

Boating and Fishing

Class Management:

When a group comes to boating and fishing they will be escorted by two to four group counselors. Campers and counselors should be directed to sit in a designated spot. The boating and fishing specialists will welcome the group and give a brief overview of what the class will cover for the period.

Safety is an important topic to discuss when beginning the period.

Campers will be given the option to boat, fish or frog. They are allowed to switch when tired of an activity but this should be monitored, as we want kids to stay focused with an activity and learn different skill sets.

Safety Checklist

- Campers and counselors must wear a PFD (personal floatation devise) when boating.
- When in a kayak or paddleboat camper may not stand. They must stay seated at all times
- Boaters are not allowed in the fishing areas
- Campers who are waiting for a boat must sit on the dock with a counselor.
- Campers must not run
- When fishing it is important to keep space in-between campers
- When froging it is important campers do not get "too close" to the water.
- Campers must wear shoes when frogging and fishing
- There must be a counselor with campers at all time when at the pond.

Nursery campers are not allowed in boats by themselves. They must be accompanied by a counselor. They may not use the kayaks. Only the paddle boat's and row boat are to be used for the nursery campers.

Utilization of Staff:

For this activity to be safe and fun it is important staff be involved. Senior and junior counselors should be split. Councilors will be stationed with:

Fishing specialist-aiding the fishing specialist and keeping campers safe

Froggers- walking with campers around the pond making sure campers do not get to close to the waters edge.

Boating- helping campers put on and take off shoes, put on life jackets, sitting with campers on dock as they wait and going out in boats with campers.

Staff should not sit and talk with one another during this activity. They need to be given specific direction and assignments.