

YMCA Camp T. Frank Soles

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Camper Profile/Waiver

Camper's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Birthday: _____ Age: _____

Mother's Name: _____ Occupation: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Father's Name: _____ Occupation: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Please List Those Authorized to pick your child up from Camp Soles:

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Relationship: _____

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Name: _____ Phone: _____ Relationship: _____

Camper Needs:

You can help us have your child adjust easier to camp life by answering the following questions:

1. Has your camper been away from home before? Yes No
2. Has your camper been to camp before? Yes No If yes, where? _____
3. What is your camper's swimming ability? None A little He/She's a Fish
4. Does your camper have any fears? Yes No If yes, what? _____
5. What does your Child want to be at camp? _____
6. State any specific interest or hobbies, special characteristics or problems that we should be aware of:

Please sign Release Waivers on other Side – Thank you!

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Dear Campers & Parents,

Greetings from **YMCA Camp T. Frank Soles!** Thanks for registering for camp this summer.

We have _____ registered for the following session(s):

Your Deposit of \$_____ has been received. Your Balance Due is \$_____.

We have assembled a wonderful staff team to make this summer a fun and memorable one for your child. We are committed to making camp extremely fun, and running diverse programs that each child will enjoy. Please take a few moments to familiarize yourself with the following information. The Consent/Waiver and Medical forms should be returned to us as soon as possible. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at 814-352-7217 or 1-800-677-1811.

We look forward to seeing you this summer!

A Parent's Guide to Camp Soles

Drop Off and Pick Up

Parents should plan on dropping off their child at camp between 2:30 pm – 4:30 pm on Sunday afternoon. Your child should be picked up from camp on Saturday, between 9:00 am – 11:00 am. (Winter Camp: drop off will be 7:30 am – 9:30 am on Monday, and pick up will be 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm on Friday.) For the safety of your child, **Parents will be asked to show a picture ID when picking up campers and must be on the authorized list for pickup.**

Camp Fees

All fees are due no later than four weeks prior to my child's arrival to camp. The deposit and pre paid activity fees are not refundable and your child's week will only be reserved upon receipt of these fees. Refunds on fees are given only for certified medical reasons on a pro-rated basis. To receive a refund, please submit a doctor's note within one week of your child's absence. There are no refunds for late arrivals, homesickness, or any child removed for disciplinary reasons. Camp Soles accepts Cash, Visa, MasterCard and checks. Please note there is a \$25.00 charge for all checks returned to Camp Soles.

Keeping Camp Informed

Please keep Camp informed of any changes in important contact information. Correct information will help camp ensure the safety and comfort of your child. Please keep the Summer Camp Director informed of any Changes in your child's life that could affect their stay at camp. (School problems, illness in the family, divorce/separation) While we respect every family's privacy, accurate information will allow us to be more sensitive to your child's needs and ensure they have a good time at camp.

Publicity

Throughout the summer, the opportunity may present itself that your child's picture may be taken for the newspaper or other publicity reasons. Please sign the "Publicity" line on the Camper Profile/Waiver form in order to possibly see your child in a local newspaper, on our website, in next year's brochure or other Camp Soles promotional pieces.

Mail

A camper receiving mail from home is always an exciting time at camp. Due to space limitations, we encourage care packages to be no larger than a shoebox (Postal Service Priority Mail Boxes work great!) or use our partner "Sealed with a Kiss." Letters and packages can be sent to your child at the following address:

Your Child's Name
C/O Camp Soles
134 Camp Soles Lane
Rockwood, PA 15557

Packing List

Here is a list of items that we suggest the children bring to Camp. Please label all clothes with your child's name. Counselors will make every effort to get clothing back to your child. It is your responsibility to check the lost and found articles at pick up.

Sleeping Bag	Pillow	Towels/Washcloths	Soap
Toothpaste	Shampoo	Pajamas	Underwear
T-Shirts	Shorts	Long Pants	Sweatshirt
Tennis Shoes	Shower Thongs	Boots	Socks
Flashlight	Disposable Camera	Laundry Bag	Pre Addressed and Stamped Envelopes
Pen/Pencil/Paper	Fishing Rod		

Summer Camp

Swim Suit	Swimming Towel	Light Jacket	Sun Screen
Insect Repellent	Ball Glove	Goggles	Water Shoes

Winter Camp

Snow Bibs/Pants	Gloves	Toboggan	Winter Jacket
Extra Blankets	Extra Socks	Snow Boots	Long Underwear

Camp cabins have limited space; we suggest that you pack items in a footlocker or a couple of "small" luggage bags. Campers should assist in packing at home so they are aware of what items are taken to camp.

Video Games, Cards, Radios, Cell Phones

Camp promotes group unity, cooperation, and teamwork. In an effort to help achieve this, we ask that campers who bring in video games, magic cards, cell phones, radios of any kind, or any other item that may detract from

the scheduled activities of the day keep these items in their cabin. **Camp Soles is not responsible for any damaged or lost items brought to the camp.**

Lost and Found

While our staff will make every effort to help your child keep track of his/her belongings, Camp Soles is not responsible for your camper's personal possessions. All items left at camp will be kept at the camp office until the end of August for you to pick up. Or it will be donated to charitable organizations.

Weekend Stay-Over

Campers staying for two or more consecutive weeks are welcomed to stay over the break at camp with supervised, fun activities for an additional fee. This option will include meals, laundry service and a Saturday trip to a local attraction. Please see the registration packet for more details.

Changing/Canceling Sessions

Should it be necessary for you to change or cancel your child's session, you must contact Camp at least two weeks prior to the beginning of the session. There is a \$10.00 charge for any session changes. The registration deposit fee is nonrefundable for cancellations.

Medication

All medications (prescription and over the counter) must be **in their original containers** and turned into the Office during sign in. Prescribed and over the counter medication **will be administered as directed** on the bottle and must be clearly marked with the child's name. All prescribed medications must have the name of medication and name of physician labeled on bottle. If medication is used on an "as needed" bases please mark it on the bottle. If dosage has changed since prescription was filled, a signed note from the attending physician must be presented to the camp Director describing the new dosage.

Visitors and Telephone Calls

At Camp Soles, we do not permit phone calls and visits to campers unless there is a family emergency. Also, please do not ask your child to call home. There are no public phones available to campers. Please rest assured; parents will be contacted in case of any problems or emergencies. Just to let you know, if your child does bring a cell phone he/she might not be able to get any signal here at camp.

Camp Store

A camp store account can be set up during check in. Camp Soles Market has a wide variety of camp clothing and souvenirs available for purchase. Also new in the summer of '09 will be "Zac's Snack Shack" where campers will be able to get snacks after dinner.

Staff

Camp Staff Members are mature, responsible individuals selected for their special abilities and experience in working with children and camp programs. All staff participates in an intensive one-week pre-camp training on topics such as child development, camp skills, and First Aid & CPR. All counselors are at least 18 years old and are chosen through careful screening and background checks.

Discipline

While Camp Soles is a very positive place, behavior problems do arise from time to time with our campers. Our staff is well trained in behavior modification. Camp has established 2 classifications of unacceptable behavior for our campers and appropriate systems for dealing with each. Please note it is not our intention to alarm parents, but rather to make everyone aware of our policies.

Class 1- General disruptive behavior: This includes, but is not limited to profanity, verbal abuse, tardiness, and generally uncooperative attitude.

Class 1-discipline issues will be dealt with in the following manner:

1. The Camper will have a discussion with their Counselor and try to modify the behavior.
2. If the problem persists, the Head Counselor will be brought in to help with the process.
3. If all of the above attempts fail to correct the behavior, the problem will become a Class 2 issue and be brought before the Camp Director.

Class 2- Dangerous and overly disruptive behavior: This includes, but is not limited to theft, damage of property, assault of any kind, possession of weapons, alcohol, illegal drugs, or tobacco products, continual group disruption.

Any camper deemed to have a Class 2 behavior issue will be brought directly to the attention of the Camp Director and you the parents will be notified. Class 2 behavior issues and repeated issues may result in the immediate dismissal from Camp. No refunds will be issued for behavior dismissals.

Questions

If you still have questions regarding your child's stay at Camp Soles, please do not hesitate to call us at either 1-800-677-1811 or 814-352-7217 and we will be happy to assist you.

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Camper Registration Checklist

_____ Registration Form

_____ Camper Health History Form 1 (green)

_____ Camper Health History Form 2 (pink)

_____ Camper Profile/Waiver Form (blue)

_____ Copy of Camper's Insurance Card

_____ Deposit and Activity Fee

*All forms and fees listed above are due to the above address no later than 4 weeks prior to your child's arrival to camp. ~Thanks