



# Kids 4 Clean Water Camp: 2024

## GENERAL INFORMATION

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**Camp Hours:**  
Monday - Friday  
9:00am to 3:00pm

*\*\*Children are not to be dropped off earlier than 8:45 am and are to be picked up promptly by 3 :15 pm. Please be on time-- if you will be later than 5 minutes please notify camp staff.\*\**

### **KIDS 4 CLEAN WATER CAMP**

Ages 7-11 | \$200 per camper

*Daily activities will include hiking, hands-on science, arts and crafts, exploration time, games, guest speakers, free play time in the water, and a chance to journal and reflect on the day.*

#### **CAMP DATES**

July 22-26

#### **CAMP LOCATION**

McCoy Farm and Gardens

*WaterWays is a 501(c)3 operating out of the United States and the Caribbean Islands. Our mission is to empower kids and their communities to protect and restore the water where they live, work, and play.*

#### **CAMP DIRECTOR:**

Peri Anne Edwards  
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[www.mywaterways.org](http://www.mywaterways.org)

## PARENT/GUARDIAN RESPONSIBILITIES AND EXPECTATIONS

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### Drop Off & Pick Up Policies

For the assurance of every child's safety, the following policies must be adhered to:

- Parents/guardians must check in with a camp staff member to drop off or pick up a camper.
- Parents/guardians picking up a camper must have their names on the Authorized Pick-up list.
- Parents/guardians must provide photo identification to a staff member to pick up a camper.

### Absences

If your child is not attending camp on a scheduled day due to illness or other circumstances, please inform camp staff as soon as possible.

### Illness / Sick Policy

If your child has a fever, is vomiting, or has diarrhea, please do not send them to camp and inform camp staff as soon as possible. If a child develops these symptoms while at camp, parents will be called and expected to pick up the child. The child must be 24 hours fever-free before returning to camp.

### What to wear

Dress your children for the outdoors, as we will be outside most of the day and we will get dirty.

**Closed-toed shoes are required.** *Please do not send your children in flip-flops, sandals, or Crocs for the general day.* These shoes are a hazard to hiking and most other planned activities.

However, you are encouraged to bring **water shoes** or a **change of shoes (crocs, flip-flops, and sandals are appropriate water shoes)**. Please apply **sunscreen** before the start of camp. We provide insect repellent that contains DEET due to the number of mosquitos, ticks, and chiggers in our region. There will be a permission sheet for you to sign at the beginning of each week of camp. If you prefer to use your repellent, please notify us and apply it yourself before starting the camp day. Please have children bring a towel and appropriate swim attire. A change of clothes is recommended.

### What to leave at home

We have planned an exciting summer camp. Please do not send toys or electronic items with your child to camp. These items are a distraction from the group activities and we cannot be responsible for them. If your child needs to bring a sensory aid, please inform camp staff at registration.

## **Water, snacks, and lunch**

Please send your child to camp with a reusable water bottle. We will provide plenty of opportunities to fill it throughout the day. Hydration is very important, especially in the Tennessee summer heat. We do have backup water bottles to supply to the campers who are without a water bottle.

We will provide snacks each day. We do take food allergies into account, so please let us know in your application if your child has any. If your child is a picky eater, you may want to send snacks with them each day. If you decide to send snacks with your child, please give them to the camp staff at sign-in each morning so that they can be given to the child at the designated snack time and the predetermined park location.

**Lunch:** Parents/Guardians are responsible for lunch each day. Lunches will be eaten outdoors most days so pack accordingly. Please do not pack anything that must be heated. Some campers may have food allergies; therefore, campers are not permitted to swap or share lunches. **Please discuss this with your child prior to camp.** Friday of camps we will COOKOUT and provide a lunch of hot dogs, s'mores, and other goodies! Please let us know if your camper has any allergies or food preferences so we can plan accordingly.

## **BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS AND MANAGEMENT**

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### **Behavior Expectations**

The staff at Waterways expect behavior that is respectful, responsible and safe. Staff and campers are asked to follow these three basic guidelines. Our goal is to provide an environment where all of our campers and camp staff can build lasting relationships, express themselves freely, and explore the natural world to learn and grow.

### **Harassment and Bullying Policy**

WaterWays has a zero-tolerance policy for harassment or bullying behaviors and will not tolerate any types of harassment or bullying behaviors involving any campers or staff. Please express to your camper that if they feel threatened to immediately tell a camp staff member.

Harassment or bullying behaviors will be handled immediately with disciplinary actions up to and potentially including dismissal from camp as determined by the Program Director. Any expenses and transportation related to early dismissal from camp, for any reasons, are the responsibility of the parent/guardian.

## **Discipline Policy**

It is the intent of WaterWays to provide a safe environment for participants in our day camp program. Our Kids 4 Clean water Camp staff takes a developmental approach when dealing with unacceptable behavior. We view conflict as an opportunity to help young people learn more effective strategies for conflict resolution, communication, and management of emotions. If a participant is disrupting the program, creating an unsafe condition, or displays a disrespectful demeanor to WaterWays staff or peers, the participant may be removed from the program. Typically, we follow a 3-occurrence system to determine dismissal and recognize that all behavioral issues, even if repeated, should not necessarily result in removal from program. We make every attempt to work with the child and family to support improved positive behavior.

### **Discipline Procedure:**

- 1st Major Occurrence: Camp staff will warn child and contact Parent/Guardian to discuss problem behavior.
- 2nd Major Occurrence: Child's second warning, Parent/Guardian notified to discuss problem behavior.
- 3rd Major Occurrence: The child will be withdrawn from the program and will not be able to return. Parent/Guardian will be contacted.

WaterWays has a zero-tolerance policy for violence. If your child engages in a violent act causing possible harm to another participant or staff person, they may be immediately suspended for at least one day of program and possibly removed from the program indefinitely. No refunds will be given for discipline related suspensions.

Thank you for entrusting your camper to our care. We take that trust seriously. If you have any concerns or questions, please call me at (251) 597-3495 or email at [Perianne@mywaterways.org](mailto:Perianne@mywaterways.org)

Peri Anne Edwards | Outreach & Education Specialist | WaterWays

## **REGISTRATION, PAYMENT, AND REFUNDS**

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### **Payment**

Payment can be made in either cash, check, or by PayPal. All checks must be made payable to WaterWays. All payments must be followed with submission of registration packets.

### **Refund Policy**

Refunds will be granted if a request is made *in writing prior to the tuition deadline*. However, a \$25 administrative handling fee will be retained per child per camp for any such refund request. No refunds will be granted after the tuition deadline. The only exception is a family emergency in which case the tuition refund will be prorated. This request should be made in writing at your earliest convenience.

### **Cancellation Policy**

WaterWays reserves the right to cancel any camp that fails to meet the required minimum participation level OR for unforeseen safety concerns. Full refunds will be given in such instances. The camp will not be cancelled due to rain; changes are made in the scheduled activities.

# 2024 KIDS 4 CLEAN WATER CAMP REGISTRATION

**July 22-26** | McCoy Farm and Gardens

**Camper's t-shirt size:**  
***please circle***

Child S

Child M

Child L

Adult M

Adult L

**STAFF ONLY**

- Deposit
- Shirt size
- Waiver
- Medical
- Insurance
- Photo

Camper's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address:

\_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized adults to pick up your child (*Including Parent/Guardian*):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT/WAIVER:**

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I give my consent for my son/daughter, \_\_\_\_\_, to participate in the above activity. I/we hereby execute this agreement with the understanding that this release is part consideration for the site allowing my child the privilege of using all city and privately-owned facilities.

In consideration of the privilege of using all Chattanooga facilities, I/we hereby remise, release and forever discharge WaterWays and McCoy Farm and Gardens and their employees, from any actions, lawsuits, damages, claims, or judgments that may result from any personal injury or other damages sustained while on the premises of a camp location. I/we further relieve WaterWays, McCoy Farm and Gardens their officials, agents, volunteers, sponsors, and employees and their employees, from liability loss or damage to any personal property that may be damaged, lost, or stolen while on the premises.

In cases in which this release is signed by parents or guardians for a child under the age of 18, the parents or guardians assume the risk of injury to the child or loss of or damage to personal property and release the city, and its officers and employees, from all claims, suits, damages or judgments that may result from these injuries or losses that the parents or guardians might have against WaterWays, its employees, or its affiliates.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDICATION AUTHORIZATION:**

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I hereby give my consent for Camp Staff to administer medication to \_\_\_\_\_ as prescribed in the below instruction.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME OF MEDICATION**

**DAYS**

**TIME**

**DOSAGE**

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**Please list all medical conditions, food and drug allergies, or special considerations needed:**

My child has the following known medical conditions:

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My child is allergic to:

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Other concerns/conditions of which we should be aware:

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*Staff may contact you to provide additional information on how to best to accommodate your child's needs.*

**Medical Release Information: \*Insurance**

Name of Health Insurance Provider:

Policy Number:

Family Physician:

Address:

Phone:

*\* Please provide proof of Health Insurance. If a copy is not provided, our staff can make a copy in the office.*

**WAIVER AND RELEASE:**

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Please read carefully. In signing up and participating in WaterWays programs, you are assuming the risk and legal liability and waiving and releasing all claims for injuries, damages, or loss that you or your minor child might sustain as a result of participating in any and all activities, including transportation services where provided. I acknowledge there are certain risks of injury to participants in this program and I voluntarily agree to assume the full risk of any and all injuries, damages, or loss, regardless of severity that my minor child may sustain as a result of participation. I further agree to waive and relinquish all claims I or my minor child may have as a result of participating in these programs against WaterWays, McCoy Farm and Gardens, and their officials, agents, volunteers, sponsors, and employees. If my child is injured, becomes ill, or needs medical attention for any reason and I cannot be contacted, this authorizes program staff to assist my child and/or call for medical assistance.



If there is an emergency, we prefer \_\_\_\_\_ Hospital and I understand I am responsible for all costs incurred in any such medical emergency.

**Consent to Treat:**

Camp Staff will make every effort to contact me in the case of an emergency. I hereby give my consent to allow the camp staff to administer any approved medications needed and to provide and arrange for any necessary medical treatment to the above applicant while at Camp, including onsite and offsite emergency care. I accept responsibility for the costs of all such medical treatment.

I have read and understand the foregoing **Consent to Treat Form** and agree to all conditions.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PHOTOGRAPHIC RELEASE LETTER:**

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I hereby grant to WaterWays, and their respective licensees, successors and assigns, the right and permission, with respect to those photographs taken of the minor named below on whose behalf I am signing, and with respect to any matter in connection therewith, to include such photographs taken by WaterWays and McCoy Farm and Gardens and their employees, and/or in all media, and in the advertising\*, publicity, and promotion thereof.

I hereby release, discharge, and agree to indemnify and hold harmless WaterWays and McCoy Farm and Gardens and their employees, and their respective heirs, legal representatives, licensees, successor and assigns, from all claims and demands whatsoever arising out of or in connection with the foregoing, and waive any right to inspect or approve the same.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Subject of Photograph

I hereby certify that I am the [parent and/or guardian] of \_\_\_\_\_, a minor under the age of eighteen years, and hereby consent on behalf of said minor to the use of any of the photographs taken of said minor pursuant to the terms set forth in this **Photographic Release**, including, without limitation, the release, discharge and hold harmless provisions thereof.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Guardian of Minor Subject of Photograph

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**\*We do not use names in our advertisement.**

# McCoy Farm Field Trip Permission Slip

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We will be making trips to either Rainbow Lake on Signal Mountain. Parents with kids attending this camp must sign a consent form to be transported from McCoy Farm to these locations.

I hereby certify that I am the [parent and/or guardian] of \_\_\_\_\_, a minor under the age of eighteen years, and hereby consent on behalf of said minor to transportation to and from McCoy Farm, including, without limitation, the release, discharge and hold harmless provisions thereof.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Guardian of Minor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date