

IAJHSC SUMMER LEADERSHIP CAMP

INFORMATION SHEET

Who Can Attend

Junior high/middle school students whose schools are members of the IAJHSC may attend Summer Leadership Camp. There is no limit on the number of delegates a school may send. Students who attended camp prior to 7th grade and are still involved in Student Council may attend camp again prior to 8th grade. *No students that have finished 8th grade will be allowed to attend as delegates.* Delegates will be accepted on a "first come - first served" basis until the camp session has reached its capacity.

Location and Transportation

The camp facility is 4H Memorial Camp. It is located at Allerton Park, near Monticello, IL. Each delegate must provide his/her own transportation to and from camp. Maps will be provided in a mailing to delegates which follows receipt of registration materials.

Purpose

The program provides opportunities for delegates to gain the knowledge and skills needed to perform their Student Council jobs effectively and to develop those personal qualities they will need as they deal with others in their leadership roles. This will, in turn, help improve Student Councils in the delegates' home schools.

Program

During the week of camp, each delegate is assigned to a mock Student Council. In order for the delegates to meet students from other schools, each delegate is placed in a council with students from schools other than his/her home school. Each mock Student Council elects officers, establishes committees and has camp responsibilities to complete. Councils meet at least once during each day with a member of the Senior Staff and Junior Counselors. General Sessions are held each day for all camp delegates. These are learning sessions presented by members of the Senior Staff and include such topics as Parliamentary Procedure, Project Planning, and Job Training, and much more.

Recreation is held at least once a day. Delegates can go swimming, boating, shoot archery, play volleyball, or make crafts. The camp store is open at this time so delegates may purchase snacks. The evening activities include special events: a hoedown, olympics, and a dance. The final evening activity of the week is a banquet followed by Achievement Night. Each day ends with time to reflect and sing around the campfire.

Camp Staff

The Senior Staff is made up of teachers who are Student Council advisors in their home schools. In addition to the Camp Director, Assistant Camp Director, and the Senior Staff, there is a Camp Nurse and Junior Counselor Coordinator. The Junior Counselors (JC's) are high school students who attended IAJHSC Leadership Camp as junior high/middle school students. They are also involved in leadership experiences in high school. The Junior Counselors are a carefully selected group of highly capable, responsible and enthusiastic individuals.

Housing

Camp delegates are assigned to live in cabins with other junior high students and one or two Junior Counselors. Delegates are not housed with students from their home school. The cabins have bunk beds with foam rubber mattresses. Delegates must provide their own bedding. Delegate cabins are located in close proximity to the Senior Staff and the Camp Nurse.

Registration

The camp fee for each delegate is \$275.00. A \$50.00 deposit for each delegate must accompany the School Registration Form which must be postmarked by April 25th, 2008. Delegate Registration Cards and the \$225.00 balance for each delegate are due no later than May 16th 2008. At no time during their stay may delegates leave the program and return to it. Late arrivals are not allowed. Delegates must arrive at camp between 1:00 and 1:30 PM on Sunday, June 22nd. Camp ends at 10:00 AM on Saturday, June 28th. Upon receipt of the Delegate Registration Cards, each delegate will be sent additional information that includes a packing list and forms to complete, including a health form.

Expectations of Delegates

Delegates should come to camp prepared to learn. Although the emphasis is on learning, there is time to have fun both while learning and during the recreation periods and evening activities. After camp, delegates are expected to be active leaders in their home schools and to share what they learned at camp with the Student Council members in their home schools.

IAJHSC Summer Leadership Camp Typical Daily Schedule

Flag Raising
Song Fest
Breakfast
Grounds Cleanup (assigned to councils on rotating basis)
Cabin Cleanup
General Session
Leadership Topic Presented to Entire Camp
Council Meeting
Cleanup for Lunch
Song Fest
Lunch
Rest Time
General Session/Council Meeting
Recreation
Cleanup for Dinner
Flag Lowering
Song Fest
Dinner
Evening Activity
Campfire