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#### **WELCOME TO CAMP WAKONDA 2025!**

Located on the shore of Leesville Lake in Carroll County, OH; Wakonda is a Christian summer camp that offers a variety of experiences for children, youth and families. Unfold this brochure and take a look inside to see what programs will be available this summer!

Through this summer's curriculum, entitled "From Generation To Generation", we will learn of God's steadfast love, which endures across the generations, and provides a circle of safety for those who follow God. Freed from fear, we step out, trusting that missteps will not destroy us, that God's guidance will take us where God has called us to go. As Scripture expresses: "For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations" (Psalms 100:5).

We want all kids to have the opportunity to go to camp. Scholarships are available. If you need financial assistance; please let us know when you register at wakondacamp.org. We look forward to seeing you this summer! If you have any questions, please email the director, Zack White at zwhite@cantoncpc.org, or call 330-735-2740.

#### **OUR CORE IDENTITY IN CHRIST**

At Camp Wakonda, not only do kids participate in engaging nature programs and fun activities, they grow in their Christian faith. This is central to who we are as a ministry of Christ Presbyterian Church in Canton, Ohio, a member church in the PCUSA.

Wakonda's core values are **Seeking Wonder**, **Peacemaking**, **Community of Care**, **Growing Faith**, **Grounded in Simplicity**.

#### **FACILITIES RENTAL**

Looking for a venue for your event? Set up a time for a tour at Wakonda. We have a lodge with a large dining room with wood floors, exposed beams, large windows, and a fireplace. Our cabins are scattered around our bathhouses and have wooden bunks. The Director's Cabin was renovated in 2024 and has easy access to the lodge and driveway. The Retreat Center has a large common area with high ceilings, exposed beams, a large fireplace, two full baths, a kitchen, and three bedrooms. This building will sleep eighteen people. Other facilities include a tennis/basketball court, picnic pavilion, nature center, activity building and waterfront. Contact Zack with any questions, or to book your event.

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#### **HEALTH & DIETARY PRECAUTIONS**

Creating a SAFE experience of God in nature is our first priority. As such, we will be taking steps to keep campers, staff, and guests safe. Please let us know of any dietary challenges your camper has so that we may accommodate them. Also, we are a nut-free camp; **please do not send treats or food with your campers!** We want to keep all of our campers safe!

# Summer Cabins

There are two groups of five cabins. Each group has a bathhouse.
Each cabin sleeps 16.

### Retreat Center

Large common area, kitchen, two full baths, Three bedrooms. Sleeps eighteen.



### **WAKONDA GROWS WITH YOU**

At Wakonda, we believe that kids' camp experiences should grow with them. As children get older, they are ready for new and more challenging experiences. At camp, this occurs through encounters with God's creation:

- **Grades K-2:** Campers get the opportunity to cook out over a campfire (with counselor supervision) for at least one meal.
- **Grades 3-5:** Campers experience a night camping out under the stars, in addition to cooking out one meal (with counselor supervision).
- **Grades 6-8:** Campers get to participate in a night hike as part of their camp out & cook out night. At this age, kids are also able to participate in camps that will have them cook out multiple meals and stays in a more rustic cabin.
- **Grades 9-12:** High School campers are ready for it all! These campers get to have all of the experiences of the younger ages (cook out, camp out, night hike), and they get special high school only experiences like special food privileges, a movie night, and opportunities to choose their own activities.

### **All Ages**

## Wakonda For All (All ages)-Sept 5-7 - \$120 per adult & \$85 per child (1-night: \$60 per adult & \$42 per child)

Campers of all ages are invited to come back to Wakonda and relive or make brand new memories at camp - all are welcome at this camp! Join us for the weekend as we explore nature, play games, and learn about God together. Come as a family or come on your own! (Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.)

### Wakonda Ox Roast Fundraiser - Sept 7 - Donations Accepted

Come early for the CPC worship service, or join us for lunch and grab a plate of slow-cooked fresh roast and savory sides.

### <u>Finishing Kindergarten - 2nd grade</u>

### <u>Discovery</u> - June 29-30 - \$150

This event is perfect for first-time campers! They experience all the best parts of camp and one safe overnight stay. They'll take part in games, swimming, crafts, Bible study, hikes, & s'mores. Give your little ones an experience they will always remember, at Wakonda!

Voyagers (Grades 2-5) - July 1-3 see below in 3rd-5th grades

### Finishing 3rd - 5th grades

#### Wakonda Forever! - June 15-20 - \$480

This is a camper favorite. Wakonda Forever gives campers the chance to experience some of their favorite characters and stories. Games and activities will be themed to match some of our favorite fandoms: Marvel, Harry Potter, Star Wars, & more. Join us as these epic sagas come to life!

### **Explorers**- June 22-27 - \$480

Campers will learn about the world around them as they focus on topics such as animals, tracking, plants and their uses, species identification, the 10 essentials, and others! Campers will have the chance to take part in experiments, scavenger hunts and observation of the natural world.

### **<u>Voyagers</u>** (Grades 2-5) – July 1-3 - \$233

This is a classic camp experience at Wakonda. All of our favorite camp activities can be found in this program: craft time, hiking, cooking a meal over the fire, spending time at the lake, playing games, sleeping in a cabin and eating in the dining hall. This is a great intermediate step for campers who liked Discovery camp. It is also a great initial experience for first-time campers.

### **Choose Your Own Adventure** – July 6-11 - \$480

Campers will have two opportunities each day to choose the activities they want to do. They can enjoy all the classic aspects of Wakonda and try something new.

Potential activities could include: Drama, Arts, Photography, Soccer, Field Games, Nature Hikes, Dance, Swimming, Kayaking, and more! The activities will be based on the talents and interests of our summer staff.

### Finishing 6th - 8th grades

### Wakonda Forever! - June 15-20 - \$480

Campers have the chance to experience some of their favorite characters and stories. Games/activities will be themed to match some of our favorite fandoms: Marvel, Harry Potter, Star Wars, and more. Join us as these epic sagas come to life!

### Outpost: Roughing It - June 22-27 - \$480

In this <u>outpost experience</u>\*, campers will take part in some of their favorite camp activities. They will also learn various campcraft and survival skills. Skills might include helping to prepare/ clean up meals counselors are making over the fire, outdoor safety, the 10 Essentials, species identification, knots, etc. This more rustic camp experience is very popular with campers.

### Outpost: Up All Night - July 1-3 - \$233

Is your camper a night owl? Would your child like to stay up late and sleep all morning – even at camp?? Campers will spend two nights at Wakonda in this outpost experience\* - playing late-night games, going on night hikes, and sleeping until lunch. They will experience camp in an exciting new way!

### **Choose Your Own Adventure** – July 6-11 - \$480

Campers will have two times each day to choose the activities they want to do. They can enjoy all the classic aspects of Wakonda and try something new. Potential activities could include: Drama, Arts, Photography, Soccer, Field Games, Nature Hikes, Dance, Swimming, Kayaking, and more! The activities will be based on the talents and interests of our summer staff.

### Finishing 9th – 12th grades

### Senior High - Seeking the Great Spirit

Our senior high campers have three options to choose from, all of which will take place at the same time as an <u>outpost</u> <u>experience</u>\*: Camper ONLY; Staff Assistant ONLY (training); or Camper & Staff Assistant.

<u>Camper ONLY</u> - June 15-20 - \$480 – Teens who desire to only be campers will have the classic camp experience with a twist: each day, they will choose their favorite activities from the provided options.

### **Staff Assistant ONLY (training)** - June 18-20 - \$233-

Those who desire to only serve as Staff Assistants will have a shorter experience, during which they will learn about what it means to serve in this role. Workshops will be focused on various aspects of camp leadership.

### Camper & Staff Assistant (training) - June 15-20 - \$480

Teens who want to experience camp as a camper and have the chance to lead as a staff assistant later in the summer get the best of both worlds. In the first part of the week, they will choose their favorite activities from the provided options; in the second part of the week, they will have workshops that will train them in camp leadership.

# New Camp This Summer!! 3rd - 8th grades

### Artistic Adventure - July 1-3 - \$233

Campers will be separated into two age groups: grades 3-5 and grades 6-8. They will be given guided instruction as they work through various artistic projects. Campers will also be able to still take part in all of their favorite camp activities such as canoeing, swimming, games, hiking, etc. If you have an interest in visual art, regardless of your skill level or past experience, this camp is for you!

### **Check-In & Pickup Info**

Parents, please be prepared for a safe, quick check-in and pickup. Details will be emailed prior to camp.

Check-in will take place in the afternoon. Pickup will take place in the evening, other than Wakonda For All. Families will receive their check-in and pickup times prior to their week of camp. Please come at these scheduled times so that we can check everyone in and out of camp smoothly and safely.

### Register online at www.wakondacamp.org

\*Outpost - stay in a rustic cabin & cook 2 meals per day over a fire!

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#### REGISTER ONLINE AT WAKONDACAMP.ORG

A DEPOSIT IS REQUIRED AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL WAKONDA AT (330) 735-2740. THE CAMP ADDRESS IS 5045 DYEWOOD ROAD SW, SHERRODSVILLE, OH 44675.