

SNHA



ADVENTURE CAMP

WELCOME



We are excited to get out on the river this summer! Our special river is the perfect playground for our week of exploration and adventure! Please read over all of the enclosed information and keep this packet handy while your child is attending camp this summer.

WHAT TO EXPECT AT SUSQ CAMP

Camp will be taking place both indoors and outdoors, with an emphasis on outdoor recreation. Campers will be split into two age groups: 10-12 year olds and 13-15 year olds. These groups will rotate their days between Columbia Crossing River Trails Center and Shank's Mare Outfitters. Campers will spend either their morning or afternoon at Shank's Mare and explore a variety of outdoor activities including, but not limited to sit-on-top single and double kayaks, stand-up paddleboards, disc golf gear, stream gear, slack line, etc. Our goal is to give each participant a variety of fun adventures to enjoy along and on the river each day.

Campers will be shuttled to and from sites in our Susquehanna National Heritage Area Shuttle Van. At Columbia Crossing activities with Susquehanna National Heritage Area staff will focus on environment, nature, history, and fun. Lunch will be eaten on our covered deck or in the park and campers will be given time to change and get ready in our large restrooms.

In the event of poor water conditions or when the river is determined to be unsafe for paddling, other recreational activities may be supplemented. Possible activities could be bike riding on the Northwest River Trail, geocaching in Chickies Rock Park, disc golf, and more.

Each day will be a fun-filled adventure, right here on the Susquehanna!

Columbia Crossing River Trails Center 41 Walnut Street Columbia, PA
Susquehanna National Heritage Area 1706 Long Level Road Wrightsville, PA



POLICIES AND GENERAL INFORMATION



DROP OFF AND PICK UP

Please do not drop off your child prior to the start of camp. Campers must be signed in by an adult at the front desk counter at Columbia Crossing. Campers will be signed out at the end of the day in the same location. Any authorized adult picking up your child **MUST SHOW A PICTURE ID**. Your child will not be released to an adult who is not on your authorized release list or to anyone who does not have a picture ID.

If your child will be walking, biking, or taking public transportation to and from camp, please provide this information on the Registration Application. Your child's safety is our primary concern.

LATE FEES: There will be a late-fee assessed for children who are picked up after 4:15 pm. The late fee is \$1.00 for each minute past 4:15 pm. If your child is not picked up by 4:30 PM, we will call all people you have listed as emergency contacts.

LUNCH AND SNACK

Please be sure to address ALL allergy concerns and dietary restrictions on the registration application.

LUNCH: Please send your camper with a lunch that can be stored at room temperature or in a refrigerator and does not require heating or microwave to consume.

SNACK: Campers will be provided with a snack each day. Campers can also pack an alternative snack if they are not interested in the snacks provided.

DAILY MEDICATION

No camper will be permitted in camp without a signed registration packet and completed medical section. If your camper needs to receive medication while in camp, please include instructions on your registration application and discuss the medication with staff at drop off. Please give necessary medication to camp staff at drop off.

Camp Locations:

MAIN LOCATION

Columbia Crossing
River Trail Center
41 Walnut Street, Columbia Pa

Shank's Mare Outfitters

2092 Long Level Road
Wrightsville Pa

Zimmerman Center For Heritage

1706 Long Level Road
Wrightsville, PA

Phone Number:

Columbia Crossing front desk
717-449-5607 ext. 0

Camp Hours:

9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Drop off/ Sign-in:

8:30 am – 9:00 am

Pick up/ Sign-out:

4:00 pm – 4:15 pm

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CANCELLATION AND REFUND

Cancellations made more than 2 weeks in advance will be refunded, less a \$50 administration fee. No refunds or credits issued for voluntary withdrawal, no shows, or the expulsion from the program. No refunds or credits given for students who check-in and who do not finish the program, unless it is injury or sickness related. If Susquehanna National Heritage Area cancels the program for any reason including acts of God and weather related or facility related cancellations, a full refund will be issued.

PERSONAL BELONGINGS

I understand that my child should not bring toys, mobile phones, electronic devices, jewelry, money, or any possession of value with them to any of the programs. I further understand that my child will be responsible for their belongings during the program and that Susquehanna National Heritage Area is not responsible for lost or damaged personal belongings.

WEATHER

Camps will be held rain or shine. In case of inclement weather, activities may be modified or moved indoors. I understand that outdoor exploration is an integral part of the program and my child will be exposed to risks including but not limited to sun, ticks, and insects. I understand that it is my responsibility to apply sunscreen and insect repellent to my child before bringing him/her to camp each day.

BEHAVIOR POLICY

We expect campers to act respectfully at all times when they are on our property or participating in our programs. Campers are to behave in a mature, responsible way and respect the rights and dignity of others. Campers are to respect themselves, each other, camp equipment and the environment.

Examples of unacceptable behavior:

Refusing to follow behavior guidelines or camp rules; Using profanity, vulgarity or obscenity; Stealing or damaging property (personal or camp property); Refusal to participate in activities or cooperate with staff; Disrupting a program; Leaving a program without permission; Endangering the health and safety of children and/or staff; Use of illicit drugs, alcohol or tobacco or sexual conduct of any kind; Teasing, making fun or bullying of other campers or staff; Fighting of any kind.

Camper fees are non-refundable if a camper is sent home for disciplinary reasons. Physical violence or bullying toward another camper or staff member will result in immediate dismissal from the camp program.

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DISCIPLINE PROCEDURES

When a camper does not follow the behavior guidelines, we will take the following action steps as behavior problems progress.

- Staff will redirect the camper to more appropriate behavior.
- If inappropriate behavior continues, the camper will be reminded of behavior guidelines and camp rules, and the camper will be asked to decide on action steps to correct his/her behavior.
- If a child's behavior still does not meet expectations and is affecting the experience of other campers, he/she will sit out activities, especially in instances where they are posing a risk to themselves or others.
- If inappropriate behavior continues, as a final action step the camper may be dismissed from camp.

WHAT TO WEAR

We recommend that campers wear comfortable shorts/pants, socks, and athletic shoes/ sandals. We also recommend that participants wear sunscreen, even on overcast days. If rain is in the forecast, send your child with his/her raincoat. We also recommend that campers bring a change of clothes and/or towel in case they get wet during on-water programming like kayaking.

For kayaking, campers must wear secure, closed-toe shoes that can get wet. Flip-flops, and croc-style shoes are not recommended as they may lose them while on the water. A swimsuit may be worn under shorts and a light weight shirt or top that can get wet.

While kayaking life jackets provided by Shank's Mare Outfitters are required to be worn AT ALL TIMES.

COVID POLICY

Susquehanna National Heritage Area relies on information from the CDC in making decisions for best practice of masks and vaccines. All SNHA staff are fully vaccinated and are required to be at time of hire. Masking will be required for activities based on the COVID-19 Community Levels in Lancaster and York Counties and our current COVID Policy on the susqnh.org website. If your camper is feeling sick or showing any symptoms of COVID-19, we ask that they please stay home or we may send them home from camp.

WHAT TO BRING

- Backpack
- Lunch
- Change of Clothes
- Sunscreen
- Water bottle
- Swim suit or top and shorts that can get wet while kayaking
- Sturdy shoes that can get wet (straps around the ankle) Please NO flip-flops
- Towel
- Any medications



WAIVER AND RELEASE



Separate waiver from Shank's Mare Outfitters must be signed separately.

PARENT RELEASE:

By my signature below, I attest that I am the parent or legal guardian of the minor child named as the Camp Participant in this Waiver and Release ("the Child"), and that I have the authority to execute this Waiver and Release on behalf of the Child. I, the undersigned, parent/guardian on my behalf and on behalf of the Child who intends to attend the SNHA Adventure Day Camp Program (the "Program") presented by Susquehanna National Heritage Area at Columbia Crossing River Trails Center located at 41 Walnut Street, Columbia, Pennsylvania 17512 (the "Center"), hereby acknowledges that there may be certain risks associated with the Program. I acknowledge that participation in outdoor adventure-based activities, including but not limited to, canoeing, kayaking, hiking, bicycling, tubing, rock-climbing, hiking, and outdoor games (the "Activities") entails known and unanticipated risks which could result in physical or emotional injury, paralysis, death, personal injury, injury to property, or injury to third parties. I understand that such risks are inherent, unavoidable, and simply cannot be eliminated without jeopardizing the essential qualities of the Activities. I am fully aware of the risks and hazards connected with the Activities, and voluntarily assume full responsibility for any risks of loss, property damage, or personal injury that may be sustained by the Child as a result of participating in the Program. I, the undersigned parent/legal guardian, on my behalf, and on behalf of the Child, hereby release and forever discharge Susquehanna National Heritage Area, the Borough of Columbia, Shank's Mare Outfitters and their trustees, owners, officers, servants, agents, and employees (collectively "Releasees") from any and all liability for any damages, losses or injuries which may be sustained or suffered by the Child arising out of, during, or in connection with the Program, whether arising from the negligence of the Releasees or otherwise, to the fullest extent permitted by law. In the absence of a signature, payment of fee and participation in the Program shall constitute acceptance of the conditions set forth in this Waiver and Release.

AUDIO/VIDEO IMAGE RELEASE:

Susquehanna National Heritage Area and Shank's Mare Outfitters use images and sounds of the SNHA Adventure Summer Day Camp as a way of documenting the enjoyable and educational experiences during the Program and for funding reporting for grant making purposes. Susquehanna National Heritage Area and Shank's Mare Outfitters either will not identify the Child, or will identify my Child only by first name. I hereby give my permission and consent to Susquehanna National Heritage Area and Shank's Mare Outfitters for the purpose of: (1) photographing, filming, and video/audio taping the Child and (2) using and displaying images and sounds of the Child in Susquehanna National Heritage Area or Shank's Mare Outfitters for promotional and information purposes. I hereby waive and release on behalf of the Child and myself any rights to compensation for, or ownership of, such images and/or sounds and the above uses of them by Susquehanna National Heritage Area and Shank's Mare Outfitters.

MEDICAL RELEASE:

I hereby represent and warrant that the Child is in good health and that the Child has no health condition(s), illness, or communicable disease that may make use of the Center injurious to the Child or any other use of the facility. I represent and warrant that all immunizations for the Child are up to date, OR that I am refusing this requirement for religious or other reasons. I further represent and warrant that the Child's participation in SNHA Adventure Day Camp is covered by a policy of comprehensive health and accident insurance or Medicaid that provides coverage for injuries that the Child may sustain as part of participation in the Program. I consent to emergency medical treatment for the Child if staff or agents of the Program, in their sole discretion, determine it to be necessary. I hereby authorize the staff or agents of the Program to act according to their best judgment in any situation requiring medical attention for the Child. I acknowledge that the costs of any medical treatment provided to the Child that are not covered by medical insurance will be my sole responsibility. In the absence of a signature, payment of fee and participation in the program shall constitute acceptance of the conditions set forth in this release.

By my signature below, I acknowledge that I have carefully read and understood the terms of this SNHA Adventure Day Camp Waiver and Release. I understand that I am relinquishing legal rights and remedies that may have otherwise been available to me.

Full Name of Camp Participant

Parent/ Guardian Signature

Date

