

CAMP QUEST SMOKY MOUNTAINS

2009

REGISTRATION FORM

Mail to:

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1056 Lovell Road
Knoxville, Tennessee 37932

Camper's Name: _____

Male / Female: _____ Age: _____ Birthday: _____ Nickname: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Parent / Guardian: _____

Home Phone: _____ Business Phone _____ Other _____

E-mail (Parent/Guardian): _____ E-mail (Camper): _____

CAMP FEES:

Camper: \$575 per camper (each additional sibling, \$525). Deduct \$50 if fees are paid in full by April 24, 2009. The fee includes everything, except the store at camp (some fun Smoky Mountain stuff is available there).

The following fees are optional:

Shirts: One sport shirt is included in the camp fee. Additional shirts are available \$15 (each); indicate size(s) for shirt(s) desired.

Size, (child) 7-8: _____ 10-12: _____ 14-16: _____ (adult) sm: _____ med: _____ lg: _____ x-lg: _____

Camp Photo: The fees include one camp photo for each camper; additional copies are \$6 each.

Elective Activities: Details on elective activities will be provided later.

Registration fee of \$100 must accompany application. (This fee is deducted from total fee and is **nonrefundable**.)

Balance of all fees is due by **Sunday, July 26, 2009 (we have to pay to rent the camp facility)**

Make checks payable to "Rationalists of East Tennessee"

Please include a recent photograph of the camper. (Important: last year's photo won't do)

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Parent and Camper Statement of Understanding of Camp Quest Policy

The following is Camp Quest policy information for the safety and protection of each child. Please read, sign, and return to Camp Quest with your registration form.

We (camper and parent) understand that it is the responsibility of each camper to participate in the whole program, including activities of work, play, values sharing and living together. We understand and support camp policies prohibiting campers from bringing weapons to camp, and from possessing or using tobacco products, alcoholic beverages or non-prescription drugs while at camp. We recognize that campers must follow safety instructions, remain in areas designated by staff and refrain from behavior that is harmful to themselves or others. Failure to adhere to camp policies may cause the Camp Director to dismiss a camper, without refund of camp fees.

I (parent) understand that I am not to leave my child at Camp Quest unless a camp staff member is there to receive and supervise my child.

I understand that my child will not be allowed to leave the camp or camp activities with an unauthorized person. Any person authorized to pick-up my child must be listed on the camp sign-in sheet or other arrangements must be made by calling the Camp Quest office to inform them.

I am aware that my child will have the opportunity to participate in camp activities which may involve a degree of risk, and I approve his/her participation in such activities. I understand that accidents can occur, recognizing that the camp will do its best to ensure a safe and enjoyable camping experience,

I hereby release Camp Quest and its operator, the Rationalists of East Tennessee, Inc., and the camp provider, the Great Smoky Mountains Institute at Tremont, from any and all responsibility and liability of any nature resulting from my child's participation in any camp activity. I have read and understand The Affirmations of Humanism: A Statement of Principles and Values attached to this form and recognize them as fundamental to the philosophy of Camp Quest.

I understand that my child will be photographed, and consent to the photographs being used for camp promotional purposes.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Camper Signature

Date

The Affirmations of Humanism: A Statement of Principles and Values

- ~ We are committed to the application of reason and science to the understanding of the universe and to the solving of human problems.
- ~ We deplore efforts to denigrate human intelligence, to seek to explain the world in supernatural terms, and to look outside nature for salvation.
- ~ We believe that scientific discovery and technology can contribute to the betterment of human life.
- ~ We believe in an open and pluralistic society and that democracy is the best guarantee of protecting human rights from authoritarian elites and repressive majorities.
- ~ We are committed to the principle of the separation of church and state.
- ~ We cultivate the arts of negotiation and compromise as a means of resolving differences and achieving mutual understanding.
- ~ We are concerned with securing justice and fairness in society and with eliminating discrimination and intolerance.
- ~ We believe in supporting the disadvantaged and the handicapped so that they will be able to help themselves.
- ~ We attempt to transcend divisive parochial loyalties based on race, religion, gender, nationality, creed, class, sexual orientation, or ethnicity, and strive to work together for the common good of humanity.
- ~ We want to protect and enhance the earth, to preserve it for future generations, and to avoid inflicting needless suffering on other species.
- ~ We believe in enjoying life here and now and in developing our creative talents to their fullest.
- ~ We believe in the cultivation of moral excellence.
- ~ We respect the right to privacy. Mature adults should be allowed to fulfill their aspirations, to express their sexual preferences, to exercise reproductive freedom, to have access to comprehensive and informed health-care, and to die with dignity.
- ~ We believe in the common moral decencies: altruism, integrity, honesty, truthfulness, responsibility. Humanist ethics is amenable to critical, rational guidance. There are nonnative standards that we discover together. Moral principles are tested by their consequences.
- ~ We are deeply concerned with the moral education of our children. We want to nourish reason and compassion.
- ~ We are engaged by the arts no less than by the sciences.
- ~ We are citizens of the universe and are excited by discoveries still to be made in the cosmos.
- ~ We are skeptical of untested claims to knowledge, and we are open to novel ideas and seek new departures in our thinking.
- ~ We affirm humanism as a realistic alternative to theologies of despair and ideologies of violence and as a source of rich personal significance and genuine satisfaction in the service to others.
- ~ We believe in optimism rather than pessimism, hope rather than despair, learning in the place of dogma, truth instead of ignorance, joy rather than guilt or sin, tolerance in the place of fear, love instead of hatred, compassion over selfishness, beauty instead of ugliness, and reason rather than blind faith or irrationality.
- ~ We believe in the fullest realization of the best and noblest that we are capable of as human beings.