



## 2010 CHEERIO ADVENTURES PARENT INFORMATION

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### LOCATION

Cheerio Adventures is located in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Southwest Virginia, near Mouth of Wilson. The site is on the banks of the New River, 12 miles NW of Sparta, NC

### CONFIRMATION OF APPLICATION

Within two weeks each camper will receive an acknowledgment his/her application has been received. A medical form, confidential form, detailed itinerary, parent's guide and other information will be mailed in the Spring.

### SPENDING MONEY

It is recommended \$25 be brought to camp with the camper for one week sessions, \$35 for two week sessions, and \$50 for Seekers and Mountains to the Sea. Spending money is not included in the camp fee and should not be sent with the fee. Campers are responsible for their money.

### WHO MAY ENROLL

Any boy or girl 10 – 17 years of age at the time of the camp session, provided they meet age requirements for the trip they choose, may enroll. All Cheerio Adventure sessions are coed (with the exception of Extreme 1 which is all girls). Applications are accepted on a first come, first serve basis. Camp management reserves the right to refuse acceptance of any applicant deemed undesirable or not in the best interest of Camp. Children who may pose a risk to themselves or other campers or staff may be dismissed from their session with no refund of fees. Cheerio Adventures reserves the right to cancel any session, which low enrollment makes operation financially impractical.

### HEALTH/MEDICAL INFORMATION

Basic First Aid Services at Cheerio Adventures are included in the camp fees. However, outside treatment and prescriptions are billed to the parents or parent's insurance. A health and authorization form for emergency treatment will be mailed in the Spring. Each year a new form must be completed and signed by a physician and must include immunization record and physician record. You must bring the completed forms with your child on opening day.

### ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

Campers should arrive between 2:00 and 3:00 PM on opening day. Closing day departure is between 9:00 and 10:30 AM.

**Parent/Child** programs check-in and check-out times will be different. The "Shorty" session will check out on Thursday. Your itinerary will list the times. We cannot accommodate campers prior to opening or after closing times.

**Cheerio Extreme** campers are brought to Cheerio Adventures at the New River Outdoor Center (NROC) in Mouth of Wilson, VA and picked up at the end of the session at Camp Cheerio in Glade Valley, NC.

### DISCOUNT

Immediate families with more than one child will receive a sibling discount of \$50 for a two week session and \$25 for a one week session for all siblings after the first child. A full \$300 deposit must be paid for each child and each session.

### EQUIPMENT

The majority of the gear/equipment for the adventure is provided. This includes tents, backpacks, sleeping bags, sleeping pads, PFD's, canoes, bicycles and more. Campers may bring their own equipment, but the staff will evaluate the appropriateness of personal gear on the first day. If equipment is found to be inadequate, the gear needed will be issued. Cheerio Adventures is not responsible for any damage or loss of personal equipment.

### GROUP SIZE AND MAKE UP

Most groups are coed. The mixture of boys and girls in each group varies according to the order registrations are received. All participants are registered on a first received, first enrolled basis. If your child is the only boy or girl in a session you will be contacted in advance with options. A coed staff team leads all trips.

The maximum number of campers on each trip varies from 8–12 depending on the trip. Each trip has a minimum of two staff at all times. The small size of the group allows more individual attention for each camper.

### NEW RIVER OUTDOOR CENTER

Cheerio Adventures' base camp rests on the banks of the historic New River. While in camp, each group has two large platform tents with bunk beds; one tent is for girls and one is for boys. Counselors sleep in the tents with the campers. A large bathhouse takes care of shower and toilet needs. While in camp, campers enjoy a variety of activities including: an 825 foot zip line, a giant slide, sand volleyball, frisbee, mountain boards, GAGA and more.

### STAY OVER CAMPERS

Campers staying more than one session or combining an Adventure and Traditional experience may stay in camp for a fun-filled day. Possible activities include caving, canoeing or tubing. Campers may launder their clothes. The day is well supervised and usually ends with dinner and a movie. The stayover fee is \$50.

### AIRPORT PICK UP AND RETURN

There is a charge of \$60 per immediate family for pickup and return; \$50 for one way. The business office needs arrangements and payment at least two weeks prior to the session enrolled. Please no flights before 9:30 AM or after noon. Flights must be through Piedmont Triad International Airport in Greensboro, NC (GSO).