aids, etc)
- illegal drugs or alcohol
- personal sports equipment
- animals
- Items containing nuts

“Not Allowed” items will be held by staff and returned at the end of the week. We reserve the right to search personal belongings, with the camper present, if we believe items not allowed have been brought to camp. Illegal drugs, tobacco, alcohol, knives, firearms, fireworks or anything that might be perceived as a weapon are not tolerated at camp. The camp staff may require any person found with these items to leave camp. Parents are responsible for coming to get any child being sent home with no compensation or refund.

Camper drop off & pick-up

1442 120th Avenue Amery, WI 54001

Arrival Sunday:

3pm-4pm Check-in at Front Gate Area.

Pick-up Friday:

11am Closing Worship with families

11:30am Sign out campers with their counselors

All campers should be picked up by 11:45 am

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Camp store, Canteen and Store Card

On most days campers have the opportunity to go to the canteen. The canteen has a variety of souvenirs and camp clothing, candy, ice cream, etc.

Money can be added online at campwapo.org or at camper check-in. No cash should remain with the camper during their time at camp. Purchases made by the camper are deducted from their store card. Unused store card money will be applied to any outstanding balances or refunded to your credit card/echeck. If no credit card/echeck information is on file, a paper check will be issued and mailed to your home address. Any balance under \$3 will be donated to scholarship fund.

The Ox Canteen is open following the closing worship.

Most crafts are a part of registration fees, Survival Bracelets and Tie Dye are extra



First Aid and Medications

The State of Wisconsin and ACA require that we collect and manage all medications when campers are present at camp. Medications can only be distributed under specific directions.

A completed health form must be submitted to camp at least 2 weeks prior to arrival at camp.

- All medications must be turned into the Camp Health Supervisor during registration.
- Prescription Medications **MUST** be in the original pharmacy labeled container or the original manufacturer's container.
- Prescription medications **MUST** have the attendee's name on the package or bottle.
- Any doctor's office samples **MUST** be accompanied by a signed physician prescription.
- Our Health Center provides most basic over the counter medications. Please do not send these to camp.
- If your attendee takes a **daily** over the counter (OTC) medication (Zyrtec, Melatonin, etc.), please send medication in original packaging with dosing instructions.
- **Provide only enough of each medication to last the entire time the attendee will be at camp.**

More information about first aid can be found at campwapo.org on the downloads page.

Lost and Found

We collect LOTS of lost and found items every week at camp. Please make sure to label all items with your camper's name. There's nothing we like better than being able to return things to their owner! Lost and found items are kept at camp until September 1st when they are donated to a local charity. Please call the office at 715.268.8434 as soon as possible so we can be on the look out for any lost items.

Buddy/Roommates

Campers are able to request up to 2 cabin buddies for their stay at camp. We do our best to guarantee that your camper is with at least one of those buddies. We strive to assign campers to cabins by church and similar grade level. You can review or add buddies by logging into your account at campwapo.org. We start the housing process at least a week ahead of time so please request buddies as soon as possible.

Camp Registration Balance

Being paid in full prior to arrival at camp makes check-in go faster. Please be paid in full 2 weeks prior to camp (this includes family and church payments). Payments can be made online at campwapo.org or checks can be mailed to

Ox Lake
738 Hickory Point Ln
Amery WI 54001

Be sure to include you camper's name!

It is our policy that no one be denied the opportunity to come to camp because of their financial situation. We can provide partial and full scholarships to all who are in need of them. Please submit your request in writing to campwapo@campwapo.org

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Arriving at Camp

Ox Youth check-in is from 3pm to 4pm. Late arrivals at Ox Lake are difficult. If you know you will be arriving late please call the office the week before at 715.268.8434 so we can have staff at the gate to greet you.

All Ox Lake Youth campers will check in at the Front Gate area before moving in to your cabin. During check in, staff will do the required health screening, collect all medications, collect store card money, and you will find out what cabin you are in. **Please bring all meds and money to check-in with you.**

Parent Information:

Giving your child to the care of other people is perhaps the greatest act of trust you as a parent can give. Our top priority is to do everything we can to ensure that your child/children will have the safest, most fun and faith filled experience possible while at camp. We are an American Camping Association accredited camp and we work closely with our local and state authorities to provide the safest environment possible for our guests.

We offer a daily blog for parents and families to see what is happening at camp throughout the week. **oxlake.lwlbc.com** Our staff updates the blog daily so check it often for a glimpse into all the FUN that is happening at camp.

Our camp photographer will be taking pictures of all the action throughout the week. At the end of the week the pictures are uploaded to SmugMug. You can view and purchase pictures there.

lwlbc.smugmug.com

Sending Love & Care packages

Email

We offer a camper email service for weeklong campers through our registration system. Please access this through your account at campwapo.org. The packages range in cost from \$1.50 to \$4. The portal is open Sunday afternoon through Thursday at 3 pm. Only parents or guests they invited have access to the email system. You can send your love and good wishes to your camper but campers are not able to reply to email messages.

USPS Mail

Campers love getting mail from parents and friends. Please be sure to send your mail by Wednesday at the latest or it may not arrive in time. Please address all mail as shown below, **be sure to include the camper's full name.**

Return Address

Camper Name
Ox Camper
738 Hickory Point Ln
Amery WI 54001

Illness or Accident

Our healthcare staff are on duty 24 hours a day. Records of medications, and their distribution along with treatment are logged by the health care staff.

If there is an emergency or serious illness parents will be contacted by camp staff. When necessary, the Amery hospital and clinic is located less than 5 miles from camp.

Severe Weather

We have designated storm shelters for all of our guests and protocols in place if severe weather occurs. Weather conditions are carefully monitored. We will notify parents when appropriate via email, phone or facebook. Please don't call camp during a storm, we need to keep our phone lines open in case of an emergency.

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Travel To Ox Lake

The camp address is: **1442 120th Avenue Amery, WI 54001**

From I-94: Take exit 19 in Baldwin & go north on US 63. At the roundabout continue on to Hwy 46 north. Take a left on Cty Rd F in Amery. Go about 1.5 miles and take a right on Cty Rd C. In 4.5 miles turn right on 130th street, at the T in the road turn left on 120th Ave, Ox Lake is 1.5 miles on the left.

From I-35: Take Hwy 8 east. Take a right on Hwy 65. Take a Left on 120th Ave. Ox Lake is 2 miles on the right.

From Camp Wapo: At the stop sign of Hickory Point Lane and County C turn Left. In 3.5 miles turn right on 130th street, at the T in the road turn left on 120th Ave, Ox Lake is 1.5 miles on the left.

BIBLE CAMP TRADITIONS

- In order to provide a healthy environment, bullying and any other harassing behaviors will not be allowed.
- Please respect and do not harm any property, nature or person. Leave all animals alone.
- Help keep camp clean by using properly marked containers for garbage and recyclables.
- Safety is our main concern, and all waterfront rules must be obeyed. Waterfront activities are done only when the waterfront staff are on duty.
- Our Low and High Ropes Challenge Course at Ox Lake require authorized camp staff to be on duty when in use.
- For your safety, always wear shoes / sandals, except on the beach (WCB requires closed-toe shoes. NO sandals at WCB, please)
- Do not sit on porch railings, stairwells, or tables.
- Campers may not enter other cabins or tents.
- A camp staff member must accompany all campers whenever outside of camp property.
- We are God's creation and believe it is important to take care of our bodies. We offer an alcohol free, smoke free and substance abuse free environment.
- Camp is weapon free. Campers must not bring any kind of weapon or explosive device, including firecrackers.
- Camp reserves the right to hold inappropriate personal items of campers. Return of the item will, if appropriate, be made at the end of the camper's stay; parental contact and authorization may be necessary for this return.
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- Campers may make a phone call upon approval and accompaniment of counselor or camp staff.
- Every camper is expected to follow the entire camp schedule, unless excused by the Director, or as stated on Health history. If you are injured or do not feel well, report at once to your counselor.
- Campers may be transported in vehicles designed for passengers only. Only camp vehicles will be used to transport campers, unless designated by the Director.
- Only personnel approved and trained may operate any type of power tool.
- Early release of campers who are minors will be possible by verbal and written permission of the child's custodial parent or guardian. If this is a concern, please contact the camp office.
- Campers must be paid in full 2 weeks prior to camper's arrival.

Breaking any of these rules gives the Camp Director the right to send the camper home without a refund.