Dear Camper and Parents/Guardians,

We are delighted to have you join us for a week of Faith, Fun and Friendship at Sugar Creek Bible Camp! Our theme this summer is “THE WATER OF LIFE!”, based on Isaiah 43:2. In addition to this letter, you should have a profile questionnaire, a health history and permission form, and your registration receipt. Please read these forms carefully and verify your week of camp. Then, complete and return the forms to camp as soon as possible. Your camp tuition balance is due by June 1, 2017 but we welcome early payments! Mark this important date on your calendar and please ask your church to send campership funds by June 1 as well.

If you would like to make payments toward your balance, e-mail us or call 608-734-3113 to arrange a payment plan. You may send one check to cover all your campers’ fees or pay by credit card. You MUST call us to cancel: deposits are not refunded for cancellations after June 1, 2017. Registration questions may be e-mailed to: Kati Allen, Registrar kati@sgrcreek.org and program questions to: Jeff Thompson, Program Director program@sgrcreek.org or you may call our office: 608-734-3113.

**Arrival Time:** Please check-in between 2:00-4:00pm on the Sunday of your camp week. Families are invited to tour the camp via horse-drawn wagon ride during this time. If you will be late, please call ahead to let us know. Please, no early arrivals as our counselors are busy preparing for the week up until 2:00pm.

**Departure Time:** Families are welcome to attend our closing program on Friday at 1:00 pm. ALLOW TIME TO PARK AND WALK TO THE PROGRAM. If you plan to pick up your child before 1:30pm on Friday, you must complete an early release form at Sunday check-in. If you do not attend the closing program, plan to pick up your camper(s) no later than 1:30pm. PLEASE BE PROMPT! DO NOT BRING PETS along when you drop off or pick up your child. Also, please check your children’s luggage before you depart, claim the correct sleeping bag and pillow, and check the Lost and Found table. Many valuables are left behind! We do not keep lost and found after summer so please call us ASAP to inquire about items.

**Pilgrims Arrival/Departure Times:** 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grade, 1/2 week program

- Campers attending Sunday to Tuesday arrive Sunday between 2:00-4:00pm during our regular camper registration and depart at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, with a closing program for families. PLEASE BE PROMPT!

- Campers attending Wednesday to Friday arrive Wednesday at 9:00am. Departure is Friday at 1:30pm after the campers participate in our regular closing program at 1:00pm. PLEASE BE PROMPT!

**Phone Calls:** Parents/Guardians, do not promise your campers that they may call you from camp or that you will call them. The Camp Director, or other designated person, will call you in case of an emergency or an injury or illness which prevents your child from participating in camp activities for an extended period of time. In case of severe HOMESICKNESS, the Director will call to discuss the situation.

**First Aid, Medications, Dietary Needs:** Sugar Creek always has a qualified first aid person on staff. Medications must come in the original container with directions for use. All medications will be collected and dispersed by the First Aid provider, including non-prescription drugs and vitamins. Inhalers are an exception. Please refer to our Health History Form for OTC medications Sugar Creek has available in the Infirmary. If your child has special dietary needs (e.g. Gluten-free, severe allergies, etc.) you may pack necessary foods for them to eat at mealtimes while at camp. Please call or e-mail if you have dietary or medical questions.

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**Money:** At check-in, campers may bank money to use at canteen time. Canteen items, such as juice, snacks, Gatorade, etc. range in price from $1.00 to $2.00. Most on-site campers visit the canteen daily. Unspent money will be returned on Friday or can be donated to our summer missions. Sugar Creek T-shirts, sweatshirts, hats, etc. may be purchased during Sunday arrival and Friday departure times.

**Packing for Camp:** Bring only the essentials. TRAVEL LIGHTLY—especially Riverboat, Voyageur, and Pedal & Paddle campers. Pack old clothing that can get DIRTY! Label EVERYTHING with your name and phone number. A checklist can help campers with end-of-the-week packing.

**PACK THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN AN EASY-TO-CARRY TRAVEL BAG:**

- **Bible** - If you do not have a Bible we will gladly give you one!
- **Raincoat or Poncho** - Campers participate in activities rain or shine.
- **Personal Items** - Bring travel-size shampoo, soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, a towel...
- **Water bottle** - Fill yours at camp and stay hydrated wherever you go.
- **Flashlight** - Pack a small inexpensive flashlight and extra batteries.
- **Shoes** - Sneakers/hikers for everyday use, sandals for the pool, and boots/sturdy shoes for horse rides. Strap-on sandals (not flip flops) or old shoes can be used for creek stomping.
- **Sleeping Bag & Pillow** - Bring a warm, outdoor-use-sleeping bag, or blankets and a bag, and a pillow.
- **Bug Repellent/Sunscreen** - Pack a small bottle of each to protect your camper.
- **Warm Clothes** - Evenings at camp are often cool, so please pack a sweatshirt or a light jacket, and long pants and socks. You must have a pair of long pants to wear on horseback rides.
- **Summer Wear** - Pack comfortable clothes for warm, daytime activities.
- **Backpack** - A backpack or cinch bag is helpful for day trips, overnights, carrying things around camp...
- **Camera** - One-time-use-cameras are best for camp, labeled with your name and phone number.
- **Swim Suit** - Girls may wear one-piece swimsuits or Tankini suits: boys need to wear swim trunks. No bikinis or Speedo briefs are permitted. This policy applies to ALL CAMP PROGRAMS.

**Mail:** Campers love getting mail, but please, NO FOOD or CANDY!! Send letters early to:

**SUGAR CREEK BIBLE CAMP**
Camper’s Name, Program and Counselor’s Name (if known)
13141 Sugar Creek Bible Camp Road
Ferryville, WI 54628

Campers do not receive mail on Fridays as our mail does not arrive until after campers depart. Be advised that Fed-Ex/UPS deliveries DO NOT always arrive within their published timelines. Allow at least 3 business days for mail to travel.

**DO NOT BRING:** Firearms, fireworks, hunting or other knives, pets, tobacco products, alcohol, drugs, non-prescription drugs, radios, CD, MP3, or I-pod players, cell phones, walkie talkies, or food. Campers found with alcohol or drugs will be dismissed from camp. Other items will be locked up and returned on Friday.

From La Crosse: Hwy 35 South to County Rd C (just south of Ferryville.) Turn left onto County C and drive 6 miles until you see the Sugar Creek Bible Camp sign. Turn right onto Sugar Creek Bible Camp Rd, drive across the bridge, and park on the lower-level, grassy area.

From Prairie Du Chien: Hwy 35 North to County Rd C (just south of Ferryville.) Turn right onto County C and drive 6 miles until you see the Sugar Creek Bible Camp sign. Turn right onto Sugar Creek Bible Camp Rd, drive across the bridge, and park on the lower-level, grassy area.

From Viroqua: Hwy 27 South to County Rd C. Turn right onto County C and drive 3 miles to camp. Turn left before the Sugar Creek Bible Camp sign onto Sugar Creek Bible Camp Rd, drive across the bridge, and park on the lower-level, grassy area.

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