



Mar-Lu-Ridge Camper Information Confidential Form



To Be Completed by a Camper's Parent/Guardian

This form must be returned **three weeks** prior to camper's arrival!

One form per camper is required – whether the camper is new or returning to Mar-Lu-Ridge.

About this Form

The purpose of this form is to help us meet the individual needs of each camper enrolled in our program. **We will never misuse the information provided or to release it to unauthorized persons.**

Some of the information in this form may seem irrelevant, but it is truly invaluable; such information helps assist us in making your child's transition to camp as smooth and happy as possible—something we know all parents/guardians want, too! Having prior knowledge about a learning difficulty, ADHD, or a recent loss or major change in the family or child's life makes a tremendous difference in helping us 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. We want to be partners with you and your child in planning for a safe and successful camp experience. Children often use their behavior rather than their 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 their actions. The better we understand your child, the more we can assure you of a better camp experience for them.

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 discretion and your prior knowledge. If you have any special concerns about this information or about your child, please feel free to call us: 1-800-238-9974.

ABOUT YOUR CAMPER:

Camper Name: _____ Age: _____ Grade in Fall: _____

Name camper prefers to be called/Nickname: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Is this your camper's first year at Mar-Lu-Ridge? (Circle one): Yes No

If no, how many years have they come to MLR: _____

If it is your first time at MLR, is this your camper's first overnight camping experience? If no, where has your camper gone to camp previously?

What types of activities does your camper enjoy? _____

Briefly describe your camper's personality (please include any psychological/behavior conditions or challenges): _____

Describe any fears your camper has (e.g. darkness, animals, etc.) _____

Does your camper have any learning challenges we should be aware of? _____

What expectations/goals do you have for your camper's time at Mar-Lu-Ridge? _____

What specific suggestions do you have to make the transition to Mar-Lu-Ridge a positive one for your camper? _____

HEALTH: Does your camper wear glasses? (Circle one) Yes No Contact lenses? Yes No

Does your camper sleepwalk? (Circle one): Never Rarely Occasionally Frequently

If so, any suggestions? _____

Does your camper wet the bed, or struggle with anything bathroom related?

(Circle one): Never Rarely Occasionally Frequently

If so, how is this situation handled at home? What suggestions do you have for camp? _____

Has your camper ever struggled with missing home (homesickness)?

(This is for anytime away from their home/parent/guardian)

(Circle one): Never Rarely Occasionally Frequently

If they have, what helped them, and what suggestions do you have for camp?

If Applicable:

Has your camper menstruated? _____ If not, has your camper been told about it? _____

If so, is your camper's menstrual history normal? _____ Special considerations: _____

HOME: Please list the members of your camper's household/relationship to the camper. List the ages of any siblings.

Are parents separated or divorced? _____

Is there any serious illness in the family? _____

Have there been any big changes to the family recently? (Birth, death, separation, divorce, move, etc)

ANYTHING ELSE?

Is there anything else you would want your camper's counselor to know about them?

****Parent/Guardian Signature:** _____ **Date** _____