



## FAQ's FOR COUNSELORS

### **1. Can I make/receive phone calls?**

Yes. You may make calls from the office or use your cell phone. We ask that counselors **DO NOT** make phone calls during the workday or when you are in charge of campers. You may also receive EMERGENCY (or EXTREMELY important) calls on our business line; the number is (434) 454-4059. Do not give this number out to friends!

### **2. Do I have access to the Internet?**

We do have limited wireless internet access. You are more than welcome to bring your laptop computer. We ask that you not use the internet in the dorms or in view of campers. After hours it's common to use the staff lounge when you are not in charge of campers. Never share your computer or internet access with campers – they are to be completely unplugged while they are at camp. Our internet is not fantastic. It is usually enough to check emails, Facebook, etc. Please do NOT try to stream or download movies.

### **3. Are there laundry facilities?**

Yes. There are free laundry facilities on campus. You will need to supply your own detergent, which can be purchased in town during our time off or online.

### **4. How isolated is the camp? Is there somewhere nearby where I can buy toiletries, personal items, etc?**

Our campus is located near the very small town of Clover, where there is little more than a small convenience store. The nearest town is South Boston (30 minute drive) where there are grocery and drug stores to purchase essentials.

### **5. Can I receive and send mail regularly?**

Yes. You can have mail sent directly to camp. We receive USPS, FedEx and UPS. It will be delivered to the front office and be distributed via the staff lounge daily.

Our address is:

Your Name  
AstroCamp & Camp Motorsport  
8144 Mount Laurel Road  
Clover VA, 24534

### **6. What is the weather typically like?**

Summer days in Virginia are generally hot and humid, generally around 70-88F. Summer rain storms are a VERY common thing. Though they pass relatively quickly, the rain is normally heavy. We recommend a light weight rain jacket as it will still be humid.



## **7. Are there visitor days at camp?**

There are no visitor days. We also do not allow visitors while campers are in our care.

## **8. What's the best time for me to exercise?**

Before you wake up your campers at 7 AM is best, or at night after they're asleep. Please allow yourself enough time to be ready for the day.

## **9. What does staff training involve?**

Staff training consists of setting up the camp, learning the in's and out's of working with children aged 8-17, how to best protect them and the legal issues surrounding working with children, learning the daily camp routine (including activities and evening events, etc.), and bonding with other staff members.

## **10. Do I have to be lifeguard, first aid or CPR certified?**

You will be asked to attempt the Red Cross Lifeguarding Certification. You do NOT need to pass this but we ask that you attempt the course. First aid and CPR are great tools to add to your resume. All staff will become first aid and CPR certified.

## **11. Is there a dress code?**

Yes and no. We do not require that you wear a uniform, but we ask that you dress modestly and appropriately and please practice good cleanliness and personal hygiene. What modestly means is no thong bikinis, no Speedos; and please limit the use of low-rise pants, short-shorts, midriff baring or low cut t-shirts. Please keep in mind you are around teenagers all summer, so please dress modestly so not to draw any undue attention to your body. Campers will push the limits, but we as the role models should set a modest tone. When we say appropriately, we mean that you are not to wear any clothing advertising an alcoholic beverage, tobacco, drug usage, profane or political slogans. Please use your judgment. Also, a quick note, no tank tops in any food service areas, armpit hairs in the salad bar is not up to code with health standards!

**If you have any other questions, please email  
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