

Has child been away from home more than two days? Yes No

Has child been to camp previously? Yes No

What are your child's responsibilities at home? _____

Does your child make friends with: Own Age Younger Older

Does child get along with others: Easily Fairly Easily With Difficulty

FOR 1ST SESSION ONLY:

If your child wishes, and space permits, would you like to extend his/her stay at camp for the 2nd Session? Yes No

To what clubs or groups does your child belong? _____

Chief interests and hobbies: _____

Please state area or specialty in camp in which you would like your child encouraged to participate

Does child have to be prodded? Yes No
If yes, in what way? _____

NOTE: IF YOU HAVE SWIM CARDS FROM CAMPS OTHER THAN BIRCHMONT, PLEASE ATTACH A COPY TO THIS FORM.

CHARACTERISTICS - (Please check those which are appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Finishes what he/she starts | <input type="checkbox"/> Easily lead | <input type="checkbox"/> Selfish |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Obedient | <input type="checkbox"/> Moody | <input type="checkbox"/> Easy Going |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Team Worker | <input type="checkbox"/> Sensitive | <input type="checkbox"/> Strong willed |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Retiring | <input type="checkbox"/> Alert | <input type="checkbox"/> Cheerful |

In what way (if any) have you had difficulty in understanding your child?

Is child over sensitive? Yes No In what way?

Sleep habits: Light Heavy Sleep walker Nightmares

Bed wetter (if so, send rubber sheet along)

State special fears, if any _____

Activity Restriction _____

Health: Robust Normal Below average

Any medical conditions of which cabin counselors should be aware?
(Please explain on reverse side.)

Food or other allergies _____

Appetite: Robust Normal Below average

A SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING PERSONAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR CHILD

You will notice that our Confidential Form asks for personal information regarding your child. We would like to take a moment to talk with you about this important question.

- *Some parents hesitate to provide camps with information about personal aspects of their child's behavior or past experience. Some fear the information may be misused, while others are concerned about their child being labeled, singled out, or treated differently. All parents want to see their child have a strong, fresh start at camp, unencumbered by past experiences.*
 - *As seasoned camp directors and parents ourselves, we appreciate these concerns. We also know how invaluable such information can be in assisting us help your child make as smooth and happy adjustment to camp as possible - something we know all parents want, too.*
 - *Having prior knowledge about a learning difficulty, an ADHD or bedwetting problem, a recent loss, or major change in the family or child's life, makes a tremendous difference in helping us to be sensitive to your child's need for patience, understanding and reassurance - especially in the first few days of camp!*
 - *This is especially true for children who have an attention problem or who are nervous about new situations. Many*
- *parents fear that a camp will not accept their child if they are completely forthcoming about these situations, yet children need us to be partners with you in planning for a safe and successful summer.*
 - *Furthermore, children often use their behavior rather than words to tell us something is bothering them. Having advance knowledge of areas that might be difficult for your child helps us understand the message in his or her actions. The better we understand your child, the more we can assure you of a better summer for him or her.*
 - *Our commitment is to use such information only to help your child adjust to camp. It will never be used at camp unless necessary, and then only with the greatest of discretion and your prior knowledge.*

Remember, when faced with challenges, we can help your child have great success if you help us. We encourage you to make us a full partner in planning for your child's summer.

Best personal regards from Greg & Laura!

Greg & Laura

