



Here are details to help make your camper's week at Barakel a success.

Contact Information:

Camp Barakel
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Contact Your Camper

Camper Name
Camp Barakel
PO Box 159
Fairview, MI 48621

For Non- USPS
Packages Use
1798 Shear Lake Rd
Fairview, MI 48621

Camper Email

Use our free one-way
Camper Mail email
system on our website.



Pre-Camp Parent Checklist

- ☐ **Review Travel Plans and Health Form:** Use our secure online portal to make changes to your camper's travel plans and health form. You should receive an invitation to these forms from CampDoc within two weeks of your registration. If you don't receive this e-mail, contact us for help.
- ☐ **Finalize Payment:** If you registered online and have a balance due, your balance will be automatically charged approximately one week prior to your camper(s)' arrival. If you registered by mail and paid the deposit by check (or if you registered online and opted out of the automatic charge for the balance), your balance, payable only by check or money order (no electronic or phone payments), is due at camp no later than one week prior to your camper(s)' arrival.
- ☐ **Packing Medications:** All medication (including over-the-counter medicine, vitamins, and supplements) must be sent in the original container, clearly marked with the child's name. Pack the medication (along with any updated instructions) in the camper's suitcase. It will be collected by our staff during orientation. Remember to update CampDoc with any medication changes that may have occurred since you completed it.
- ☐ **Cancellation?:** If something comes up and your camper is unable to attend, please let us know as soon as possible. Full refunds are available if we are notified two weeks prior to your camper's scheduled arrival at camp. If you have any registration questions, email us at Registrar@CampBarakel.org.
- ☐ **Pack up:** You'll find a complete packing list on the next page. Remember to label belongings. If something comes up missing when your camper returns home, email lostandfound@campbarakel.org and we will see if we can find it!

WHAT TO BRING

- Bedding and a pillow
- Towel, washcloth, toiletries
- Bible, notebook, pen or pencil
- Pajamas, underwear, socks
- Bathing suit, cover-up, sunscreen
- Everyday clothes (shorts, t-shirts)
- A pair of closed-toe shoes
- Long pants, sweatshirt, jacket
- Rainy-day wear (extra shoes)
- Spending money (for the camp store and handcrafts)
- Medications (see first page)
- Chapel clothes (for evening and chapel, we ask everyone to clean up and put on a fresh pair of clean, casual clothes - kept aside specifically for chapel)
- Optional: water bottle, softball glove, musical instrument, hammock

Barakel Campout

Everyone in grade groupings 7-9, 9-12 or 10-12, will get to experience a Barakel campout!

Make sure to pack a sleeping bag, flashlight and insect repellent.

Phones and Electronics

We aim to have a screen-free week of fun, so campers will not have access to their phones or electronics at camp.

Other Helpful Information

Bus Ride Packing List:

- A sack lunch for the trip north
- Identification for your camper. This could be as simple as a piece of paper with their name and phone number
- Necessary medications. Luggage is not accessible during the bus ride. If medication, such as an inhaler, might be needed on the bus trip, please have the bus attendant place that medication in the red pouch on each bus when your child boards.
- Books, fidget devices, electronic diversions to help the bus ride experience. We will check in all electronics (phones, tablets, etc.) as

Driving to Camp?:

- Please plan to drop off your camper between 2:00-2:45 on Monday
- Picking up your camper on Saturday? Plan to be at camp by 8:15am.
- If you are using a GPS system to find us, you may want to enter this fake address: 4501 E Miller Rd, Fairview, MI 48621 (you'll avoid an adventure in the National Forest). Our real address can be found on page one.

Your Child's Counselor: Did you know that our college-aged summer staff work without a paycheck, serving your child as volunteers for the summer. To help them with their school bills, we have established an educational assistance fund. If you care to say thank-you in a tangible way, you are welcome to contribute. Checks made out to Camp Barakel with "Summer Staff Educational Assistance" in the memo line will be used to help these important people.



What to Wear?: We have a strong desire to create an environment where everyone behaves politely and is dressed modestly. We'll discourage flirting, summer flings, and trash-talking – in exchange for a wholesome atmosphere where everyone is respected. To help form this God-honoring setting, we ask campers not to bring clothing that is tight-fitting (such as leggings and tightly fitting t-shirts), that reveals the midriff or that draws attention to private areas of the body (such as short shorts and shirts with skimpy straps). We want clothing that protects everyone's privacy. This goes against the styles of our culture, but we believe it is one way we can show honor to our Creator, and to each other, in this setting.

Have a question we haven't answered?

Check out our website for more information or email us at info@CampBarakel.org