

Cell Phone Policy 2008

Camp Sky-Y Adventure Camps

We do understand that many parents are worried about their campers due to the nature of traveling out of state. Therefore if a camper chooses to bring their cell phone, each day at lunch we will have an official “check in” time where campers have a few minutes to call home. **This time to call home will be between the hours of 11:30am and 1:30pm each day. * (See exceptions below)**

Sky-Y Teen Adventure Campers will not have access to their cell phones at all times of day. If a camper chooses to bring a cell phone it will be kept in a lock box under the Staff’s supervision.

Campers will be allowed to call home, and must only call parents or guardians. If the parent/guardians cannot be reached, the camper can leave a message, but parents will not be able to call back because after each call time, phones will be turned off so they can save battery. Campsites do not always have accessible electricity to charge phones, and the car chargers will be used for Trip Leaders phones in case of emergency.

* There are some trips in which the Cell Phone service is questionable, and we cannot guarantee each service provider will have service. Those trip dates are listed below:

1. Lake Powell Water Sports: Since we will be out on the lake each day, depending on location, cell service is not available at lunch. **Check in time will be between the hours of 5:30pm and 7:30pm.** We also will not call home on our last night spend at Sky Y (Friday June 13) as cell service at Camp Sky-Y is limited.
2. Catalina Island: We will call home upon arrival at our campsite Sunday night. For the next 3 days we are on the island, I cannot guarantee that every service provider will get service. Mon June 9th Tue June 10th and Wed June 11th, we will not have a check in call.
3. Habitat New Mexico: Sunday July 27th we will be rafting and will not be taking our cell phones on the boat.

For trips that include a visit to an Amusement Park: California Dreaming, Surf and Sea World, and Catalina all include a visit to 1 or more amusement parks. We allow campers to split up into group of no less than 3 people, and give them exact times throughout the day to meet back with the staff and other campers. We will allow campers to keep their cell phones at the amusement parks in case they need to contact the camp staff, the authorities, or check on the time. We will ask that campers keep their cell phone turned off unless making a needed call or checking the time - in order to save the battery. But we cannot guarantee that they will not make calls or text messages to outside individuals. If you have concerns about your camper making unsupervised calls, it is best to not send a cell phone with your camper.

If you have an emergency or you feel you must contact your camper, please call our main camp number 1-800-660-1385 and ask to speak with our Camp Director who can contact the Trip Leaders.