

Odakoda Counselor FAQ

Thank you for joining us at camp 2023!

Location: Camp Odakoda is located at the Camp Tapawingo Facility

- 22505 Black Rock Rd, Falls City, OR 97344 (contact Cindy if you need a carpool connection) **DO NOT FOLLOW GPS DIRECTIONS - SEE ATTACHED MAP.**

Arrival Time:

- New counselors 3:00 pm Monday, July 24th, 2023
- Returning Counselors between 3:00 and 5:00 pm Monday, July 24th
- Dinner is at 6:00 pm on Monday, July 24th

Departure Time:

- Saturday, July 29th After campers are gone (around 10 am) and camp is clean we can leave we are usually able to leave before noon.

Training for Camp :

- If you are new to camp please go over our pre-camp training. If you took it last year it is not necessary to do it again. It is attached.
- Here is the link to the Camp Odakoda Parent Training 2021 video that was provided to parents. [Parent Meeting 2021 Link](#) You may find this helpful.
- The first 24 hours is prior to campers arrival. This is our training time.
- If you are new to camp, rest assured, there will always be experienced counselors around as a resource.
- Attached to this email is a document, Coming to Camp that is provided to parents. Take a look through this for more details.

Packing List: Check the “Coming to Camp Packet”

- You will have a bunk with a mattress but you will need to bring your own **sleeping bag and pillow**. I like to bring a twin fitted sheet to put over the mattress and then put my sleeping bag on top.
- **Swimwear for women** – It is limited to one piece or tankini. If you don't have a one piece you may wear a tank over your two piece.
- **Layers** - The weather is similar to what you'd find in Portland. It cools down at night so layers and extra bedding for cold nights are helpful.
- **Bug spray** – Evenings there are often mosquitoes.
- **Sunscreen** – We spend a lot of time in the sun during the day..
- **Camping chair** – If you have a camping chair, bring it.
- **A water bottle and don't forget your towel!**



Bunk Signs:

- Each camper and counselor brings a copy paper size sheet to hang on their bunk. This includes their name and pictures of things they like. It is a good conversation starter and helps to claim your territory! If you can't make one at home, you can do it once at camp.

Dance of the Decades

- On the last night of camp we will hold a dance and you can dress up from your favorite decade if you like. Bring a costume, or find something in our costume box.

Cabin Rules:

- Our safety protocol requires that no medications or supplements be kept in the cabins. Please put your items in a labeled bag or pouch and the nurse will keep them in the counselor medication box. They will be available at meals. Arrangements can be made for other access if needed.
- No food is allowed in the cabins.

Meals :

- Attached is the Counselor Alternative Dietary Request Form. If you have a special dietary need, please complete the form (you may have to enable editing), save it, then attach and email back to me. **These must be returned to me as soon as possible.** *The kitchen is limited to accommodating gluten free and some dairy free.* You may need to pack food if you are not able to eat off of the menu. The menu will be in 2022 coming to camp packet.
- Our cook, Jane, does a great job of keeping us well fed!

Phone Service:

- There is no phone or internet service at camp. You will have a break each afternoon if you need to go into town and check your messages.

