

# Sherwood Forest Summer Camp Parent Packet

Greetings, parents!

Sherwood Forest Summer Camp is nigh upon us! Herein we have furnished some useful information to help you and your camper prepare for their grand adventure!

All of this info is for you to keep, except the final page which we ask that you review with your camper and bring with you on check-in day.

## Camp Telephone Number

512 222 8570

## Camp Address

Drop off your camper here	Send camper mail here	Send administrative paperwork here
<p>1883 Old Hwy 20 McDade TX 78650</p> <p><i>This address takes you to the wrong location in most vehicle GPS systems, but if you use Google Maps and type in "Sherwood Forest Faire – Day Parking" you will come to the correct place. Alternatively, use the map furnished later in this packet.</i></p>	<p>3106 US Hwy 290 E Paige TX 78659</p> <p><i>We encourage you to bring mail for your camper with you and leave it with us at the same time as you drop off your camper. However, you can send something to this address if you forget to do that.</i></p>	<p>PO Box 10816 Houston TX 77206</p> <p><i>Applications, payments, medical info, etc. should be sent to this address.</i></p>

## Staff Contacts

If you have a question or concern, one of these people can likely help! Everyone responds to text messages.

Topic	Staff Member	Contact Info
Enrollment Financial	Brian O’Leary Admissions Director	brian@sherwoodforestsummercamp.com mobile: 832 875 5733
Medications Health Considerations	Kristine Byrd Healthcare Coordinator	kristine@sherwoodforestsummercamp.com mobile: 512 520 6974
Menu <i>(Please do not report dietary restrictions to the chef – do that on your enrollment forms)</i>	Michael Smith Chef	mobile: 979 575 2733
Curriculum Apprenticeships Facilities ... and everything else!	Teach Minchew Camp Director	teach@sherwoodforestsummercamp.com mobile: 210 464 1867

# Drop-Off & Pick-Up Schedule

## Sunday (first day of session)

- ➔ 1:00 p.m. – Camper Check-In Begins.
  - ❖ If you intend to “drop and dash” we suggest coming as close to 1:00pm as possible.
  - ❖ If you would like to participate in the Parent Tour of the grounds, we suggest coming closer to 1:45pm so that you have time to check in but are not standing around for a long time wishing for the tour to begin!
- ➔ 2:45 p.m. - Parents’ Tour
- ➔ 4:00 p.m. - Camper Check-In Concludes  
Parents depart  
Yay! The fun begins!

## Saturday (last day of session)

- ➔ 10:00 a.m. – Greenwoode Theatre Campers’ Theatrical Performance  
  
*We encourage parents to support their campers by attending the theater production!*
- ➔ 11:30 a.m. – Front Gate Camper Check-Out  
Don’t forget to:  
Collect your camper’s goodies  
Check Lost and Found  
Collect leftover medication from the Nurse

## Parents of Campers attending consecutive weeks

- ➔ You may attend your child’s intersession theatre production if you wish
- ➔ You may stay to share lunch on the intersession Saturday if you wish, but you must bring your own lunch. For the sake of simplicity we cannot accommodate additional eaters!
- ➔ Parents must depart by 1pm.
- ➔ You may take your child off site for a few hours if you wish to spend time with them elsewhere, but we ask that you have them back by 6pm for their evening routine.

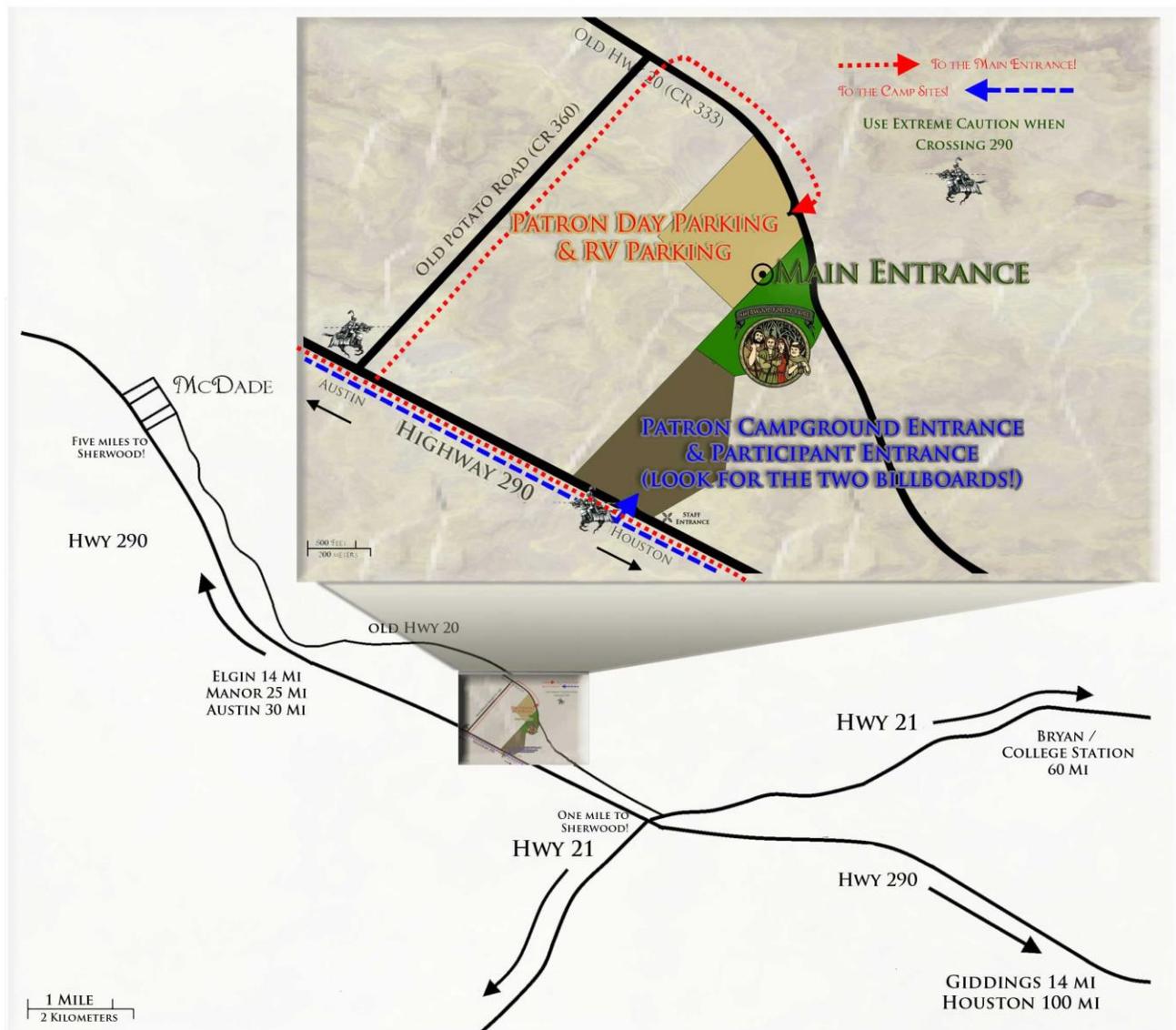
*If you intend to enjoy lunch or spend time offsite with your child on Saturday, please inform the Camp Director in advance via email to [director@sherwoodforestsummercamp.com](mailto:director@sherwoodforestsummercamp.com).*

# DIRECTIONS TO SHERWOOD FOREST

PARKING LOT ENTRANCE ADDRESS:  
1883 OLD HWY 20, MCDADE TX 78650

GPS SYSTEMS BUILT INTO A CAR TYPICALLY LEAD A DRIVER TO A SPOT 7 MILES AWAY FROM US. YOU CAN EITHER USE GOOGLE NAVIGATION AND TYPE IN "SHERWOOD FOREST FAIRE - DAY PARKING LOT" OR FOLLOW THESE DIRECTIONS:

TURN OFF US HIGHWAY 290 (RIGHT IF COMING FROM HOUSTON, LEFT IF FROM AUSTIN) ONTO OLD POTATO ROAD. PROCEED 1/2 MILE TO THE END OF OLD POTATO ROAD AND TURN RIGHT ONTO OLD HIGHWAY 20. OUR PATRON DAY PARKING LOT IS 1/4 MILE AHEAD OF THE RIGHT-HAND SIDE.



**HAVING TROUBLE? CALL 512 222 8570**

# Packing List

## A Note About Labeling

Please label all of your camper's belongings so that everything he/she brings can be returned. You can get 100 iron-on labels from [www.campbound.com](http://www.campbound.com) or [amazon.com](http://amazon.com) for around \$20. For non-clothing items, sharpie (with or without masking tape) will usually do the trick. Items left behind which are identifiable will be mailed home. Items that are not labeled will be donated to charity.

### Bedding

*We will be providing a cot for every camper. Please provide bedding suitable for use on a 74 x 25 inch sleeping cot.*

- ➔ Pillow w/pillow case
- ➔ Sheets
- ➔ Blanket
- ➔ Extra foam padding if desired (the cots are firm)

### Clothing

- ➔ 7 changes of hot-weather clothing
- ➔ 1 pair of jeans (required for blacksmithing)
- ➔ 10-12 pairs of socks
- ➔ 2 pairs of closed-toe shoes
- ➔ Period renaissance clothing. This is optional, though we do encourage campers to bring at least one period outfit to wear at a special event that will be happening each Friday night
- ➔ Dirty laundry bag

### Swim Gear

- ➔ 2 Bathing Suits
- ➔ Swim Towel
- ➔ Swim Shoes/Crocs (for going to/from pool & showers)

### Hygiene

- ➔ Toothbrush
- ➔ Toothpaste
- ➔ Soap
- ➔ Shampoo / Conditioner
- ➔ Lotion
- ➔ Deodorant
- ➔ Gold Bond (or similar) anti-chafing powder (or stick)
- ➔ Feminine products (if applicable)
- ➔ A plastic caddy, mesh bag, etc to carry all of the above
- ➔ Bath towel / washcloth
- ➔ Swim Shoes/Crocs (for going to/from pool & showers)

### Accessories

- ➔ Closeable, refillable drinking vessel. Please don't forget this, or your camper will have to travel to a drink station quite frequently and create waste by using disposable cups.
- ➔ Bullfrog Spray-On Sunscreen. Please purchase only this brand. Other brands clog up the pool filter with oils. It is widely available including at HEB, Walgreens, Amazon and many other places: <http://www.bullfrogsunscreen.com/where-to-buy.html>
- ➔ Insect repellent
- ➔ Sunglasses
- ➔ Rain poncho
- ➔ Head covering such as a hat or bandana
- ➔ Flashlight
- ➔ Large tupperware or trunk for gear storage

### Comfort Items

- ➔ Book
- ➔ Journal and pen/pencil
- ➔ Games to share with fellow campers during downtime

### **Mail /Package for your Camper**

- ➔ We will have a mail call each week on Wednesday. Please bring with you a letter or small care package that we will store until then and give to your child on your behalf. Please do not send any food as it will attract ants and critters to the campers' sleeping quarters!
- ➔ If you wish to send your child mail and gifts, consider avoiding phrases such as "I miss you so much" as this generally makes homesickness worse, especially for younger or first time campers.

### **Prescription/ Over the Counter Medication**

- ➔ Any prescription & over the counter medications must be in original packaging, including the prescription bottle with pharmacy label if applicable. (Any pharmacy can make you a replacement bottle with a replacement label if the original bottle has been misplaced)
- ➔ Daily medications will be distributed after breakfast and/or at bedtime unless the label or a physician's note requires otherwise
- ➔ Please keep medications in hand at camper registration, rather than packed. All meds will need to be left with the Nurse.

*Contact [Nurse@SherwoodForestSummerCamp.com](mailto:Nurse@SherwoodForestSummerCamp.com) if you have any questions about our medication policy.*

### **What Not to Pack**

- ➔ Electronics of any kind, including mobile phones, cameras, iPods, iPads, etc.
- ➔ Food
- ➔ Weapons from any period

# Camper Rights & Responsibilities

**PLEASE REVIEW THIS WITH YOUR CAMPER AND BRING IT WITH YOU TO CAMPER CHECK-IN.**

We want to foster a relationship of respect between all Campers and Camp Staff. As such we would like you to review the following statements with your Camper and have you, and them, sign at the bottom to indicate you have done so. Sherwood Forest Summer Camp Staff sign a similar document.

## Camper Rights

### As a camper, you have the right to...

- 👤 ... be respected for who you are.
- 👤 ... speak up if something is wrong.
- 👤 ... freedom from verbal and physical abuse.
- 👤 ... medical care.
- 👤 ... tasty, healthy meals.
- 👤 ... a safe and secure environment.

## Camper Responsibilities

### As a camper, it is my responsibility to...

- 👤 ... respect the environment, my peers, summer camp staff and forest dwellers.
- 👤 ... treat the people around me courteously.
- 👤 ... cooperate with camp staff and follow their instructions.
- 👤 ... help keep my camp site and the surrounding environment clean and put all litter in the trash receptacles.
- 👤 ... observe healthy hygiene habits by showering, brushing my teeth and changing clothes regularly.
- 👤 ... stay with my counselors, unless I have special permission not to be with them.
- 👤 ... talk to someone if I feel unsafe.
- 👤 ... have lots of FUN and a GREAT time.

### As a camper, I will not...

- 👤 ... bully, or put down other campers or staff.
- 👤 ... trespass, steal, vandalize or deface any property.
- 👤 ... enter the sleeping area of other campers unless invited, and I have permission from my counselor
- 👤 ... leave my sleeping area at night unless under direct staff supervision.
- 👤 ... deliberately hurt the feelings of anyone, including pulling pranks on others which could cause someone to feel offended or unsafe or that might result in retaliation.
- 👤 ... transport, sell, purchase or consume tobacco products, alcohol or illegal substances (such as drugs) of any kind while enrolled.
- 👤 ... use foul or abusive language, including language of a sexually explicit nature.

### I understand that if I am having trouble following this code of conduct, the following could happen:

- 👤 I may have a meeting with my counselor or one of the camp's senior staff.
- 👤 A staff member might call my parents to discuss my behavior.
- 👤 I may be asked to carry out a suitable consequence decided by my staff. (An example of a consequence is writing an apology letter.)
- 👤 I may be asked to go home early.

Camper Name	_____	Camper Signature	_____
Parent/Guardian Name	_____	Parent/Guardian Signature	_____