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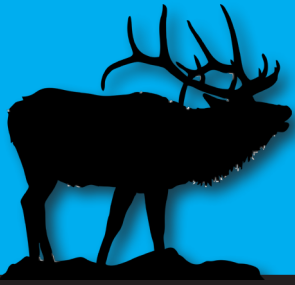
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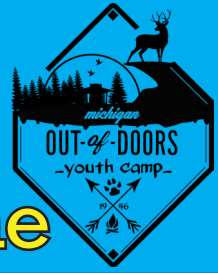
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Hello Parents and Campers,

Director's Note

I am happy and excited to see you are interested in the Michigan Out-of-Doors Youth Camp this summer. I should probably take a minute to introduce myself before getting into the good stuff: My name is Max, and I am the camp director for the Michigan Out-of-Doors Youth Camp. I have been in Michigan for two years now and it has been incredible. I cannot wait to get down to the Cedar Lake Outdoor Center in Chelsea, MI for the 2021 camp season.

This summer, camp will remain focused on conservation, education and connecting campers to the outdoors. However this summer will look a lot different from previous summers. Due to the prevalence of COVID-19 and in order to keep our staff and campers healthy, we have decided to transition from a residential program to exclusively a day camp for this summer. As a state licensed camp we follow all state COVID-19 regulations for summer camps.

We will continue to offer a variety of different experiences focused on environmental education and outdoor recreation. Campers will still have the opportunity to kayak, explore our forests, do archery, go swimming, build shelters and fires, make lifelong friends and so much more!

My goal this summer is to have every child that comes to the Michigan Out-of-Doors Youth Camp have a positive experience outdoors and have their ecological consciousness sparked by learning more about our natural world.

Feel free to look around the brochure and visit our website at www.mucccamp.org. If you have any questions or concerns please reach out to me. I cannot wait to meet you all this summer!

Yours in Conservation,

Max Bass

Michigan Out-of-Doors Youth Camp Director

The Program

The Michigan Out-of-Doors Youth Camp is held for six weeks during the summer at the Cedar Lake Outdoor Center near Chelsea, MI. Our camp is special because it focuses on engaging campers in the outdoors and connecting them with the environment. Our unique curriculum teaches outdoor skills such as riflery, orienteering, camping and wilderness survival.

During their week at camp, campers dive into hands-on nature experiences and self-discovery in order to increase their knowledge of ecological concepts and broaden their awareness of conservation issues. Of course, there will also be opportunities to practice technical skills such as fishing and wilderness survival, along with time spent on the rifle and archery range. Our inquiry-based curriculum allows campers to investigate the natural world around them while gaining new skills and confidence in the outdoors. This focus on Michigan's natural resources and each person's role in the environment is what sets us apart from a typical summer camp. Campers are kept in small groups to ensure they receive individualized instruction and to keep each camper safe while in our care. Extensively-trained staff members work to deliver quality instruction and are held to the highest standards at all times.

Our goal is for campers to return home feeling positive about their experience and excited about the new skills they learned while at camp.

The Outdoor Center

Michigan United Conservation Clubs has operated summer youth camp programs since 1946. During this time, more than 58,000 youth have learned to enjoy the outdoors safely and have left camp with a deeper appreciation and respect for the natural world. Completed in 1940, the Cedar Lake Outdoor Center is rich in Michigan history. It was built by the Civilian Conservation Corps and has been maintained by the DNR and MUCC in the years since. The rolling landscape, white pine forest and waterfront all provide an abundance of wildlife and beauty.

We are privileged to call Cedar Lake home and have spent a great deal of time and effort restoring the facilities and making improvements to the camp for the enjoyment of our campers. We are located within the beautiful Waterloo State Recreation Area, and our property spans 225 acres, including beachfront access to Cedar Lake. With the help of countless volunteers, the staff and our awesome campers, we have been providing quality conservation education programs and connecting kids to the natural world around them for 75 years.

We couldn't be happier to be a part of the historic Cedar Lake Outdoor Center, and that pride shows in the place we call home. We are excited to have your youth join us for the 2021 season and be a part of our continued growth!

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Scholarships

We have a limited number of scholarships available each summer for families that might need some financial support. Feel free to reach out to MUCC Camp Director Max Bass at mbass@mucc.org for more information on available scholarships.



The Staff

Michigan United Conservation Clubs carefully recruits its camp staff from colleges and universities throughout Michigan and around the country. We select candidates who have knowledge of conservation, outdoor skills and environmental education, as well as demonstrate a mature and responsible attitude.

Background checks are completed for all staff hired, and participation in a week-long training session is mandatory. During training, our camp staff learns various teaching techniques, camper motivation, behavior management, leadership and emergency procedures, in addition to the many different curriculums they will be instructing. The waterfront personnel and leadership staff all meet or exceed the requirements of the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs for the State of Michigan. We are proud of the staff at the Cedar Lake Outdoor Center and assure you that the utmost care will be taken to provide a safe and encouraging atmosphere for your child at camp. As a State of Michigan-licensed program, we not only meet the requirements of several inspections, we strive to go above those requirements in order to deliver the best experiences for your child.





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WEEK 1: CONSERVATION CONNECTION

6/28/21-7/2/21 – AGES 5-14, 9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

\$300

This week of activities fits in as much variety as possible. We will be covering kayaking, fishing, survival skills, wildlife surveys, hiking, archery and more! There are plenty of hands-on outdoor activities for your camper to discover their outdoor interest. We will also be spending time learning about a different Michigan ecosystems each day. Parents must provide a packed lunch and swimsuit each day.



WEEK 2: FISHING

7/05/21-7/09/21 – AGES 5-14, 9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

\$300

Grab your tackle and join us for this week full of fishing fun! Campers will have the opportunity to do plenty of fishing, while learning new skills and techniques to get them to start thinking about angling in new ways. Occasionally, we will put our poles down to enjoy a lesson in water ecology or construct our very own lures! Campers will also have opportunities to learn survival skills, archery and plenty of other outdoor activities. Parents must provide a packed lunch and swimsuit each day.

WEEK 3: WILDERNESS SURVIVAL

7/12/21-7/16/21 – AGES 5-14, 9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

\$300

This is a chance for our campers to get back to the basics of wilderness survival! This camp will go from training on our 3-D archery range to constructing shelters using only what our white pine forest provides them. Our curriculum will further each camper's understanding of the survival resources available, no matter the situation. Campers will also have opportunities to learn about some of our ecosystems, archery and plenty of other outdoor activities. Parents must provide a packed lunch and swimsuit each day.



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WEEK 4: CONSERVATION CONNECTION **7/19/21-7/23/21 – AGES 5-14, 9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.**

\$300

This week of activities fits in as much variety as possible. We will be covering kayaking, fishing, survival skills, wildlife surveys, hiking, archery and more! There are plenty of hands-on outdoor activities for your camper to discover their outdoor interest. We will also be spending time learning about a different Michigan ecosystems each day. Parents must provide a packed lunch and swimsuit each day.



WEEK 5: FORESTS

7/26/21-7/30/21 – AGES 5-14, 9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

\$300

Michigan has unbelievable woodlands, and this weeks purpose is to get our campers into them! We will be hiking the property to observe ecosystems, identify trees, find wild edibles, explore the birds that live in the canopy and discover other wildlife that inhabits the forest. Campers will also be learning about kayaking, fishing, survival skills, wildlife surveys, hiking, archery and more! Parents must provide a packed lunch and swimsuit each day.

WEEK 6: WETLANDS

8/02/21-8/06/21 – AGES 5-14, 9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

\$300

Michigan is the Great Lakes state! This camp is designed to get our campers out and exploring the water. Campers will visit and learn about bogs, swamps, inland lakes, ponds and the Great Lakes. We will examine aquatic plants, catch macroinvertebrates, search for reptiles and amphibians and do some fishing to get a better look at fish. We will also learn about kayaking, survival skills, wildlife surveys, hiking, archery and more! Parents must provide a packed lunch and swimsuit each day.

If you are registering campers from the same family you can receive a family discount. Get \$25 off each additional family member signed up for the same week. Please contact our Camp Director, Max Bass, at mbass@mucc.org for more information about the discount.





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Sample Schedule

- 8:00 a.m. Early drop off begins
- 9:00 a.m. Regular drop off begins
- 9:10 a.m. Camp programs*
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch
- 12:30 p.m. Camp programs*
- 3:30 p.m. Camp Store
- 4:00 p.m. Camper Pickup
- 4:15 p.m. Late Pickup begins
- 6:00 p.m. Late Pickup ends

*Camp Programs are assigned based on each week's themes and age group. A few examples of these activities include, but are not limited to, Canoeing/kayaking, fishing, archery, fire building, shooting sports, wild edibles, hiking, arts and crafts, camp games and guest speaker presentations.

Early Drop Off Late Pick Up

We understand that the parents of our campers might have very busy lives and that the 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. camp time slot might not work for everyone. Thus, we are offering early drop off and late pick up. Early drop off will begin at 8 a.m. and run until regular drop off starts at 9 a.m. Late pick up will begin when normal pick up ends at 4:15 p.m. and all campers must be picked up by 6 p.m.

Early Drop off: \$25/child/per week

Late Pick up: \$35/child/per week.

Picking and choosing individual days is not an option. To sign up for early drop off or late pick up you must sign up for the whole week.

IS PAYMENT REQUIRED AT TIME OF REGISTRATION?

Yes. Due to a high registration demand, we require payment and registration paperwork to reserve a space for your camper. Spaces are available on a first-come-first-served basis. We take credit card or check by mail. Please do not mail cash! MUCC has a strict no refund policy for all campers. You can also register online, www.mucccamp.org

ARE THERE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE?

Some limited scholarships are available through the generous contributions of our members to those families in need. You may contact MUCC Camp Director Max Bass at the MUCC office if you would like to apply for assistance.

WILL ANY MEALS BE PROVIDED TO MY CAMPER?

No. Part of our risk management for COVID-19 is to minimize shared spaces. We will not be opening our kitchen or dining hall for meals. Please be sure to feed your camper a healthy breakfast and pack them lunch each day. We will open up our camp store every afternoon for snacks.

FAQs

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Signatures are required wherever an "X" appears

These forms can also be completed digitally at mucccamp.org

General Information:

Camper's Name _____ Male or Female (Circle One) Birth Date __/__/__
 Parent/Guardian Contact _____ Relationship _____ Phone # _____
 Non-Parental Emergency Contact _____ Relationship _____ Phone # _____
 Physician _____ Phone # _____ Last Physical Exam __/__/__
 *Must have been in last 24 months
 Dentist _____ Phone # _____
 Health Insurance Provider _____ Policy/Group# _____ Phone# _____

Medications/Conditions:

Previous or Current Medical Conditions: Yes___ No___

*Identify the following so that we may accommodate to your camper accordingly

-Recent Injury/Illness/Infectious Disease Yes___ No___ If Yes, Please Explain _____
 -Chronic/Recurring Condition Yes___ No___ If Yes, Please Explain _____
 -Frequent Headaches Yes___ No___ If Yes, Please Explain _____
 -Knocked Unconscious/ Head Injury Yes___ No___ If Yes, Please Explain _____
 -Frequent Ear infections Yes___ No___ If Yes, Please Explain _____
 -Heart Murmur Yes___ No___ If Yes, Please Explain _____
 -Skin Condition(s) Yes___ No___ If Yes, Please Explain _____
 -Back Problems Yes___ No___ If Yes, Please Explain _____
 -Diabetes Yes___ No___ If Yes, Please Explain _____
 -Seizures Yes___ No___ If Yes, Please Explain _____
 -Asthma/Respiratory Issues Yes___ No___ If Yes, Please Explain _____
 -Any Surgeries and Hospitalizations Yes___ No___
 (Date/ Procedure/Reasoning) _____

Has your child ever had... ___Measles, ___ Chicken Pox, ___ German Measles, ___Hepatitis A, B, or C?

Are your child's vaccinations up to date? ___Yes ___No Please Initial: **X** Date _____

List all allergies and their reactions _____

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**Contact Camp Director Max Bass at mbass@mucc.org or
 (517) 346-6462 for any questions, comments or concerns**

List any and all Dietary Restrictions _____

Please list all medications (including over the counter or nonprescription) taken routinely. You must provide enough medication to last the entire time spent at camp and it must be kept in its original packaging/bottle that identifies the prescribing physician, name of medication as well as frequency of administration and dosage.

Medication(s)	Purpose	Dosage	Time(s) Given

I hereby give my permission to administer the over the counter medications indicated with an "X" if the camp Director deems it necessary. Dosage will be administered according to the directions on the bottle unless a physician directs otherwise. (These medications are provided by the camp, you do not need to send them with your camper.)

☐ Tylenol ☐ Cough Drops ☐ Tablet Antacid ☐ Caladryl Lotion ☐ Motrin
☐ Saline Eye Drops ☐ Aloe Gel ☐ Hydrocortisone cream

Parent/Guardian Signature **X** _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Authorization:

Parent/Guardian Authorization: I give permission for my child to attend the MUCC Michigan Out-of-Doors Youth Camp at the Cedar Lake Outdoor Center in Chelsea, MI. This health history is correct and complete as far as I know, and the person herein described has permission to engage in all camp activities except as noted. I give permission for the camp first aid personnel to provide routine health care, administer prescribed medications, and administer first aid treatment on site. I agree to the release of any records necessary for treatment, referral, billing or insurance purposes. I give permission to the camp to arrange necessary related transportation for my child if I cannot be reached in the event of an emergency. I give permission to the physician or the aforementioned camp first aid personnel to hospitalize, secure proper and / or routine treatment and to order injection, anesthesia, x-rays or surgery in the event I cannot be reached in an emergency. This completed form may be photocopied for trips out of camp.

*All campers will be subjected to a temperature check and COVID-19 screening before they can be released to their programs. If fever or any COVID-19 symptoms are present the child will not be permitted to stay at camp.

Parent/Guardian Signature **X** _____ Date _____

Please Indicate any considerations we should be aware of that will help us prepare for your campers stay and assure they are as comfortable as possible _____

Please use this space to provide any other information that will help your camper enjoy their week or to elaborate on points where enough space was not provided:

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Youth Camp Registration and Release Form



General Information

Camper's Name _____ Male or Female _____ Birth Date ____/____/____ Age at Camp _____
Parent/Guardian Name _____ Cell Phone _____ Work Phone _____
Full Address _____
(House #) (Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code)
Parent Email _____ Group Partner Request _____
Sponsoring Club (If Applicable) _____

Release of Campers

I, the undersigned, authorize the following person or people to pick up the above named child at the Michigan Out-of-Doors Youth Camp:

1. _____ 2. _____
3. _____ 4. _____

The following ARE NOT ALLOWED TO REMOVE MY CHILD FROM CAMP under any circumstances:

1. _____ 2. _____

X _____ Parent/Guardian Initials

Release, Indemnification and Hold Harmless Agreement:

In consideration of participating in camp activities, and for other good and valuable consideration, I hereby agree to release and discharge from liability arising from negligence Michigan United Conservation Clubs and its owners, directors, officers, employees, agents, volunteers, participants and all other persons or entities acting for them (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Releasees") on behalf of myself and my children, parents heirs assigns, personal representative and estate and also agree as follows:

I acknowledge that participating in camp activities involves known and unanticipated risks which could result in physical or emotional injury, paralysis or permanent disability, death and property damage. Risk include but are not limited to, contracting COVID-19, broken bones, torn ligaments or other injuries as a result of falls or contact with other participants; death as a result of drowning or brain damage caused by near drowning in pools or other bodies of water; medical conditions resulting from physical activity; and damaged clothing or other property. I understand such risks simply cannot be eliminated, despite the use of safety equipment, without jeopardizing the essential qualities of the activity.

I expressly accept and assume all of the risks inherent in this activity or that might have been caused by the negligence of the Releasees. My participation in this activity is purely voluntary and I elect to participate despite the risks. In addition, if at any time I believe that event conditions are unsafe or that I am unable to participate due to physical or medical conditions, then I will immediately discontinue participation.

I hereby voluntarily release, forever discharge, and agree to indemnify and hold harmless Releasees from any and all claims, demands, or causes of action which are in any way connected with my participation in this activity, or my use of their equipment or facilities, arising from negligence. This release does not apply to claims arising from intentional conduct. Should Releasees or anyone acting on their behalf be required to incur attorney's fees and costs to enforce this agreement, I agree to indemnify and hold them harmless for all such fees and costs. I represent that I have adequate insurance to cover any injury or damage I may suffer or cause while participating in this activity, or else I agree to bear the costs of such injury or damage to myself. I further represent that I have no medical or physical condition which could interfere with my safety in this activity or else I am willing to assume – and bear the costs – of all risks that may be created, directly or indirectly, by any such condition. In the event that I file a lawsuit, I agree to do so solely in the state

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where Releasees' facility is located, and I further agree that the substantive law of the state shall apply. I agree that if any portion of this agreement is found to be void or unenforceable, the remaining portions shall remain in full force and effect.

By signing this document, I agree that if I am hurt or my property is damaged during my participation in this activity then I may be found by a court of law to have waived my right to maintain a lawsuit against the parties being released on the basis of any claim for negligence. I have had sufficient time to read this entire document and, should I choose to do so, consult legal counsel prior to signing. Also, I understand that this activity might not be made available to me or that the cost to engage in this activity would be significantly greater if I were to choose not to sign this release, and agree that the opportunity to participate at the stated cost in return for the execution of this release is a reasonable bargain. I have read and understood this document and I agree to be bound by its items

Signature and Printed Name **X** _____

Date _____

Address _____

Parent/Guardian Additional Agreement:

(Must be completed for participants under the age of 18)

In consideration of _____ (Camper) Being permitted to participate in this activity, I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless Releasees from any claims alleging negligence which are brought by or on behalf of minor or are in any way connected with such participation by minor.

Parent/Guardian Signature and Printed Name **X** _____

Date _____

Parent/Guardian Authorization:

Photo and Video

I, the undersigned, grant permission to the Michigan United Conservation Clubs and the Michigan Out-of-Doors Youth camp the right and permission to use pictures of _____ (Camper) in which the minor may be included in conjunction with camp activities in photographs, videos and printed materials.

X _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature

Transportation

I, the undersigned, give permission for _____ (Camper) to ride in a vehicle provided by Michigan United Conservation Clubs.

X _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature

Shooting Sports

I, the undersigned, give permission for _____ (Camper) to participate in shooting sports at the Michigan Out-of-Doors Youth Camp.

X _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature



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Payment Information and Standard Agreement Form

Payment Information

Camper's Name _____ Male or Female _____ Birth Date ____/____/____ Age at Camp _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____ Cell Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Full Address _____

(House #) (Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

Parent Email _____ How I heard about Camp _____

Sponsoring Club (If Applicable) _____

Select Camp: Please select any of the weeks of camp that you would like to sign your camper up for. If that camp is full, someone from MUCC will contact you with other options if there are any. If you are going to register multiple kids from the same family, please contact our MUCC Camp Director Max Bass at mbass@mucc.org for information on our family discount. Feel free to also register online at www.mucccamp.org.

Week 1: Conservation Connection _____ \$300

June 28th - July 2nd

Week 2: Fishing _____ \$300

July 5th - July 9th

Week 3: Wilderness Survival _____ \$300

July 12th - July 16th

Week 4: Conservation Connection _____ \$300

July 19th - July 23rd

Week 5: Forests _____ \$300

July 26th - July 30th

Week 6: Wetlands _____ \$300

August 2nd - August 6th

Early Drop Off _____ \$25

This is if you want to drop your camper off early between 8am-9am. Price is per child, per week

Late Pick Up _____ \$35

This is if you want to pick up your camper late between 4:15pm-6pm. Price is per child, per week

Counselors in Training (Ages 14-17)

Please contact our MUCC Camp Director Max Bass, at mbass@mucc.org

to learn how to apply for this unique leadership opportunity.

I would like to add \$10 to my registration cost to support the Michigan Out-of-Doors Youth Camp Scholarship Fund ____ Yes ____ No

Total Weeks Selected _____

Total Cost of Camps Selected and Donations
\$ _____

Payment Method: ____ Visa ____ MasterCard ____
Discover ____ Check (Checks Payable to MUCC)

Name on Card: _____

Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: ____/____ CVV#: _____

Signature X _____

Camp must be paid for in full to reserve your campers spot. If you have questions about payment, please contact Max Bass at 517-346-6462

Standards and Agreement:

PARENTS/GUARDIANS: Please review the following standards agreement with your camper. By signing your child up for camp you and your child agree to the rules listed below. MUCC and the Michigan Out-of-Doors Youth Camp staff take pride in providing a safe and fun place to learn and explore while at camp.

Electronic devices such as Ipods, handheld game systems, and CELL PHONES are not allowed at camp. YOUR CHILD IS NOT ALLOWED TO KEEP THEIR CELL PHONES FOR ANY REASON. THESE ITEMS WILL BE CONFISCATED AND RETURNED TO THE GUARDIAN AT THE END OF THE DAY

Here are several things that WILL NOT BE TOLERATED at camp for the safety of all.

1. Consumption or possession of alcohol, drugs or tobacco.
2. Foul, offensive or abusive language to another camper or staff member.
3. Discrimination, harassment, or cruelty to another camper or staff member.
4. Theft or damage to property belonging to another camper, staff member or facility.
5. Physical relationships between any camper/camper or camper/staff.
6. Bodily harm or violence or any kind to another camper or staff member.
7. Consistent disregard for safety rules or disruption of camp activities.
8. Possession of any weapon, including pocket knives.

IF A CAMPER IS FOUND TO HAVE VIOLATED ANY OF THE ABOVE RULES, THE CAMPER WILL BE REQUIRED TO LEAVE CAMP. THE PARENT OR GAURDIAN WILL BE CALLED AND WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR REMOVING THE CAMPER IMMEDIATELY. THERE WILL BE NO REFUND OF ANY CAMP FEES.

Parent/Guardian Signature X _____ **Campers Signature X** _____

Please send completed packets (Health Form, Registration and Release Form, Payment Information and Standard Agreement Form and Payment) to:

MUCC
Michigan Out-of-Doors Youth Camp
P.O. Box 30235
Lansing, MI 48909

