



WELCOME TO CAMP KNUTSON

Please read through this information — we hope it will answer most of your questions before you arrive at camp. Please do not hesitate to contact our office at 218.543.4232 for more details.

CAMP KNUTSON POLICIES

1. Every attempt is made to encourage preservation of our beautiful grounds. All campers are expected to respect the trees, land, buildings, equipment and each other. Individuals, families or groups registered will be held responsible for any damage to the grounds, property, buildings and/or equipment.
2. Camp quiet hours are from 10:00 p.m. to 7:30 a.m. Sound travels with the lakes nearby, so please be respectful of fellow families and guests at camp.
3. Paddle boats, Paddle boards, kayaks and canoes are available for use during specified waterfront times only. PFDs must be worn by all participants at all times while on any watercraft, including motorboats. Kayak and canoe trips must be accompanied by a K staff member.
4. Alcoholic beverages are not permitted at camp.
5. Tobacco use inside any structure or on the grounds away from camper cabins or sites is not allowed. Pre-established smoking areas will be made available upon request.
6. Use of illegal drugs is prohibited.
7. Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota bans guns and weapons of any kind on the premises of Camp Knutson. All firearms are prohibited on camp property.
8. Campers should park cars in established parking zones during their stay at camp. We ask that personal vehicles are only driven through camp for loading and unloading during arrival and departure.
9. Use of the waterfront area is only allowed at scheduled times and only when a Camp Knutson lifeguard is present. Unscheduled swimming or use of Camp Knutson waterfront equipment is strictly prohibited. The sauna at waterfront is also strictly prohibited throughout the summer.
10. Camper families or groups are responsible for their own emergency care and emergency transportation unless ambulatory transportation is utilized. Emergency contact



information must be provided within your registration documentation in order for your reservation to be valid.

11. Camp Knutson advises parents/guardians to carry participant health information including name and address, emergency contact information, allergies or health conditions, and a signed permission to treat or religious waiver for any minors.
12. All campers under 18 should always be supervised by an adult.
13. Any recreational activity carries with it normal levels of physical risk. Any injuries to campers while participating in activities at Camp Knutson are the responsibility of that camper or responsible adult.
14. All persons attending Camp Knutson must fill out and sign requested forms prior to arrival on CampDoc registration platform.
15. We require that all family groups utilize the below supervision ratios for children within their care:

Age of Children	Number of Children	Number of Adults
0 - 5	3	1
5 - 10	4	1
10 - 17	5	1

16. If a summer reservation is cancelled and not rescheduled, your initial deposit will be forfeited. The \$200 registration fee is not refundable. Cabins not in use because of registration cancellations may be used by the camp staff for other functions.
17. If your cancellation is due to a camper's illness, medical reasons or other uncontrollable circumstance, your camp fees will be refunded when cancellation is accompanied by a doctor's or other official statement.



Camp Knutson

COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS

Health of Campers and Staff: Campers and staff are expected to closely monitor their health and the health of their cabin groups before and during their stay at camp. If you, or anyone in your party, are experiencing any COVID-like symptoms before you arrive, please consider canceling your trip (for a full refund) or rescheduling for a later date. Be prepared to answer the following questions as you arrive at camp:

1. Have you or anyone in your house traveled to another country in the last 14 days?
2. Within the last 14 days, has someone in your household tested positive for COVID-19?
3. Are you currently experiencing any symptoms of illness?

If the answer is yes to any of these questions, please consider rescheduling your trip to Camp Knutson. All staff are expected to stay home if they experience any symptoms of illness.

Physical Distancing: All camp staff are currently practicing the social distance guidelines as recommended by the CDC and Minnesota Department of Health. We ask that all campers respect this policy and remain at least 6 feet away from other family groups during their stay.

Disinfecting: Prior to your visit, your cabin will be fully disinfected using CDC approved disinfectant that is also EPA certified. Each cabin's high touch points will be cleaned with chemicals aimed at killing viruses. This includes door handles, light switches, thermostats, all dishes and cooking utensils, and coffee makers. In addition, we aim to have at least 30 hours of unoccupied time in each cabin between visitors.

Program Areas: All buildings and indoor program areas, including the Bazinet Recreation Center, Nature Center and Camp Office, are closed to campers during free time unless specified otherwise.

Masking: The CDC and MN Department of Health Interim Guidance for Overnight Camps require that all persons age five and older and camp staff wear face masks when they cannot maintain a six-foot distance from others. There are some exceptions to this order. If you or your camper meet these criteria, please communicate with Camp Knutson before the first day of camp.

1. All participants and staff will be required to wear masks throughout the duration of camp any time they are indoors or cannot maintain six feet of distance from another person who is not in their family group.
2. When outdoors AND physical distancing can be maintained by greater than six feet, masking will not be required.
3. Leadership staff, program staff, kitchen staff and all support staff must wear a mask any time they are indoors or not six feet away from another staff person, camper or cabin group.
4. Participants and staff are not to enter any other cabin than their own.
5. We encourage you to bring masks (cloth or disposable) that you find the most comfortable. We also will have some disposable masks available but not enough to provide for all campers throughout the entire week.



ARRIVAL TIME

Campers may arrive any time between 11 a.m. and 12 p.m. on the first day of their reservation. Please head to the Bazinet Recreation Center to check yourself in before proceeding to your cabin. There will be staff helping guide you to the appropriate locations. Due to cabin cleaning and disinfecting guidelines, you will not be able to check into your cabin early unless given specific permission. Please plan your travel time accordingly.

WHAT TO BRING

Bedding and Towels: Bedding, pillows and towels are not provided at Camp Knutson. For bedding, sleeping bags are convenient, or you can bring sheets and blankets. All Camp K beds are twin-sized. Bring hand, bath, dish and beach towels.

Food: Meals will be served during specific times of the day. Snacks will be available throughout the day. You may bring a few additional snacks with you that can be stored in the cabin — be mindful only some cabins have refrigerator space. Camp Knutson does not provide dishes for the cabin space.

Clothing: Although we like to believe we can control the weather at Camp Knutson, we sometimes experience inclement weather. The days can occasionally be rainy, and the evenings can be slightly chilly. Be sure to pack a variety of clothing items so that you may comfortably take advantage of outdoor time at camp. The lake is usually great this time of year, so remember a bathing suit! Additionally, please pack enough clothes for your entire stay as there are no public laundry facilities at camp.

Miscellaneous: Other items to add to your packing list include: face masks, water bottle, personal toiletries, bath towel, beach towel, electronic chargers, umbrella, bug spray, sunscreen, hat, sunglasses, Minnesota Fishing License (if 16 years of age and older), games, puzzles or other activities that your family enjoys.

Toiletries and Additional Health Related Items: Be sure to include all your common toiletries for a normal family vacation while also considering the additional items related to our current health crisis.

- Thermometer
- Face masks for each family member: These will be required inside all of our buildings this summer, with the exception of your personal cabin.
- Hand sanitizer/disinfecting wipes: We will provide hand and dish soap in your cabins, as well as hand sanitizing stations throughout camp. We also suggest you bring a personal stock of wipes and hand sanitizer to carry with you if possible.



PHONES

Cell phone reception is strong at camp. While cell phones are allowed, we ask that they are not used during program activities. We highly encourage you to keep your phone in your cabin. This is your time to get away and unplug from technology.

WI-FI

In light of the current environment, we understand the importance of campers being able to access Wi-Fi while they are here at camp. While we always encourage unplugging at Camp Knutson, Wi-Fi will be available in specific cabins, Bazinet Recreation Center and the Dining Hall so that individuals may access the internet from camp. If you are in either Bazinet or the Dining Hall, you must wear a mask. Look for the current Wi-Fi access information at your cabin when you arrive at camp. We highly encourage you to unplug and take in the outdoors while you are here at camp.

SUPERVISION OF CHILDREN

Parent or adult chaperones assume responsibility for the care, supervision and safety of all children at all times during the week including while participating in formal program activities by Camp Knutson staff. See required children supervision ratios below.

CANTEEN

The camp store is located in the Bazinet Recreation Center and will be open for shopping by request only. The camp store contains hats, T-shirts, sweatshirts, water bottles, mugs and much more Camp K gear for purchase.

CABIN CLEANUP AND CHECK OUT

Care of the cabins and grounds is the responsibility of all campers. All campers are expected to wipe down surfaces, clear their dishes and ensure all trash is properly disposed. Please remember to plan your cleanup schedule so that you are out of your cabin by 11:00a.m. on your last day. Due to COVID-19 related cleaning and sanitizing of cabins, we are unable to accommodate late check outs at this time.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

First aid kits are located in all program buildings around camp. Any Camp Knutson staff member will be able to assist you in locating the necessary medical supplies.

AEDs are located and readily accessible in the Camp Office (Pauly's Place), the Dining Hall and the Boat House.

Detailed emergency procedures are posted in each cabin. Please take some time to familiarize yourself with Camp Knutson's emergency procedures upon arrival.



Camp Knutson

PETS

Out of respect for possible allergies of other campers, pets are not permitted onsite at Camp Knutson or in any of the cabins. Camp Knutson does have a camp dog that belongs to our Program Director. He is hypoallergenic and will primarily be in the main office or outside with Caitlin.

LOST AND FOUND

Please keep track of all personal items brought to camp. Unclaimed lost and found items will be stored at Camp Knutson through the end of September. Camp Knutson is not responsible for personal items that are lost, left behind or misused by other campers.

ACCESSIBILITY

If a family member has a disability requiring an accommodation or a special need you would like us to be aware of, please let us know as soon as possible. This information enables us to better meet the needs of your family within available resources.

MISSION STATEMENT

Camp Knutson is dedicated to nurturing the well-being of persons with identified needs in a setting that celebrates God's love for community and creation.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Jared Griffin - Camp Director
Jared.Griffin@lssmn.org
712.249.9621

Camp Knutson
11148 Manhattan Pt Blvd
Crosslake, MN 56442
Camp Knutson Phone: 218.543.4232

2021 YEAR-ROUND STAFF

Jared Griffin — Camp Director
Caitlin Malin — Program Director
Josh Sitarz – Program Coordinator
Dennie Fry – Maintenance Supervisor

Camp Knutson holds multiple fundraisers throughout the year to subsidize the cost of camp for our partner organizations. Camp Knutson welcomes those who wish to participate in any way to help make those efforts possible. Financial assistance is supported in part by contributions through our fundraisers, private donations and seasonal campaigns.