



TRAILBLAZER

GRADES 5-8

The best week of your summer happens right here! You'll create unforgettable memories while building friendships, having a blast with all the different camp activities, and growing in your faith. Trailblazer also includes the opportunity to go on the zip line!

PRE-CAMP CHECKLIST

- Mark your dates on the calendar!**
Make sure you have the correct dates written down for when you'll be attending camp.
- Double check roommate requests!**
Check with your buddy to make sure they requested you as a roommate and that you're both registered for the same session and the same housing option.
- Fill out your forms!**
See what forms you need to fill out on the [Form Checklist](#) below. If you registered online, fill out your forms using your online account. If you registered by mail, download your forms at <https://campluther.com/forms>.
- Pay in full!**
Full payment of your registration fee is due by May 1st. Payment of your balance can be made by check or credit card. You can pay via mail or through our online registration system.
- Start packing!**
Visit <https://campluther.com/parents> to download a camp packing list and to find other helpful information.

FORM CHECKLIST

All forms must be completed by June 1. For more detailed information and to download forms, visit <https://campluther.com/forms>.

- Camper Profile Form
- Emergency Medical Form
- Zipline Waiver Form

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Check-In Process

Check-In will be on Sunday from 1:30pm to 3:30pm.

Upon arrival, our staff will greet your family and guide you through the check-in and move-in process. Trailblazer will officially start with a welcome and orientation session in the courtyard at 3:30pm.

Pick-Up Process

Camper Pick-Up will take place Friday at 11:00am in the courtyard. Parents are welcomed and encouraged to come early and join us for closing devotions at 10:30am.

Canteen/Spending Money

The Canteen is our camp store that offers a variety of snacks, clothing items, souvenirs, and more. Campers visit the store twice a day and use pre-paid Canteen Cards to purchase items. If you registered online, you may add money to your camper's Canteen account prior to attending camp. Otherwise, you can purchase a Canteen Card when you drop your child off at Camp Luther. A typical spending amount for a week at camp is \$15-\$30.

Camper Medication

Any required medications should be brought to camp with your child. Our First Aid Office is stocked with over the counter medication (ibuprofen, tylenol, benadryl, etc.), so your child does not need to bring these items unless he/she takes a specific amount each day. In compliance with state regulations, all medications brought to camp (including inhalers) must be in the original prescription container with a physician's directions for dosage. We CANNOT accept unlabeled medication.

Frequently Asked Questions

What if I have to drop my camper off late, or pick them up early?

Late arrival or early pick-up is not recommended and should be considered only in extreme circumstances. If you must arrive late for any reason please call our office in advance so we may prepare for your arrival. Early pick-up should also be arranged in advance.

Can my camper bring their cell phone to camp?

We do NOT allow campers to bring their cell phone or other handheld electronics to camp. We have found that a technology-free policy not only promotes camper safety, but also greatly enhances the overall camp experience. Any cell phones that are sent with campers will be confiscated and held in the office until the end of the session.

Can I contact my camper during their week at camp?

You are welcome to send your child mail while at camp! Letters can be mailed to Camp Luther with your child's name and camper group listed in the attention line. Emails can be sent by visiting <https://campluther.com/parents>. Please be aware that campers are not able to respond to email messages--emails will be printed and distributed on paper. Our last email/mail delivery takes place on Thursday afternoon. We do not allow parents to call campers during their time at camp, except in the case of a family emergency.

What if my child has a food allergy or dietary restriction?

If your child has an allergy or dietary restriction concern that could result in a reaction while at camp, we want our health staff and food service team to be knowledgeable about your child's situation. PLEASE include this information on your Medical Form and communicate with us so that we can provide a positive and safe experience for your child. Our Food Service Manager, Ren, is available for information on menus and managing food restrictions. Contact her at ren@campluther.com or 715-546-3647.

What if my child has special needs or disabilities?

If your child has any special needs or disabilities that could impact their camp experience, please identify this information on your Medical Form and Camper Profile Form and communicate with our Program Manager, Sojo, to discuss how we can best serve your child during their camp experience. Sojo can be contacted at sojo@campluther.com or 715-546-3647.

What will you do if my child gets sick while at camp?

Ensuring the health and safety of your child while at camp is of utmost importance to us. We have a certified medical professional on site 24/7, as well as a trained Health Care Coordinator. In addition, all of our summer staff are certified in First Aid/CPR. If your child is sick, our health staff will assess the situation and seek to make them as comfortable as possible. If the illness is of a serious nature, we will contact you immediately. If your child needs medical attention, we will contact you as soon as possible to keep you updated on the situation. Being sick is never fun, but it can be worse at camp. In cases of prolonged illness, we will ask that the child be picked up and returned to the comfort of home if they are ill, rather than remaining at camp.

The Fine Print

Deposit and Payment: Camp Luther accepts Visa, MasterCard, and Discover for deposit and balance payments. You may also pay by check. Full payment is due May 1st.

Cancellations: Once you have received confirmation of registration, your deposit is non-refundable. No refunds will be granted within 30 days of your camper session except in cases of illness or injury (with doctor's note), and family emergencies. A pro-rated portion of the registration fee minus your deposit will be refunded if a camper is sent home due to illness or injury. Refunds will not be made for a remaining period of two days or less. If a camper leaves early due to homesickness, disciplinary reasons, or parent request, no refund will be given. All refund requests must be made in writing.

Grade Level Policy: All program grade levels are based on current grade levels for the 2018-2019 school year. For the well-being of the program, campers, and staff, we do not make exceptions for camper grade.

Camper Expectations: It's our goal that everyone who attends Camp Luther is encouraged and strengthened in their faith through authentic community, outstanding staff, experiential activities, and intentional faith building. To ensure a safe and positive environment for every camper, Camp Luther asks that each camper's behavior, speech, and clothing are appropriate for the Christian atmosphere we try to model.

Rules for Acceptance: Camp Luther accepts campers without regard to religion, race, color, national origin, sex, age, or handicap.

Roommate Policy: We do our best to honor all roommate requests, but cannot guarantee them. Please list only one name as a roommate preference, and please make sure that BOTH campers request each other when they register. Roommate requests should only be made between campers who are in the same camp program. PLEASE double check with any potential roommates that your campers are actually signed up for the same housing for the same week.

Housing Policy: Housing options fill up fast, so please register early to ensure you receive your preferred housing. If there are any issues with the housing option you selected, Camp Luther staff will notify you as soon as possible to discuss your options.

Waiting List Policy: Programs at Camp Luther fill fast, so it is important that you register early. If you register for a full program or filled housing option and cannot move to an open one, you will be contacted and asked if you wish to be placed on a waiting list. As spots become available, we will fill them from the waiting list on a first-come, first-served basis. Your deposit will be held and only applied once you agree to register for a camp.

Promotional Images: Camp Luther regularly uses photographs and/or video images of camper participants for official Camp Luther promotional purposes including print, internet, social media, video, and other media. While your child's image may be captured, their name will not be shared. If you wish for your child to be excluded, please provide a request in writing along with a photo of your child.

PROGRAM SPECIFIC INFORMATION

- Housing is in the Retreat Center or one of our five themed Villages (Tower, Pioneer, Treehouse, Ark, and Fort)
- Trailblazer campers will have the opportunity to go on the zip line. (But they don't have to go if they don't want to.)

TYPICAL DAY AT CAMP

8:00	Breakfast Journaling
Morning	Christian Growth - skits, songs, Bible study, and discussion time Activity Time - archery, canoeing, arts and crafts, challenge course, etc.
12:00	Lunch Service Project
Afternoon	Quiet Time Activity Time - swimming, ga ga ball, fort building, angleball, etc. Canteen
4:30	Cook-Out Dinner
Evening	Athletic Field Games - sproutball, volleyball explosion, and more All-Camp Game - Capture the Flag, Boofer, Counselor Hunt, etc. Canteen Campfire Worship and Devotions Cabin Time - checking in, discussing the day, prayer time
10:30	Get Ready for Bed Lights Out