

the AGAZINE

May 2023



Side Notes:

-Forms were due May 1, exceptions for late physicals and travel home from camp.

-Did you know that an on-line version of the pre-camp packet is in your CampMinder account under Forms & Documents?

Forms & Documents for Your Family

Form	Due
 2024 Pre-camp Packet [more info] (3646.81kb PDF)	

-PLEASE go over the Agawak policies on pages 14-18 of the pre-camp packet with your camper. Not knowing our policies will not be a viable defense.

-If your NEW Camper (1st year) has not heard from their BIG sister yet, please contact the office.

welcome

We want to welcome Martina Alonso from Mexico and Neena Uppalapati and Kendall Burd from Chicago to the Agawak Family!

Camp Agawak welcomes everyone but we draw the line at LICE.

Lice checks are required by all campers prior to arrival at camp by a reputable lice company (sorry no doctors or hair salons).

- Checks should be NO earlier than 7 days.
- Email a note or receipt from the lice company to fun@agawak.com before your camper's session begins.
- Campers without verification of a **certified** lice check will be re-checked at camp for a fee of \$50.
- Campers arriving at camp with lice will be charged a \$225 exposure fee. Treatment at camp is \$250. Save yourself money and your camper a itchy head by checking for lice before coming to camp!



Last date to order a white V-neck shirt through us is May 15th. Please complete the google form <https://forms.gle/ndNP1BjDGqyhcnPZ8> with the number of shirts you want and size. The cost is charged to the SMA and shirts will be waiting here at camp when your camper arrives.

Introducing Camp Agawak Staff for 2024

One of the most important things to a parent is who will be taking care of their camper. Mary has hand picked awesome people. Here is our Agawak staff members for 2024!
(* Indicates Returning. As you can see we have a lot!)

Admin Team

Mary Fried-Owner/Director*

Chris Garcia-Assc. Director *
Jacob Fried-Asst. Director *
Sara Mervis-Cabin Life / CIT *
Kate Tichacek-Office Manager *
Kiley Isaacson-Program Dir. *
Emily Gurner - Division Head *
Emily Williams-Asst. Program Dir.*
Shorny Lambert-Waterski Dir. *
Rachel Steele-Division Head *
Jennifer Cuthbert-Gymnastics Dir.*

Activity Specialists

Our goal is to make activities fun and provide opportunities to learn.

Sophia Stiegler-Ceramics *
Zoe Trapp-Arts & Crafts *
Karla Lorgus-Indoor Cooking *
Nikki Schmitt-Tango Tower *
Leah Herrick-Tango Tower *
Kendall Merrit-Tango Tower *
Jadyn Noel-Tango Tower
Chandler Curtis-Boat Driver *
Sven Vargas-Boat Driver *
Fitz Diefenbach-Boat Driver *
Cristian Bigott-Tennis Instructor *
Jason Luszczak-Fishing *
Skyler Green-Photographer *

International Counselors

Campers are so lucky to meet people from another country. These international staff add diversity and new cultures to our program.

United Kingdom

Abbey Bird *
Ella Doocey *
Constance Roberts *
Grace Brand
Mackenzie Butler
Ffion Jones
Jenna Millar
Madeleine Mis-selbrook
Aimee Pendlebury



Australia

Morgan Archer *
Sarah Bahr Withers *
Scarlett Butterfield *
Lauren Gee *
Chloe Jones *
Taygan Lamb *
Sara Whitten *
Kione Arthy
Ella Cochrane
Bailee Piper
Rachel Sullivan
Amy Turner
Clarissa Wilkin



New Zealand

Emma Bradfield
Grace Molotsky
Kayla Richardson

Mexico

Karen Gonzalez Zapata *

Senior Counselors

These girls know a thing or two about camp.

Maddy Gallinson*-Blue White Coor
Jenna Harris*-Blue White Coor
Casey Schwab*-Blue White Coor
Elle Mabon*-EP Coor
Maya Rosenberg*-EP Coor
Riley Sauer*-EP Coor
Molly Fisher*- Oday/Final Four
Annabelle Garelick*- Oday/Final Four
Talia Zazove *
Addie Kerner *
Lucy Paull *
Hadyn Revell *
Carline Skok *
Audrey Smith *
Raegan Sondag *
Marissa Strauss *
Gianna Hall



JC2's—All Returning *

Had so much fun last year as new staff are back for more!

Alexis Abrams
Noa Cooper
Madison Elliott
Camryn Fishman
Meah Flodin
Sydney Glazer
Oliva Gordon
Styra Goldblatt
Annie Isaacson
Maya Kassof
Terra Mass
Winter Rafal



Cara Satyr
Abbie Szot
Kate Winicour

JC1's *—(All campers in 2023, now 1st yr counselors) These girls truly live and breath Agawak.

Amanda Altman
Carly Braverman
Aliza Cohn
Sylvia Fenster
Madeline Glazier
Sadie Handmaker
Emma Jacobson
Jordyn Kohn
Bella Maurer
Abby Mervis
Brooke Olsen
Madison Olsen
Jordan Schaefer
Allyson Shapiro
Ainsley Shaw
Ashley Strauss
Samantha Zemnick



Rookie Counselors

These special people are coming out of "retirement" but are the best!!

Carly Kohn *
Harley Cohen *
Tatum Oblonsky *
Morgan Paull *
Olivia Vigran *

Health Center

This group of dedicated health professionals deliver care with a smile.

Becky Doman, RN *
Caroline Fender, RN *
Brienne Kluck, RN *
Magda Hubner, RN
Audrey Cox, RN
Britney Willie, RN
Amanda Berk, Nursing Asst *
Susan Isensee, MD *
Karah Taxman, MD *



The Kitchen
Some of the hardest working staff at camp. No one goes hungry with this group.

- Chris "Ducky" Domack *
- Cindy Trejo *
- Maria Maldonado *
- Marian Garrido Diaz *
- Xiomara Arcos de Jesus
- Wendy Blancas Banelos
- Lizeth Castaneda Garcia
- Evelyn Colmenares Jimenez
- Ana Grande Hernandez
- Celia Medellin
- Karla Aquino Olivares
- Tonantzin Morales Sanchez
- Georgeth Nieto Martinez
- Gabriela Rosas Guerra
- Valeria Sanchez Mora
- Matthew Sirles

Maintenance Crew
We can all say THANK YOU!

- Jesse Wergin *
- Jon Wergin *
- Indy Martinez *
- Josh Fried *
- Carlos Castelar *
- Alexis Martinez *
- Heath Lambert
- Jazmin Dominguez Prieto



Camp Dog
Cuddly, furry friends to everyone

- Summer *
- Rosco *



I'd like to say there won't be any more missing forms emails, but I can't. Obviously there are some valid reasons for missing forms such as late physicals, unknow travel home info, but other than that your forms should all be done. If you haven't completed your camper's forms, I encourage you to start feeling a little guilt. Guilt is sometimes highly motivating.

- * Yes, Travel information counts as a required form.
- * A photo is a required form. Please make sure we have a RECENT photo. Photos over 2 years are NOT recent, 7th-10th graders please double check that your picture is current.
- * Physical appointments after May 1-We understand, but send in before your camper arrives. You will still get our famous "missing forms" emails.
- * If you need to make a change to a form, contact the office.
- * Please do not email any forms. CampMinder is sometimes tricky so you may want to use the Companion app. It has a document scanning function that makes it easy to upload pdf's.

Temporize—Avoiding committing oneself in order to gain time. Parents that are temporized with regards to turning in forms will continue to be regaled with Chris' emails.



Prescriptions - Supplements - Vitamins
DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER with



All prescriptions and/or daily supplements for campers must be handled through CampMeds. Using CampMeds significantly streamlines our process of dispensing of medications which cuts down on the time campers stand in line. Please refer to pages 19 and 26-28 of the pre-camp packet for more information. Questions regarding their services and medications should be directed to CampMeds at 954-577-0025 or info@CampMeds.com

A \$250 penalty will be assessed for those requiring daily medications/supplements that do not register with CampMeds.

Arrival date	Register by:
June 17th	May 10th
July 14th	June 10th

For unexpected prescriptions while your camper is at Agawak, we ask families to register with Walgreens so we are able to fill prescriptions quickly. Hopefully many of you have already registered.

ROOKIE 1 CAMPERS ARE EXEMPT



Camper Birthdays:

Indra Roop-5/1
Vivienne Joseph—5/5
Quinn Saliterman-5/5
Charlotte Flather— 5/6
Lena Radon-5/6
Ilana Weil-5/7
Kennedy Murphy-5/7
Drew Sauer-5/9
Sydney Schimmel-5/9
Samantha Blume— 5/10
Zoey Ashare-5/10

Danni Goldberg-5/10
Alexandra Forman-5/12
Eva Skalla-5/13
Harper Deutsch-5/13
Maddie Blitz-5/14
Taylor Fishman—5/14
Sloan Silver-5/17
Caroline Mott-5/18
Vivian Abbott-5/19
Naomi Colman-5/20
Jade Goldberg-5/22
Ella Rozenblat—5/22
Isabelle Slovitt—5/24
Yael Lotzof-5/24
Emily Gold-5/25
Rebecca Wilson—5/25
Blair Cohen-5/25

Phoebe Schreier—5/26
Courtney Carder-5/26
Charlie Lerner-5/26
Elise Paresi-5/26
Ainsleigh Eynon—5/31

Staff Birthdays:

Abby Mervis-5/2
Jenna Harris-5/2
Kione Arthy-5/8
Shoryn Lambert-5/8
Grace Molotsky-5/13
Alexis Martinez-5/17
Caroline Skok-5/17
Karah Tasman-5/17
Nikki Schmitt-5/20
Sarah Bahr Withers-5/21
Bella Maurer-5/21
Cara Satyr-5/21

BAGS FOR CHICAGO AREA FAMILIES

Shortly, Camp Baggage Express will send information to all Illinois families regarding bag transportation. Even if you have indicated that you will NOT use this service you will get the information. Plans sometimes change. You are not required to use the service.

Another great resource to help prepare for camp is (appropriately named) Prep4Camp. Prep4Camp’s website has videos and information for parents and kids getting ready for summer camp. We sent an email in April introducing this program but the information is below.

The website is: <https://prep4camp.com/agawak/>
And the secret password is **blueandwhite**

Do you want your camper to spend extra time cleaning or having fun? The more stuff she packs the more there is to clean. KIS-keep it simple.

- 70 lb max for each duffel (soft sided only) and no wheels!! For those using Camp Baggage Express please see pg 7 of pre-camp packet for other requirements.
- Absolutely NO egg-crates. Please pack a padded mattress pad and/or bring a sleeping bag for extra cushion. These will return home with your camper.
- NO electronics! Nothing with screens! The view of Blue Lake is amazing!
- NO 3M Command strips, duct tape or anything STICKY. Contrary to advertising they DON’T come off easily and damage our wood walls.
- NO food or medications in the cabins for either campers or staff. No cooking devices. (but you won’t need these because you followed the no food rule!)
- Inflatable beach toys or chairs. No hard shelving storage units (see below).
- No hammocks
- See the pre-camp booklet for other “banned” items.

SHELVING REMINDER

Each camper will have a set of shelves for their personal belongings. Each set has 4 Shelves, 3 feet wide and 8 inches deep. Each shelf is approximately 11” high. Look right to see an example (also on pg 7 of the pre camp book). Your camper must be able to keep all of her clothing on this set of shelves—and keep it tidy! **We strongly suggest —Pack LIGHT!**



ALL CONTAINERS/SHELVES/DRAWERS MUST BE FABRIC/SOFT SIDED.
HARD-SIDED PLASTIC CONTAINERS ARE NOT ALLOWED!!