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Mohonk Preserve Summer Camps Camper Code of Conduct 2025

Camper Code of Conduct

As a camper at Mohonk Preserve I will:

- Recognize this as an inclusive camp and treat my fellow campers with dignity and respect.
- Be polite to my fellow campers. I understand that unwelcome teasing and unkind behavior such as pushing, kicking, hitting, or fighting are not allowed at camp.
- Be respectful to staff and always follow their directions.
- Communicate calmly and with kind words, meaning I will not yell or use foul language.
- Respect the land I am hiking on by staying on the trails and respecting the plants and wildlife I see and find.
- Treat all program equipment and supplies with care.
- Respect the property of others.
- Follow all general rules for visitors at the Mohonk Preserve.
- Take responsibility for my actions and understand that not following the code of conduct may result in disciplinary action.

Mohonk Preserve's Corrective Action Steps:

Step 1: Warning

- a. The first time a camper strays from the code of conduct, the educator will remove them from the activity, discuss the behavior in question and inform the camper that they are being given a formal warning.

Step 2: Sit out of an activity

- b. When the camper breaks the code of conduct for a second time, they will again discuss their behavior with an educator as well as sit out (for at least 15 minutes) of an activity. Which activity the camper is removed from is at the discretion of the educator.

Step 3: Sit out of any activity, revisit the camper code of conduct and discuss with camp educator ways to improve behavior.

- c. On the 3rd step, the camper will again sit out of any activity (the activity and length of time out are at the discretion of the educator). The camper

will also read over the camper code of conduct and write suggestions on how they can improve their behavior. Educators will alert the parents that the camper is in step 3.

Step 4: Phone call home to parents

- d. The 4th time a camper fails to adhere to the code of conduct, the parents will be notified. When the parents are notified as a part of the 4th step, they will be informed and need to acknowledge the consequences of reaching the 5th step and understand that their child may be removed from the program without refund.

Step 5: Removed from the camp program

- e. Parents will be notified that their child is no longer able to continue in the camp program. Depending on the severity of the behavior we reserve the right to require immediate pick-up.

Personal Electronics at Mohonk Preserve Summer Camps

The Mohonk Preserve no longer allows campers to have cell phones or other tech devices at camp. In order to provide campers with an immersive experience in nature, we ask that all phones, tablets, and devices are left at home for the day. These devices are a distraction from camp activities and prevent campers from being fully present while at camp. Camp Educators will take photos each day and share them online with parents throughout the week. Our hope is that campers focus on creating lifelong memories by being able to participate fully without the distractions that personal electronics bring.

I have read and understand the code of conduct.

Camper: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____