



Camp Widewater

West Ohio Conference
United Methodist Church

We're happy that you are attending Camp Widewater!

Welcome! We are excited for you to experience summer camp at The West Ohio Conference Camp Widewater in Liberty Center, Ohio. We promise to provide plenty of adventurous and fun-filled, spiritual opportunities to grow your faith.

All campers and volunteers will be required to do a home Self Health Assessment for the 10 days prior to arrival at camp. There is much more information posted on our website about health, safety, cancellations and refunds on our webpage, www.westohiocamps.org. We require masks worn during Check-In and Check-Out

PLEASE READ THROUGH THIS LETTER, AS SOME INFORMATION HAS CHANGED

Registration: After registration and completing all online forms, you will receive a confirmation email. If you did not receive the confirmation, please contact us. In late May you should receive or download the 10-day Self Health Assessment form. **Every camper MUST bring this form to camp at Check-In or they cannot stay.**

Medical: If you bring any medications to camp (prescription or non-prescription), they must be in the original container with the camper's name and dosage on it. To help with the check-in process, please place each camper's medication(s) in a clear zip-lock bag clearly labeled with their name. The health officer will confirm with you that correct dosages/times match what is listed on the camper's health form. You may also choose to include a note with dosages/times of day if turning in multiple medications. You are encouraged to only bring the amount of medication needed for the days at camp and not full bottles. All medication will be turned in to the camp health officer to be dispensed to your camper. Please feel free to call us ahead to discuss your camper's medical needs.

If medical expenses are incurred on behalf of a camper injured in an accident at camp, the camper's family insurance is first line coverage. Camp insurance (up to policy limits) can pay for the expenses not covered by the camper's family insurance. Camp insurance does not cover medical expenses incurred because of an illness.

Health Checks: Upon arrival at camp, campers will first be welcomed at the registration table and be asked a few wellness questions: "Are you arriving at camp with any recent injuries or illnesses?"... "Has anything changed on your health form since you submitted it?"... and "Did you bring any medications with you to camp?" Also, the same questions on the Self Health Assessment will be asked and temperature checked. If any of these are Yes answers, you will meet with the Health Officer to update. Campers must be clear of all the COVID-19 symptoms on the time of arrival and the ten days prior. Each camper will have their temperature taken, touchless, at least once daily for fever.

Cancellations & Refunds: If it is necessary for you to cancel, please call the West Ohio Conference Camp Office as soon as possible at 614-781-2630 (M-F 10 am – 6 pm.) If you need to inform us of a cancellation on a weekend, please call the Camp Widewater office directly at 419-533-5900. In the event of a cancellation, the following guidelines apply:

- In all cases, an attempt is made to reschedule the camper into another event this year.
- For cancellation up to 14 days before camp, a refund will be made for the full amount paid minus \$50.
- There will be no refund for cancellation within 14 days of the camp event.
- Exceptions are made for serious family issues, illness and COVID-19 symptoms

Arrival/Departure: Campers need to arrive for check-in according to the schedule below. This year we will be checking in campers at the front of the lodge. If you wish to make camp store purchases, please visit our Facebook page and follow the instructions for purchase. Campers will be sent home with their electronic camp store purchases on the last day of camp. Closing programs will be posted on the Facebook page for parents to enjoy after each events conclusion. Only adults with a photo ID and on the approved pick up list for that child will be allowed to leave with the camper. If you are on the approved pick up list, please remember to bring your **Photo ID** and face covering.

New this year with COVID-19 concerns we are asking that only one parent (who has not been showing symptoms and is fever free) be the only person to attend drop off and pick up with their camper.

First Date of Camp	Camp Events	Check-In Begins	Check-Out Begins
Sunday, June 6th	Backyard Mission Camp	4:00 PM Sunday	7:00 PM (June 10) Thursday
Friday, June 11 th	One Day Adventure	9:30 AM Friday	4:00 PM (June 11) Friday
Friday, June 11 th	Grand Adventure Camp	5:00 PM Friday	3:00 PM (June 13) Sunday
Sunday, June 13 th	Explorer's Camp	5:00 PM Sunday	5:00 PM (June 15) Tuesday
Sunday, June 20 th	All Star Sports Camp	5:00 PM Sunday	5:00 PM (June 25) Friday
Monday, June 21 st	Arts and Craft Camp	9:00 AM Daily	4:00 PM Daily (M-F)
Monday, July 5 th	H2Oly	5:00 PM Monday	Saturday, July 10 th , 5:00 PM
Monday, July 5 th	Adventure Day Camp - Week 1	9:00 AM Daily	4:00 PM Daily (M-F)
Monday, July 5 th	Mini Me Camp	9:00 AM Daily	11:30 AM Daily (M-F)
Monday, July 12 th	Adventure Day Camp – Week 2	9:00 AM Daily	4:00 PM Daily (M-F)
Monday, July 19 th	Adventure Day Camp – Week 3	9:00 AM Daily	4:00 PM Daily (M-F)
Monday, July 26 th	Adventure Day Camp – Week 4	9:00 AM Daily	4:00 PM Daily (M-F)
Monday, August 2 nd	Adventure Day Camp – Week 5	9:00 AM Daily	4:00 PM Daily (M-F)

Pictures, Email, & Camper Mail: Pictures are securely posted and password-protected at www.westohiocamps.smugmug.com during your time at camp. Personal emails may also be sent to campers through our website www.westohiocamps.org. Messages are printed out daily and distributed to your camper (campers will not have access to respond via email). Upon check-in at camp, you will be given a flyer with the website username and password for the event, as well as instructions for accessing the photos and utilizing the online email. To ensure that postal mail arrives to your camper during their stay, mail it at least four days before check-out day and add the camper's name and the camp event above the address line. If you have any requests for special occasions like a **camper's birthday**, feel free to let us know upon check-in, so we can help to make their day a great one! We kindly request that **no care packages** be sent to your camper.

Questions about registration or financial arrangements may be directed to the Administrative Coordinator, Lisa Nevels at 614-781-2630 or email camps@wocumc.org.

What to Bring to Camp:

- ✓ Bible
- ✓ Something to write with
- ✓ 3 Washable cloth masks. No disposables
- ✓ One outfit of clothes, underwear & socks for each day of camp (at least 5)
- ✓ At least one full set of clothes that can get muddy and dirty, including old shoes
- ✓ One pair of jeans or long pants
- ✓ Light jacket
- ✓ Pajamas
- ✓ 2 pair shoes (*sneakers or hiking shoes preferred*)
- ✓ Swimsuit
(*one-piece for girls, board-shorts for boys preferred*)
- ✓ Rain gear, raincoat, rubber boots
- ✓ Pillow and pillowcase
- ✓ Sheets, blanket, or sleeping bag (*required for Maumee River Trip*)
- ✓ Bath towel and washcloth
- ✓ Soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrush
- ✓ Deodorant (not aerosol)
- ✓ Beach towel
- ✓ Flashlight and batteries
- ✓ Sunscreen
- ✓ Insect repellent (not aerosol)
- ✓ Prescription medicine or over-the-counter medicine you need for the week, in original container with original instructions.

Optional/Recommended:

- ✓ Books or notebook for personal quiet time
- ✓ Bag/Backpack for tent events
- ✓ Waterproof shower shoes or rubber flip flops
- ✓ Something to carry your bath items in
- ✓ Disposable camera
- ✓ Paper, pencil, stamped and addressed envelopes to parents and friends

Do NOT Bring:

- ☹ Candy, gum, or any food
- ☹ Very short shorts
- ☹ Halter tops, spaghetti strap tops, or tops that bare your stomach
- ☹ Any portable music/internet/gaming devices
- ☹ Computer equipment
- ☹ Cell phones
- ☹ Fireworks
- ☹ Money or anything valuable
- ☹ Alcohol, cigarettes, or illegal drugs
- ☹ Weapons of any kind
- ☹ Any item that will detract from the purpose of the camp



Camp Address

Mail may be addressed to you:

(Camper Name)

(Event Name)

Camp Widewater
4050 County Road 424
Liberty Center, OH
43532

Director Rachel Palmer
Cell phone: 419-262-7598
Email: rpalmer@wocumc.org
Office Phone: 419-533-5900



Parent/Guardian Information

Thank you for bringing your child to Camp Wesley! We have prepared all year to provide an excellent experience for your camper. Our mission is to provide a spiritual, relational, and recreational environment where everyone can experience the love of Jesus. Questions? give us a call at 419-533-5900.

Camper Mail: Please send camper mail to the following address: (Camper Name) / (Camper Event)
Camp Widewater, 4050 Old US 24, Liberty Center, OH 43532

Please send letters prior to Monday afternoon to ensure they arrive before your camper leaves on Friday. Please do not send care packages/food. Any packages sent to campers will be held until check-out and given to the parents.

Weather Emergencies:

Your camper's safety is our primary concern. We actively monitor weather conditions and warnings, and our staff are trained on how to respond to specific weather emergencies. If you are unable to reach the camp office, please call the West Ohio Conference office at 614-844-6200 for updated emergency weather information.

Campers Missing Home:

Some campers may miss home while at camp, especially younger campers and those away from home for the first time. Our staff are trained to provide comfort and care to these campers. In our experience, campers calling home at the first signs of missing home will only intensify these feelings. In persistent cases, we may call home for you to comfort them or to ask how to best proceed.

Visitors:

We discourage parents from visiting as it may cause feelings of missing home for your camper and others in their group. Campers are not permitted to receive visitors such as friends, siblings, or grandparents while at camp.

Parent/Guardian Notification:

You will be contacted if your camper experiences an injury or illness that prevents them from participating in their scheduled activities, or if they need advanced medical care. We will work with you to decide how to best care for your camper and whether they should remain at camp.

Trips Off-Site:

Some campers may have the opportunity to experience an off-site trip such as rock climbing, kayaking, or hiking. These campers will be transported by licensed and trained drivers in regularly inspected, camp-owned vehicles. Campers on trips are closely monitored by our staff and never allowed to separate from the group.

Camper Pick-Up:

Pick-up is at 5:00 PM on Friday. Please have a photo ID ready to sign your camper out. If you are picking your camper up early, please notify us ahead of time so that they are ready when you arrive.