Don't forget lunch for the bus!

Kamp Kiwanis® 2027 Kiwanis Club Sponsored Kampers

Session Dates

- Child Session 1
  Sun., July 4-Sat., July 10
- Child Session 2
  Sun., July 11-Sat., July 17
  *Nut Allergy Week
- Child Session 3
  Sun., July 18-Sat., July 24
- Child Session 4
  Sun., July 25-Sat., July 31
- Child Session 5
  Sun., Aug. 1-Sat., Aug. 7
- Child Session 6
  Sun., Aug. 8-Sat., Aug. 14
  *Nut Allergy Week

Activities

Some Kamp activities may include the following:

- Swimming
- Canoeing
- Paddle boating
- Hiking
- Fishing
- Soccer
- Football
- Volleyball
- Basketball
- Arts and Crafts
- Special rainy day activities
- Campfires
- Skits and dance productions
- Talent Show
- Gardening
- Archery

Our Program

Kamp Kiwanis offers a unique kamp experience for kampers ages 8-14 to explore the world through environmental and cultural activities. Kiwanis Clubs throughout the state of New York financially sponsor kampers to attend Kamp for a once in a lifetime experience. The program at Kamp is designed to mainstream all kampers including up to 20 each session with special needs. Kampers and staff work together to build self-esteem and cooperative peer relationships.

Kamp Kiwanis offers a special place for self-discovery, laughter, fun and personal growth. Through small group interactions, kampers have the opportunity to learn more about themselves and others as well as increase their self-confidence. By offering positive role models, experiences that build self-esteem, and challenging activities, we foster kampers' development of new skills and respect for the community on the part of each kamper.

Kamp obtains a permit to operate from the New York State Department of Health through the Oneida County Health Department. The Kamp is required to be inspected twice yearly by the Health Department. Reports of the inspections are on file at the Kamp and at the Oneida County Health Department, Adirondack Bank Bldg, 185 Genesee Street, 4th floor, Utica, NY 13501. Kamp is accredited by the American Camp Association, a nationally recognized organization. We voluntarily submit to this independent appraisal by camp experts and are proud to have earned this distinction.

More information about the kamp program is available in the handbook upon registration or by contacting us at kamp@kampkiwanis.org or (315) 336-4568.

Location

Kamp is located on 102 acres of open and wooded land in the rolling, western foothills of the Adirondack Mountains. There is an Administration building with a connecting Health Center, a Dining Hall and Kitchen, sleeping cabins with electricity, two bath houses, athletic fields, sports courts, a swimming pool, a camping area, nature trails, an amphitheater, library, a performing arts building with a stage, an arts and crafts building and a pond for fishing, canoeing, and paddle boating. The Kamp is wheelchair accessible. The closest "large" town is Rome, New York and is approximately 6 miles away.

Application Process

Each Kiwanis Club has their own policies for the application process. Here at Kamp, we have gone online. We ask that if possible, and you have a computer or smart phone, that you ask the Kiwanis Club for the online Quick-App packet. If you must fill out the physical application we ask that all forms are filled out completely and are received at Kamp at least **4 weeks prior to the start of a Kamp Session**. Rules for acceptance and participation in the Kamp Kiwanis program are the same for everyone without regard to race, color, sex, gender, sexual orientation, or national origin. We do ask that parents/guardians of those kampers with special needs contact Kamp to ensure that our facilities and staff are able to meet your kamper's individualized needs so that we may provide a safe and fulfilling experience for all our kampers.

Keep this cover sheet handy as a quick reference for session dates and Kamp procedures. You need to either go online or complete the application and return.

Please feel free to contact us:
Kamp Kiwanis
9020 Kiwanis Road
Taberg, NY 13471
Tel: 315-336-4568
kamp@kampkiwanis.org **www.kampkiwanis.org**

facebook.com/KampKiwanisNY

How to Register

- Keep in touch with your Kiwanis Club Sponsor Contact.
- Either fill out the online Quick-App or fill out the full paper application.
- Each Kiwanis club sponsor **MUST** be listed on the Kamper application to hold kamper spots. Payment for kamp will be made by the Kiwanis sponsoring club or paying club provided.
- **The cost for camp is free if you have a Kiwanis Club sponsor.**
- If your potential kamper is a kamper with special needs, please note this on the application. We want to have room for every kamper but we need to assure we have counselors to serve each kamper's needs. ADD and ADHD are considered special needs. Only 20 kampers with special needs are accepted weekly for the child sessions and 25-30 for the adult sessions.
- **If your kamper has any type of nut allergy, Sessions two (2) and six (6) will be accommodated as nut free sessions. Other sessions will not be nut free.**
- Each kamper must submit a complete application either online or by hard copy.
- Applications must be complete or complete pending the medical form to be processed.
- Kampers will receive a handbook confirming their attendance at least two weeks before the kamp session. This can only happen if we receive applications in a timely manner.
- If possible, please fill out the online application instead of the full paper application. All applications are due at least 4 weeks prior to the start of a session. This allows staff at Kamp to prepare for the number of participants attending and will allow enough time to send and receive handbooks.
- Please keep a copy of your kamper's complete application for your information.

Paper Application Checklist

☐ Complete Kamp Kiwanis Club Application with every line completed (Page 1)

☐ Kiwanis Club Sponsor noted (Page 1—**Middle of Page)**

☐ Bus stop request noted (Page 1– **Bottom** of Page, See Back of Cover for Available Bus Stops)

☐ Kiwanis Kamper Profile with both sides completed and signed (Pages 2 and 3)

☐ Parent/Guardian Agreement signed (Page 4)

☐ Medical History and Exam with the following sections completed:
- Participant/Parent/Guardian information (Page 1—**Top** of Form)
- 2 emergency contacts listed—not including the Parent/Guardian (Page 1—**Middle** Form)
- Insurance company name and policy number/Signature (Page 2)
- Medication(s) (Page 2—**Top** of Form)
- Allergies and Restrictions (Page 2—**Bottom** of Form)
- General Questions (Page 3—**Top** of Form)
- Immunization history & **attached** copies of immunization record (Page 3—**Middle** of Form)
- Individualized orders/permission for over the counter medication (Page 3—**Middle** of Form)
- Medical Diagnosis noted (Page 4)
- Health Exam ("Physical")—No more than 12 months prior to camp start date (**Top** of Form)
- Health Exam ("Physical")—Signature of Health Care Professional (**Bottom** of Form)

☐ Photocopy of health insurance card enclosed

☐ Summer Food Form completed and signed with Social Security number provided, (there is an option for not having a Social Security number) and **this must be completed by everyone, whether eligible or ineligible**

☐ Authorization to Admit and Release Kamper signed and completed. Please note all other adults that may pick up your kamper.

Refunds

- A $200 deposit is required for all kampers and is non-refundable and non-transferable.
- A full refund, less deposit will be issued for cancellations and refund requests submitted in writing postmarked/emailed on or before June 15.
- No refunds will be granted if Kampers do not arrive at Kamp when scheduled or do not complete all required forms.
- No refunds will be granted if a Kamper is sent home for medical or behavioral reasons including but not limited to: violating kamp rules and policies, homesickness, non-compliance, failure to thrive (i.e. not eating or participating).
- A prorated refund will be considered for remaining kamp stays if a kamper becomes injured at kamp and the Kamp Health Director and/or Kamp Director (or designee) determined he/she is unable to participate in kamp activities and must be sent home.
- If Kamp must cancel a session(s) or is unable to open, refunds will be issued to participants minus a $75 processing fee per session. If a session has taken place for three or more days at the time of cancellation no refunds will be issued.



Counselor-in-Training (CIT) Program

The Counselor in Training (CIT) Program is for returning kampers interested in learning the skills needed to become a Kamp counselor. The CIT program has limited slots. Placement is determined through an application and interview process.

- Teens must be at least 15 years of age on or before June 20, 2027
- The tuition for a CIT is $750 **per week** with an additional $250 bus cost
- Teens must return home on the weekends as all staff are on their time off and are unable to care for children during their time off.
- Teens must fill out the kamp application and an interview will be scheduled to determine applicants that are the best fit for the program.
- Space is limited. Make sure to apply early to allow enough time for the full process.

Telephone

Cellular phone use is prohibited. All cellular phones will be collected and taken to our office for safekeeping and returned at the end of the session. Calls will be accepted by our staff to our main number and will be answered as soon as possible. Staff will also contact and facilitate any necessary communication with parents utilizing Kamp's phone line.



Staff and Ratios

The staff is mainly comprised of college age international staff members from many countries as well as from the United States. All staff members have been trained for a full week in how to interact with kampers of all ages, in safety and in policy and procedure. Fully qualified lifeguards also work with and watch over your kampers to ensure safety while at Kamp, in and out of the water. The staff is hired only after an interview, reference checks, and background checks have been completed. The staff to kamper ratio is generally 1:8. The youngest kampers and participants with disabilities are assigned higher ratios as needed.

Medical

A certified Nurse is on site during camping sessions. In the event that a Kamper becomes injured or ill and needs further attention other than a stomach ache, bug bite, tlc or a bandaid, we will make every attempt to contact the parent/guardian as soon as possible. **Guardians are required to immediately pick up their Kamper if the Kamper becomes ill and can no longer stay safely at Kamp. This includes behavioral, emotional, and psychological difficulties.**

Individuals with Disabilities

Kamp Kiwanis serves individuals with many forms of disabilities and health impairments. All child kampers are mainstreamed into the kamp population and adult participants have a session of their own. Please contact the Kamp to ensure that our facilities and staff are able to meet individualized needs.

Basic Standards of Behavior

- Listen to and respect your counselors
- Treat every person with respect
- Always be respectful with your language
- Absolutely no cursing or inappropriate language
- Be kind to everyone around you and help when needed or asked. No bullying whether verbal, physical, etc
- Keep your hands to yourself. No fighting, pushing, shoving, or horseplay.
- Make new friends and make lasting memories
- Enjoy playing outdoors. No electronics are allowed
- Stay with your assigned groups at all times

Please see our handbook for our policies on alcohol and drugs, personal sports equipment, weapons, animals, and vehicles.

Packing List

If you need assistance with the Packing List please contact Kamp. We have many of these items readily available and will have them ready at arrival for them.

- ☐ Laundry bag
- ☐ 1 white t-shirt to tye-dye
- ☐ 2 bathing suits/one-piece bathing suit (no bikinis)
- ☐ 2 bath/beach towels
- ☐ 2 pairs of closed toe shoes/sneakers (no platform)
- ☐ 1 pair shower sandals
- ☐ 7 pairs of socks
- ☐ 1 raincoat or rain poncho
- ☐ 2 warm sweaters or sweatshirts
- ☐ 2 sets of pajamas (optional)
- ☐ 7 t-shirts
- ☐ 5 pairs of shorts
- ☐ 4 pairs of light weight long pants
- ☐ 7 pairs of underwear
- ☐ 1 hat/cap (for sun protection)
- ☐ Toothbrush & toothpaste
- ☐ Comb/brush
- ☐ Soap/shampoo/deodorant
- ☐ Sunscreen (SPF 15+), (no spray)
- ☐ Bug repellent lotion (no spray)
- ☐ Water bottle
- ☐ Pillow, blanket/comforter/quilt/sleeping bag (any)
- ☐ 1 twin sheet set/sleeping bag
- ☐ Flashlight with spare batteries
- ☐ Pre-stamped postcards for writing home
- ☐ Water Shoes

DON'T FORGET:

LABEL ALL CLOTHING AND PERSONAL ITEMS WITH THE KAMPER'S FULL NAME

Please do NOT bring:

*smart phones *cell phones *digital cameras *valuables *gaming systems *iPads *laptops *money *jewelry *food other than bus lunch *candy *gum *makeup *jack knives *curling irons/straighteners *hair dryers *smart watches *razors

If these items are brought to kamp they will be collected and returned at the end of the session.
Kamp Kiwanis is not responsible for any lost, stolen or damaged property or items.

Transportation

Kamp Kiwanis provides bussing through a contract bus service. We pick up kampers from several places in the state, while some kampers are driven into Kamp. If you require bussing and none of the options listed fit your needs, please contact Kamp at (315) 336-4568. Pick-up and Drop-off times vary each week, parent/guardians are contacted by noon on the Friday before for pick-up and drop-off times. For kampers that are driven into Kamp, kampers can be dropped off between **3:00pm** and **4:00pm** on Sunday and will need to be picked-up between **8:00am** and **8:30am** on Saturday.

Safety procedures During Pick up and Drop off

- Participants are to be supervised by their guardians or the responsible party while staff members load or unload them onto or off of the bus. Parents/Guardians and Kiwanians are not allowed on the bus for any reason.
- Participants must stand clear of the bus until it comes to a complete stop and the staff member states that they are ready to load or unload one participant at a time.
- Handling participant behavior - if the behavior is jeopardizing the health and safety of other participants the bus will stop in a safe area, the police will be called and the parent/guardian must come and get the participant.
- If a parent/guardian is not available for pick-up or drop-off a person listed on the Authorization to Admit and Release form may substitute. For security reasons, **everyone must show photo ID** when picking-up or dropping off. If a child is not picked up at Kamp or at the bus stop and all emergency contacts have been exhausted, the Kamp will contact the authorities to come pick up your kamper to ensure their safety. Not picking up your kamper is considered abandonment.
- If for any reason a child does not show up to the bus stop or to Kamp for drop off, staff at Kamp will contact all emergency numbers to establish a camper's attendance.
- If for any reason the bus is more than 30-45 minutes late, staff at Kamp will contact parents/guardians of the new estimated bus arrival time.



The transport bussing policy for transportation of Kamp Kiwanis personnel and kampers is:

- No one leaves the bus without proper supervision.
- All staff and participants will remain seated during the trip unless the restroom needs to be used.
- No horseplay will be allowed at any time. Movies will be played to pass the time!
- All buses have the capacity of 39-56 passengers and will not be overloaded for any reason. A minimum of 3 staff will be assigned to each bus trip. One of these staff is certified in CPR and First Aid.
- Persons using wheelchairs must be able to get onto the bus with a staff person's assistance. A staff person will be seated next to them the entire trip. Wheelchairs must be able to be stored under the bus. If it does not, please contact Kamp to ensure bussing is still available.

Counselors will call out one name at a time, please wait until you hear your name before boarding the bus

- All medications **MUST BE** in original containers with dosage instructions provided, out and ready to be collected. The Counselor must be made aware of any medication that the kamper needs to take before 6pm so it can be administered on the bus. Note: The trip takes 6-8 hours.
- **Participants must bring a bag lunch, drink and snacks on the bus.** Please label lunches with the participant's name.
- **If your kamper is riding the bus Week two (2) or six (6), please do not pack any items that contain nut products or may contain traces of nuts as these are the nut free weeks.**
- Staff will go over safety procedures and emergency plans including evacuation procedures when all are on board.

Driving Directions

From the East: Rt. 90 (NYS Thruway) West from Albany. Exit 31 - Utica. Right off toll. Follow signs for Rt. 49 West to Rome. (**Go To Rt. 49**)

From the Southwest: (Binghamton) Rt. 81 North to Rt. 90 East (continue with **From the West** section below).

From the West: Rt. 90 (NYS Thruway) East Exit 33 - (Rt. 365 E). Rt. 365 East to Rt. 49 West.
(**Go To Rt. 49**)
To Rt. 49 west to Rome - to 69 West for 5 miles. Pass small green sign that states "Town of Lee". Pass Blue Kamp Kiwanis Highway sign and take next right onto Lee Valley Road. First left onto Kiwanis Road. The kamp is one mile up on the right.

From the Northwest: Rt. 81 to Pulaski. Rt. 13 South and East to Camden. Rt. 69 East to Rome. Pass Taberg Fire Hall (on right) make next left onto Lee Center-Taberg Road. Drive about 3 miles and take right onto Kiwanis Road. The kamp is 1/4 mile on the left.

From due North - Rt. 26 South to Stokes Corners. Right on Stokes-Lee Centre Road. Drive about 5 miles and make a left onto Kiwanis Road. The kamp is 1/4 mile on the left.

Division	Stop	Week
1 Adirondack	Drive-in	4
2 Bronx Westchester -South	Morris Park Community Center, 1824 Bronxdale Ave.	2
3 Brooklyn	Coney Island, Kaiser Park, 3038 Neptune Ave	2
4 Capital	I-87 Exit 23 (Rt. 9W)Solid Rock Church, 1 Kenwood Avenue, Glenmont	2
5 Central	Drive-in	4
6 Chemung	Drive-in	4
7 Finger Lakes	Exit 41—Petro Shopping Centers	4
7 Finger Lakes	Exit 46 I-90, Southtown Plaza-Bruegger's Bagels	4
7 Finger Lakes	Drive-in	4
8 Genesee	Exit 46 I-90, Southtown Plaza-Bruegger's Bagels	4
8 Genesee	Drive-in	4
9 Hudson River	Home Store, 100 N. Galleria Drive, Middletown, NY	2
10 Hudson River West	Home Store, 100 N. Galleria Drive, Middletown, NY	2
11 Hudson Tri-County	Home Store, 100 N. Galleria Drive, Middletown, NY	2
12 Long Island North	Behind Hempstead Town Hall Washington & Front Street	3, 5 & 6
13 Long Island South Central	Behind Hempstead Town Hall Washington & Front Street	3, 5 & 6
13 Long Island South Central-East Meadow Club	Behind Hempstead Town Hall Washington & Front Street	3, 5 & 6
14 Long Island Southwest	Our Lady of Good Counsel, 68 Wasner Ave, Inwood, NY	3
14 Long Island Southwest	Behind Hempstead Town Hall Washington & Front Street	3, 5 & 6
15 Metropolitan	Rt 278 to Richmond Ave at 1265 Richmond Ave. Law offices of James A. Dollard	3
15 Metropolitan	Chinatown—PS 124 Yung Wing, 40 Division St., New York, NY 10004	3
16 Mohawk	Drive-in	4
18 Niagara Frontier North	Tonawanda Police Station, Tonawanda, 200 Niagara Street	4
18 Niagara Frontier North	Drive-in	4
19 Niagara Frontier South	Tonawanda Police Station. Tonawanda, 200 Niagara Street	4
20 Ontario	Drive-in	4
21 Queens East	Sunnyside- Queen's Blvd between 46th and 47th Street by Washington Mutual Savings Bank	1
21 Queens East	Exit Realty Genesis: Between 98th and 99th Streets at 98-06 Astoria Blvd in East Elmhurst	1, 6
22 Queens West	Sunnyside- Queen's Blvd between 46th and 47th Street by Washington Mutual Savings Bank	1
22 Queens West	Exit Realty Genesis: Between 98th and 99th Streets at 98-06 Astoria Blvd in East Elmhurst	1, 6
22 Queens West—La Guardia Airport Club	Exit Realty Genesis: Between 98th and 99th Streets at 98-06 Astoria Blvd in East Elmhurst	1, 6
23 St. Lawrence	Drive-in	4
24 Southwestern	Tonawanda Police Station. Tonawanda, 200 Niagara Street	4
24 Southwestern	Drive-in	4
25 Suffolk East	Shirley, NY –Best Market	1
25 Suffolk East	Metropolis Diner-Medford	1
25 Suffolk East	Riverhead-Hotel Indigo, 1830 W. Main Street	1
26 Suffolk West	Rt 495 Exit 49W between Rt110 Park/Ride & Pinelawn Rd	1
27 Susquehanna	Drive-in	4
28 Van Rensselaer	I-87 Exit 23 (Rt. 9W, Solid Rock Church, 1 Kenwood Ave, Glenmont	2

For transportation questions or requests, contact David Rothman at (516) 318-1585.