

25 ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS TO ASK BEFORE CHOOSING A SUMMER CAMP

Safety & Staff:

- What's your staff-to-camper ratio?
- What training do counselors receive?
- How do you handle medical emergencies?
- Is there a nurse on-site?
- What's your discipline policy?
- Do you do background checks on all staff?
- How do you handle bullying?

Daily Logistics:

- What does a typical day look like?
- What's the schedule for my child's age group?
- How much time is spent indoors vs. outdoors?
- What happens in bad weather?
- Can my child bring a friend?
- Are siblings placed together or separately?

Communication:

- How do you communicate with parents during camp?
- Can I visit during camp sessions?
- How do you handle homesickness?
- Will I get photos/updates?
- What if my child needs to leave early?

Food & Health:

- What food is provided? Can I see a sample menu?
- How do you handle food allergies?
- Can my child bring snacks?
- What's your sick policy?
- How do you administer medications?

Activities & Inclusion:

- What happens if my child doesn't want to do an activity?
- How do you accommodate different skill levels?
- Are there options for kids with special needs?
- What equipment is provided vs. what we bring?
- Are there additional costs for certain activities?

Financial:

- What's your refund/cancellation policy?
- Are there sibling discounts?
- Is financial aid available?
- What's not included in the base price?
- When are payments due?

