

# The Top 10 Questions That Campers Ask:



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- 1. Will I make friends at camp?** Yes! You'll be living in a cabin with other kids your age. You'll do activities with other kids who share your interests. You'll meet lots of kids from all over the United States and the world. They will all be different, but they will share one common bond – Christian Science. At camp it is easy and natural to make friends, and the friends you make often become friends for life.
- 2. Will I have fun?** Ask any kid who's been to camp and he or she will tell you that camp is lots of fun. You'll always have someone to play with and there will always be something to do.
- 3. How many activities can I do each day?** On regular activity days you will have 4 classes that meet every day. In these classes you will be able to learn and practice new skills. You'll also have a chance to sample other activities during your free choice period. If you took a different activity during each free choice period you'd be able to try as many as twelve different activities – plus lots of other evening activities and special activities such as cookouts, council fires, etc. We strongly recommend that you take a swimming class if you are a beginner level swimmer.
- 4. How's the food?** Camp food is good food. You'll get really hungry at camp because you're always on the go. We serve a big breakfast with two courses: cereal plus a main course like scrambled eggs & toast, French toast, or pancakes. Things you'll have for lunch and dinner include pizza, hot dogs, hamburgers, tacos, submarine sandwiches and grilled cheese sandwiches. On cookout nights and overnights you'll get to cook your own food. You might have macaroni & cheese and hot dogs cooked on a stick, or you might have overnight tacos or try your hand at mess kit pizzas. Let us know what your favorite foods are so that we can try to put them on the menu.
- 5. Where will I live?** There are separate camps for girls and boys. You'll be living in a cabin and sleeping in bunk beds. You can choose either a top or bottom bunk. You'll have shelves and hanging space for all your stuff. The youngest campers (nine and under) have a bathroom in their cabin. Older campers will have to walk to a nearby bath house with sinks, flush toilets and showers. There are between 3-6 campers in each room and 6-12 campers in each cabin (fewer in the younger cabins, more in the older cabins).
- 6. What are Kapers?** Kapers are the jobs you do each day with your cabin mates to keep your cabin clean and make it look great. (When you share a room with 4 or 5 other people things can get pretty messy!) You will be responsible for making your bed and putting away your stuff neatly. You will also be responsible for a different chore each day like sweeping the floor or cleaning the showers.
- 7. What's quiet hour?** Quiet hour is the time for reading the Christian Science Bible Lesson. Everyone in your cabin will read from the lesson together and talk about how the ideas can be applied to your daily life. You will also choose a "thought for the day" to memorize and share with the rest of the camp at the daily assembly.
- 8. Can I be in the same cabin as my best friend?** Cabin assignments are based on age. If you and your friend are close in age, then you will probably be in the same cabin. If you are different ages then it might not work out. We'd be happy to consider your request.

**9. What kind of clothes should I bring?** We've included a packing list to help you decide what to bring. Bring plenty of T-shirts and socks and several pairs of sneakers including at least one really beat up pair that you can get wet. Don't bring lots of new or expensive clothes. Bring your old grungy stuff so you don't have to worry about your clothes when you are doing pottery or playing mud soccer. Some kids like to have one nice outfit to wear for the final banquet, but camp is one place where you never have to get dressed up if you don't want to. Even on Sundays no one gets dressed up because during Sunday School you'll probably go outside and sit on the ground.

**10. Should I bring my musical instrument to camp?** If you play a musical instrument, we would love to have you bring it to camp. Many campers play in front of an audience for the first time at camp. You can perform in the talent show and during our Sunday evening vespers, either solo or with a friend or a group of cabin mates. If your parents are worried about sending an expensive instrument to camp, ask them to talk to the director about it. If you play the piano bring your music because camp has lots of pianos where you can practice or perform.

**If you have other questions that we didn't answer here,  
feel free to email us at [camp@crystallakecamps.org](mailto:camp@crystallakecamps.org)!**

**Typical daily schedule:**

7:15 Camper reveille  
 7:30 Flag raising  
 7:45 Quiet hour  
 8:15 Hoppers to the dining hall  
 8:30 Breakfast  
 9:15 Assembly  
 9:45 Kapers  
 10:30 First activity period  
 11:30 Second activity period  
 12:15 Hoppers to the dining hall  
 12:30 Lunch  
 1:30 Rest hour  
 2:45 Third activity period  
 3:45 Fourth activity period  
 4:45 Fifth activity period (free choice)  
 5:45 Hoppers to the dining hall  
 6:00 Supper  
 7:00 Flag lowering  
 7:15 Evening program  
 8:45 6-8 bedtime  
 9:15 9-11 bedtime  
 9:45 12-15 bedtime  
 10:00 15-17 bedtime

**Typical session schedule:**

Saturday: Campers arrive  
 Sunday: Sunday School  
 Activity fair  
 Picnic supper  
 Barn dance  
 Monday: Regular activities  
 Cookouts  
 Tuesday: Regular activities  
 Girls'/Boys' camp activities  
 Wednesday: Regular activities  
 Testimony meeting  
 Thursday: Overnight camping trip  
 Friday: Return from overnights  
 Saturday: Regular activities  
 All-camp activity  
 Sunday: Sunday School  
 Camp activities & Free swim  
 Vespers  
 Monday: Regular activities  
 Talent show  
 Tuesday: Special activity day  
 Wednesday: Regular activities  
 Testimony meeting  
 Thursday: Regular activities  
 Council fire  
 Friday: Packing day & banquet

**Get psyched for camp ~ you're going to have a blast!**