Dear Parents,

Camp begins at 9:00am. Have your child here by 8:45 on Monday so they have plenty of time to sign in and pick up their name tag before camp starts. Along with all of our activities, we will serve our campers snacks and lunch. Your child will be ready to be picked up at 4 pm Monday through Thursday, and 5pm on Friday. To get a first-hand look at what campers have been experiencing during their camp week, join us for our Closing Program on Friday from 4-5pm.

Follow the signs on Blattner Road for dropping off your campers of different ages (ages 8-12 down Strong Tower Ln, on the lakeside and ages 13-14 down Sunshine Ln, past the barn). On Monday morning as you drive through, STR Managers will meet you at your car to give you your children’s welcome packet. You will be given two claim cards; whoever is picking up your child in the afternoons MUST have one of these in their possession OR a picture of it on their phone for us to release your child to them. We will make exceptions on Monday only if you are unable to get the claim tag to the person who will be picking up your child. If this is the case, when you drop off your child on Monday, you must tell the greeter the name of the person who will pick up your child, and we will hold one of the claim cards for them with that person’s name on it.

The emergency camp contact number for parents to call during camp hours will be printed on your Claim Cards.

For those paying by check or having payment balances due to STR, payments are due one week before your camp week.

PLEASE LABEL ALL BELONGINGS. We keep unclaimed items for one month, and then donate them to a local thrift shop.

There will be plenty of food available for your child. If he/she has food allergies or special dietary needs, feel free to supply your own lunches and/or snacks. We will not be able to provide refrigerator space for camper use. Please call Kim if you have concerns in this area.

Use the following guidelines when preparing your children for camp:

- Children must wear closed-toed shoes.
- Girls are encouraged to wear their swim suits under their clothes to save time in the changing room; they may change into dry clothing afterwards if they wish. Girls must wear one-piece swimsuits, or two piece swimsuits with t-shirts over them.
- Boys are encouraged to wear their swim shorts to camp; they may change after swimming if they wish.
- Backpack or tote-bag with the following items:
  - Towel
  - Change of clothes in a plastic grocery bag, in case clothes get wet
  - Sun screen
- All prescription or non-prescription medications must be given to the camp nurse in its original container with written dispensing instructions. Inhalers or epi-pens will be given to the Counselor of your child’s group by the nurse. The Counselor will keep them in their First-Aid Fanny Pack which is with them at all times.
Items NOT to bring to camp:

- Electronic devices of any kind

- Cell phones - If your child must have a cell phone, it will be kept in the nurse’s office during camp hours. The nurse will not be available to receive calls on camper cell phones. If your child needs to make an emergency phone call, he/she will have access to a phone.

- Games, toys or food (with the exception of food for special dietary needs as described above)

- Knives, firearms, explosives, illegal drugs, alcoholic beverages or anything that may be construed as a weapon (parent will be notified)

- Money or any valuables that could be lost or stolen. Strong Tower Ranch is not responsible for lost or stolen camper items.

We do not cancel camp if it rains. We will have alternate activities for the campers.

Closing Program on Friday

You are invited to attend our Closing Program on Friday. It will start at 4:00 and be over at about 5:00pm. Please arrive by 3:45 and take the Sunshine Lane entrance by the Strong Tower Ranch sign. Park in the grass near the arena and sit in the grandstands. If your child rides the van that day and you will NOT be here for the program, your child will be dropped off ONE HOUR LATER at their usual location. IF YOUR CHILD RIDES THE VAN THAT DAY AND YOU WILL BE ATTENDING, PLEASE LET THE VAN DRIVER KNOW THAT YOU ARE TAKING YOUR CHILD HOME WITH YOU.

Thank you for trusting your children to us. We are doing our best to teach them very important life skills and Bible truths while showing them a great time.

If you have any specific instructions or needs for your child before camp begins, please contact Kim Derrington at 636-333-0212 ext 4, or str.office.daycamp@gmail.com, we will do our best to accommodate you.

His for the kids,
Kim Derrington
Day Camp Registrar