



# REFERENCE GUIDE

## 2018

*Celebrating our 29<sup>th</sup> Year!*

Summer Impressions Day Camp  
4150 Middlebelt Road  
West Bloomfield, Michigan 48323  
(248) 661-3630 – Winter  
(248) 932-2955 – Summer

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# **WELCOME TO SUMMER IMPRESSIONS 2018!**

Welcome to Summer Impressions 2018, where the best keeps getting better. A year of planning and preparation will soon culminate in the opening of another sensational summer! Every day each camper is greeted with enthusiasm and excitement. We look forward to spending our days making new friends, trying new things, and learning new skills and values.

Summer Impressions creates the best environment for each camper. Our promise is to always go above and beyond to ensure that your child has an extraordinary and energizing summer, as well as every opportunity to thrive and grow to his/her fullest potential. Summer Impressions is a place for campers to develop independence, self-esteem, a sense of responsibility, cooperation and the ability to make friends. Our program is designed for each child to achieve success and experience enjoyment in a safe, warm environment supported by friends and role models who truly care for them.

What's more, Summer Impressions prides itself on creating strong parent partnerships. We always keep the lines of communication open. Please share with us any information that will help us make your child's summer the best ever!

- Libby & Art

## **CONTACTING US:**

Summer Impressions Directors are onsite all day, every day. Talk to us during drop-off, pick-up, or anytime throughout the day to answer any questions you have, or call us at (248) 661-3630. After June 11, please call us at (248) 932-2955.

## **FORMS TO BE RETURNED**

The following forms **MUST** be returned to camp no later than May 4, 2018:

- SIGNED MEDICAL HEALTH HISTORY & EXAMINATION FORM
- SUNSCREEN PERMISSION SLIP
- ALLERGY ACTION PLAN (If Applicable)

### ***CAMPERS CANNOT PARTICIPATE UNTIL ALL FORMS ARE SUBMITTED***

If you wish to register for specialty classes, the following forms should be completed and returned no later than May 4, 2018:

- SWIM LESSONS
- TENNIS LESSONS
- SOCCER LESSONS
- CHEERLEADING LESSONS
- SAFETY CITY
- SUMMER STOCK THEATRE
- MATH TUTORING
- HIP HOP LESSONS

**Please return all forms to:**

**SUMMER IMPRESSIONS  
4150 Middlebelt Road  
West Bloomfield, MI 48323**

## **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

*Don't be late for a very important date.*

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| Mini Camp I:       | June 11 – June 15, 2018   |
| Session I:         | June 18 – July 6, 2018  |
| Session II:        | July 9 – July 27, 2018  |
| Session III:       | July 30 – August 17, 2018   |
| Mini Camp II:      | August 20 – August 24, 2018   |
| Mini Camp III:     | August 27 – August 30, 2018   |
| <b>OPEN HOUSE:</b> | <b>Sunday, June 3, 2018</b><br><b>2:00 – 4:00 p.m.</b><br><b>REFRESHMENTS</b><br><b>ENTERTAINMENT</b> |

## **LUNCHESES**

At Summer Impressions, children must pack a bag lunch (in a **disposable** bag) labeled with the CAMPER'S NAME and GROUP NAME. Lunches are kept in coolers. Please do not send perishable food in your camper's lunch. The camp is not responsible for heating foods or returning containers. Beverages will be provided at snack and lunchtime, as well as throughout the day. In addition, all campers will receive an afternoon snack.

If you forget to pack your camper's lunch—DON'T WORRY! We always have cheese, jelly and various lunchmeats on hand, as well as fruit, chips and drinks.

## **DOLLARS AND “SENSE”**

Camp fees must be paid in full by May 4, 2018. If full payment is not received by May 4<sup>th</sup>, the camper loses his/her space. Make all checks payable to **Summer Impressions Day Camp** and mail to **4150 Middlebelt Road, West Bloomfield, MI 48323**, or submit a **Credit Card Authorization Form**. We accept Visa, MasterCard, & Discover.

There will be a \$30.00 charge for returned checks.

A 10% discount will be given to the second, third, etc. child in the family if all the children attend five full days.

Upon withdrawing from camp for any reason, your prepaid deposit or tuition is non-refundable and non-transferable. No make-up days or tuition adjustments are allowed for absences due to illness, vacation, withdrawal, surgery, communicable diseases, holidays or any unforeseen circumstances, etc.

There will be a \$5.00 late charge fee assessed for each 5 minute interval, or portion thereof, for late pick-up after 6:00 p.m. payable upon pick-up.

For an additional charge, days or sessions may be added on an availability basis. We will do everything possible to accommodate your needs. Call (248) 932-2955 to schedule.

If you require an extended day, your child may attend camp anytime from 7:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. and from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. at NO ADDITIONAL CHARGE. This can be added on a temporary or permanent basis for your convenience.

## HAPPY AND HEALTHY

The required health form must be returned by May 4, 2018. This health form is extremely important and required by the State of Michigan for all campers. The Health History & Examination Form must be completed and signed by both you and your child's physician within the preceding twelve months. Any camper restrictions must be certified by a licensed physician.

Please be sure to indicate if your child has any allergies and/or dietary restrictions. The Health History & Examination Form must be on file before your child can be permitted to attend camp.

If your child has tubes in his/her ears, please notify us. In addition, let us know if your child will require wax or ear plugs for swimming. Please label these items with your child's name and group name along with instructions in a sealed plastic bag.

## ILLNESS/MEDICATION/INJURY

Please help us to maintain a "healthy" atmosphere here at camp by not sending your child to camp with contagious symptoms such as:

- Fever
- Ringworm
- Conjunctivitis (red or running eyes)
- Rash
- Sore Throat
- Vomiting and/or Diarrhea
- Cough, if persistent or productive
- Pain and/or stiffness of neck and headache
- Swelling and tenderness of glands, especially neck glands
- Any skin eruption, particularly if red, swollen, and draining
- Lice: If a child has contracted head lice, he/she may return to camp after the second hair treatment has been completed. A doctor's note is required for re-admittance.
- Any childhood contagious disease such as scarlet fever, etc. for which there are no immunizations.

### **In case of injury requiring medical treatment, the procedure is as follows:**

1. Contact parent(s) or guardian immediately.
2. Contact emergency care person in parent(s)/guardian(s) absence.
3. Attempt to contact camper's physician

**For immediate treatment 9-1-1 would be called.**

### **ILLNESS/MEDICATION/INJURY, cont.**

If a child becomes ill while at camp, he or she can rest on a cot and will be given lots of TLC. The parent(s) or emergency care person will be notified to pick up the child. Your child must be symptom-free for forty-eight hours before returning to the program. A doctor's note *may* be required for re-admittance to camp.

Medications cannot be left in the backpacks. THEY MUST BE GIVEN DIRECTLY TO THE CAMP DIRECTOR, DIVISION LEADER, OR PROPER RECIPIENT UPON ARRIVAL. Only medications prescribed by a physician and labeled with your child's name by a licensed pharmacist will be administered. The parent must also sign a Medication Permission Form before medicine will be administered.

### **GROUP PLACEMENT**

Campers are grouped by age until Kindergarten and then by grade level. In order to insure that your camper is with a chosen friend (of similar age or grade), yours and the friend's application must be received by April 6, 2018. If the application is not received by this date, we cannot guarantee placement with a friend.

A big part of camp is meeting and making new friends. Forming new friendships is a positive and enriching experience that is nurtured daily at Summer Impressions.

### **NAME TAGS/SCHEDULE TAGS:**

Your child's personalized nametag for the 2018 summer session will be mailed to you in a separate mailing after group assignments have been finalized. A tag designating "**3:30 p.m. PICK-UP**" or "**EXTENDED DAY**" will be in your packet as well. This is *extremely* important to keep on your camper's backpack EVERY DAY YOUR CHILD IS IN ATTENDANCE AT SUMMER IMPRESSIONS.

If your pick-up schedule changes for any reason during the week, please provide a note at drop-off time and we will make a *special* note of this change!



## **CLOTHING AND PERSONAL ITEMS**

Summer camp clothes should be functional and comfortable. Shorts and T-shirts are appropriate for warm summer days. Long pants, sweatshirts or jackets should be worn on the cooler days with shorts and a T-shirt sent in your camper's bag should the weather change. Tennis shoes are recommended, as sandals & flip-flops tend to be unsafe for participation in outdoor activities. We ask that you always send a bathing suit to camp as the sky usually clears up during cool and/or "liquid sunshine" days. Please send water shoes and a towel for pool time or water play.

Each camper should have a labeled change of clothing for each day of camp that they can change into after their swimming activities. This should include a shirt, shorts or pants, underwear and socks. If your child will be participating in swim lessons, please provide two labeled bathing suits, an extra towel and a T-shirt.

Campers should come to camp wearing a bathing suit under their clothes every day. This will enable them to spend more time participating in our beautiful in-ground heated pools.

If your child burns easily in the sun, we suggest an extra T-shirt to wear while swimming. Please provide a plastic bag for wet bathing suits and towels, as well as a bag for art projects and other treasures. We suggest the rubber lined duffle bag from *Brody's*, located at 6702 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, complete with the Summer Impressions logo and your camper's name printed on it which makes for easy identification. This bag will go home daily. If you happen to see a frog, ant, a grasshopper, inch worm, or other earthly creature in the bag, you can be sure that your camper had a great day!

## **CLOTHING AND PERSONAL ITEMS, cont.**

All electronic devices and cell phones may not be used during camp. Summer Impressions will not be held responsible for lost or stolen items, or any other personal items brought to camp.

Each child registered at camp will receive one S.I. T-shirt at no additional fee. Any camper going on a field trip must wear their S.I. T-shirt. Additional S.I. T-shirts and other S.I. camp products will be available for purchase at *Brody's*.

LABEL EVERYTHING THAT YOUR CAMPER BRINGS TO CAMP: TOWELS, CLOTHING, BATHING SUITS, SUNSCREEN, BAGS, GOGGLES, TENNIS SHOES, WATER SHOES, EAR PLUGS, LUNCHESES, ETC.

## **BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS AT SUMMER IMPRESSIONS**

If your child will be celebrating a birthday with us, please feel free to send a birthday treat. Since some campers may have peanut allergies, we ask that you send store-bought items only. Popsicles are always a good choice. Please read the ingredients when purchasing your snack to make sure it does not contain any of the following... peanut/nuts, peanut/nut butter, peanut/nut oil, peanut/nut flour, peanut/nut meal, or any of the statements "May contain traces of peanut/nuts" or "Manufactured in a facility that also processes peanuts (and/or other nuts)".

Also, please make arrangements with the Camp Director prior to the day you wish to celebrate the birthday, as we want to make the day **very special**.

## **PICK-UP, DROP-OFF AND RELEASE POLICIES**

Campers' regular morning drop-off is between 8:30-8:55 a.m. every day. Early drop-off can be as early as 7:00 a.m. We discourage late drop-offs or early pick-ups at camp, as some favorite activities or special programs may be missed. We look forward to our campers being able to participate in all of our FUN activities at camp.

Division Leaders, Specialty Instructors and Counselors will meet and greet your children at their respective drop-off points and will escort them to their first gathering point. Your camper will be assisted from the car by our staff. PLEASE REMAIN IN YOUR CAR and follow the specified traffic pattern in the parking lot.

At 3:30 p.m., campers will be waiting at the initial drop-off area. PLEASE REMAIN IN YOUR CAR and your camper will be brought to you. For campers using our extended day program, parents or designated pick-up persons will have to enter the buildings to pick up campers.

## **THANK YOU FOR FOLLOWING OUR GUIDELINES!**

A child can be RELEASED only to the parent, guardian, custodial parent or person(s) indicated on the registration form. The child is released only to the custodial parent unless the custodial parent indicates otherwise in writing. A copy of the legal custody documents, indicating the custodial parent, must be submitted prior to the start of camp.

# SWIMMING

## **WHAT TO WEAR... every day even if the sun isn't shining and it isn't warm yet!**

- Swimsuit under his/her clothing
- Closed-toe shoes
- If needed for extra sun protection, a hat and water/swim shirt for pool/water time
- A smile!

## **WHAT TO BRING... make sure all items brought to camp are LABELED.**

- A plastic bag to take home wet swimsuit, towel, goggles, water shoes, etc.
- Underwear (your camper will be coming in their swimsuit so they will need this item after swim)
- Water shoes for pool or water play activities

# OVERNIGHTS

Overnights are a cherished tradition at Summer Impressions. They include special themes, extended swimming, sports, campfires, cookouts, late night movies, games, and breakfast. Our overnights are available for our campers entering Kindergarten through age 10 in Sessions I, II, and III for an additional fee of \$50 each. Overnight forms are in Packet One. So pack your gear and experience sleepover camp!

## **SUPPLY LIST**

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|---------------------|---------------------------|
| - Sleeping bag      | - Toiletries              |
| - Pajamas           | - Long pants & sweatshirt |
| - Jacket            | - Pillow (optional)       |
| - Change of clothes | - Medication (if needed)  |
| - Bathing Suit      | - Plus a Medication       |
| - Towel             | Permission Form           |

## COMMUNICATION

To facilitate communication between camp and home and to keep you informed of camp activities, we will attach all notes with a SAFETY PIN to your camper's bag/backpack. If you have any special instructions or information regarding your camper, please write a note and attach it with a SAFETY PIN to your camper's bag/backpack. Camp staff checks bag/backpacks daily for communication from home.

In addition, please refer to the **"The Sunny Daze Press"** event calendar and **"Your Guide to Camp Spirit Days"**.

If you have any questions, please call us at (248) 932-2955.

## ABSENCES

If your camper will be absent on their designated camp day, please contact the camp office at (248) 932-2955. Thank you so much!

## VISITS TO CAMP DURING THE DAY

We offer many opportunities for parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles to visit S.I. It is very disruptive to our campers when visitors come at various times throughout the day to see their special "someone". Please limit your visits to designated Open House Days or Special Events.

# SUMMER IMPRESSIONS DAY CAMP

## Official Camp Outfitter:

**BRODY'S**  
**6702 Orchard Lake Road**  
**West Bloomfield, MI 48322**

For your convenience, BRODY'S carries our official Summer Impressions Camp merchandise. Supplies can be purchased at the store or you can order by phone and have the merchandise sent to you by UPS. For questions, call **Marc** at (248) 851-6232.

### AVAILABLE MERCHANDISE

A wide selection of items including tote bags with our camp logo and your child's name, camp T-shirts, sun hats, sweatshirts, shorts and sweatpants are available for purchase.

### LABEL, LABEL, LABEL

Iron-on Name Tags are MOST HELPFUL to avoid the "missing-in-action" classification for all your camper's supplies.

