

STRONG RIVER CAMP & FA

Balance Due: \$

The information above reflects assignments and payments through 4/25/2017.
In case of an error please notify us immediately.

All fees are due by May 10, 2017. Requests for changes should be made in writing or by email to changes@strongriver.com.

Please return your (yellow) completed Health Form/Consent Form in the envelope provided.

We prefer payments be made by check to:
Strong River Camp & Farm
125 Strong River Camp Drive
Pinola, MS 39149

You can also make a credit card payment online at www.strongriver.com.

We can't wait to see you this summer!



1 Week Sessions = \$1250 Sessions 1 & 5 = \$600 Session 4 = \$2000

2017 Sessions:

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| 1. June 7 - June 10 | 5. July 5 - July 8 |
| 2. June 11 - June 17 | 6. July 9 - July 15 |
| 3. June 18 - June 24 | 7. July 16 - July 22 |
| 4. June 25 - July 5 | |

Federal Tax ID# 64-062-1161

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CANCELLATION POLICY In case of written notice of cancellation before May 1, 2017, all payments less \$50 will be refunded. **After May 1, 2017**, if we are notified, in writing, of cancellation at least 10 days prior to the camp session, all payments less \$200 will be refunded. Less than 10 days notice of cancellation will result in the forfeiture of fees paid. Refund checks will be sent when camp is over in August. Last minute cancellations for medical reasons cannot be refunded but may be applied to an alternate session in 2017 or 2018.

EARLY PICK-UP POLICY Every summer we have several requests for campers to either leave camp for a ballgame or a swim-meet or a play rehearsal and then return, or to leave camp early to participate in some other activity or a family trip, etc. We have found this "breaks the spell" of this brief but intensive camping experience, so that the intangible benefits of camp are virtually destroyed, not only for the camper who leaves but for the others in the cabin, and even for the other campers in camp. We feel strongly about this and ask campers to make a choice to either come to camp or attend the other activity and not try to do both. If necessary you may pick up your camper after the campfire ceremony, late Friday night. Please discuss this with us in advance if this would be helpful for you.

WWW.STRONGRIVER.COM We reserve the right to use video or photographic images of campers in action. We will not identify campers by name without your consent.

SOCIAL MEDIA Out of respect for the privacy of all our camp families, we ask campers not to identify anyone by name if posting camp photos. It would be great if parents would supervise their campers' postings.

DISMISSAL Strong River Camp and Farm depends on a group spirit of enthusiasm and cooperation from our campers to produce a camp experience that is wholesome, fun and constructive. Most of our campers are eager to contribute to this spirit with a positive attitude. If we have a camper who is so determined not to cooperate that it threatens the camp experience for other campers we reserve the right to ask such a camper to leave. We sincerely hope all campers and parents will be aware of and understand this policy. This will be done only when it is absolutely necessary and with deep regret.

We do appreciate your interest in Strong River Camp and Farm and we look forward to happy times together. Let us know if there is anything that we can do to make this a better experience for you and your camper.

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One Week Sessions

What to Bring

- ☐ 5 Shirts
- ☐ 5 Shorts
- ☐ 1 Jeans/Pants
- ☐ 1 White Shirt
- ☐ 1 White Shorts
- ☐ 10 Pairs Socks
- ☐ 2 Sleepwear
- ☐ 2 Bathing Suits
- ☐ 1 raincoat/poncho
- ☐ underwear
- ☐ toiletries
- ☐ laundry bag
- ☐ sheets, pillow
- ☐ blanket/sleeping bag
- ☐ 4 Towels
- ☐ 2 pair tennis shoes
- ☐ 1 pair river shoes
- ☐ Boat Cushion or stadium seat
- ☐ Lifejacket
- ☐ 1 cup and plate
- ☐ 1 bandanna
- ☐ 1 33 gal Garbage Bag

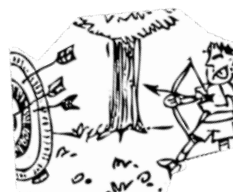
Optional

- ☐ Tennis Racquet/Balls
- ☐ Fishing Equipment
- ☐ Riding Boots/Hat
- ☐ Flashlight & batteries
- ☐ Insect repellent
- ☐ Sunscreen
- ☐ Camera (name-tagged)
- ☐ Stamped Postcards
- ☐ Band-aids
- ☐ Battery Powered Fan

What Not to Bring

- X Watches
- X Plastic Drawers or shelves
- X Tablets/iPads
- X Music Players
- X Plug in Fans
- X Knives
- X Expensive Jewelry
- X Cell Phones
- X Computers

Your name should be clearly marked
on all items brought to camp!



Helpful Hints



FOOTLOCKER: Be sure your trunk is not more than 15 ½ inches high so it will fit under your bed. You may also use duffel bags or a suitcase if you prefer. Please do NOT bring plastic drawers or furniture.

RIVER SHOES: River Shoes need to be old tie-on or strap-on shoes which you do not mind wearing in the river. Chaco and Teva sandals are great if they fit snugly enough not to come off in the river. Flip-flops and Crocs are NOT good river shoes.

BEDWETTING: All camps with 7 – 12 year old children realize this possibility. Our staff is trained to deal with this situation. If you anticipate this please bring a plastic sheet and extra linens. Please tell your camper to ask their counselor for assistance in discreetly changing their linens if the need arises.

CUP AND PLATE: The Cup and Plate should be washable and are used for outdoor picnics. The bandanna is used as a napkin for outdoor meals. Please do not bring paper products as this defeats the purpose of learning the lessons of environmental awareness and taking care of essential equipment.

RACQUETS, FISHING, & HELMETS: Camp has tennis racquets, fishing poles, and riding helmets but you are welcome to bring your own (with your name on it) if you prefer.

WHITE SHIRT AND SHORTS: The white shirt and white shorts on the what-to-bring list are for the final evening banquet. Light khaki shorts or pants are also acceptable attire for the banquet.

MEDICATIONS: All medications, in original containers, must be turned in to the camp medical staff upon arrival. No medications, other than asthma inhalers, may be kept in the cabin.

NO PACKAGES: Campers may only receive letters. Please share this information with grandparents as well. Letters may be left at camp on Sunday for delivery during the week.

MAIL: Your camper's mailing address at camp is:

Camper's name
125 Strong River Camp Drive
Pinola, MS 39149



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Dear Parents of Strong River Campers,

For some of you this is the first time your child will be away from you. In order to make this a wonderful experience, we would like to offer a few suggestions. Most campers are very excited about coming to camp and begin with a positive attitude. Your attitude and preparation can reassure them.

One "homesick time" at Camp is just after mail call. The homesick camper is often the one who has just received an endearing letter from you. Your correspondence should be matter-of-fact. Leave out how much younger brothers or sisters or pets miss them. Do not write any distressing news. If they need to be informed of anything, a telephone call to camp will be appreciated. Tell your camper there is no problem too small for him/her to talk to us about.

Please don't let your camper bring to camp any expensive toys, iPods, tablets, games, watches, jewelry, knives, cell phones or anything we would need to keep for them. Remember --- **NO FOOD!** A package of candy, gum, or any food that has to be turned in is a terrific disappointment to them - Please tell grandparents this also.

Campers' clothes should be comfortable and well marked. Although campers need to learn responsibility about keeping up with their things, some are devastated when an item is lost, misplaced, or damaged. Prepare them for this responsibility but also for equanimity (a good "Strong River word") in case this happens.

Our medical staff at Strong River is eager to make this a safe, healthy experience. We prefer giving as little medicine as possible. If regular medication is needed, please see that the camper and counselor know to go to the infirmary for it, as no medicines other than asthma inhalers can be kept in cabins. Please bring all medications in their original containers, including vitamins, etc.

We try to have the camper's arrival be the best possible introduction to camp. Please arrive after 3:30 p.m., when camp is ready, with the lemonade bowl and counselors in place.

Your camper should know in writing your plans for picking him/her up. Some are upset when they see other campers leaving and are uncertain about their plans. A post-card with written information is very reassuring to them.

We celebrate birthdays at Strong River by singing to the camper and recognizing them with a special camp ceremony. If you want an individual birthday cake or giant cookie for your camper's cabin, a check for \$10 should be given to the camp office several days in advance.

If there is any information you feel would help make this a better camping experience, please let us know. We are interested in your camper. We enjoy so much our first year campers!... and the campers who return summer after summer truly gain confidence in themselves as they help new campers enjoy the "Strong River Way".

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Important Info

ARRIVAL: Please arrive between 3:30 and 5:30 p.m. We will be getting camp ready for you until 3:30, so please don't arrive early.

DEPARTURE: Please plan to pick up your camper between 8:30 -10:00 a.m. in the morning. Sending your camper a post-card with your plan for picking them up is a great way to reassure them of their departure schedule.

VISITING: A camp session is so short that it does not allow time for visitors. If a camper, or prospective camper, would like to see camp in operation they are invited to visit on Sunday afternoon when campers are arriving for a session.

MEDICATIONS: All medications must be turned in to the camp medical staff upon arrival. No medications, other than asthma inhalers, may be kept in the cabin. Please bring all medications in their original Prescription or over-the-counter containers.

BIRTHDAYS: We celebrate birthdays by singing to the camper and recognizing them with a special ceremony. If you would like to order a homemade birthday cake or giant cookie for your camper's cabin, the cost is \$10.00.

www.StrongRiver.com - Strong River Camp & Farm reserves the right to photograph, video and/or record campers, staff and parents and use these recordings, without compensation, in broadcasts or for sale, reproduction or display via any media - including social media. These recordings are the Camp's property and may be used for informational, educational, promotional or other uses deemed appropriate by the Camp. We will not identify campers by name without parental consent.

MAIL: No Packages! Letters only, please. Your camper's mailing address at camp is:
Camper's name - 125 Strong River Camp Drive - Pinola, MS 39149



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Strong River Health Certificate

Camper's Name _____ Session _____

Date of Birth _____ Boy/Girl _____ Age _____

Address _____

City, ST, Zip _____

Primary Parent Contact Info

Secondary Parent Contact Info

Name _____

Name _____

Relationship to camper: _____

Relationship to camper: _____

Home Phone _____

Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

Work Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

If not available in an emergency, notify:

Name _____ Phone _____

Does your child have any health problems? _____

Is your child on any medications? _____

Bring all medications to camp in original Prescription containers!

Does your child have any wounds which will require dressing/bandaging? _____

(if yes, please bring the necessary supplies)

Allergies: Hay Fever Milk Insect Stings Peanuts Penicillin Other? _____

Are you bringing an Epi-Pen? _____

Are Immunizations current? Yes No

Tetanus ? (e.g. DTaP, Td or Tdap) Yes No Date: _____

If your child was exposed to any communicable disease (Strep throat, Stomach flu, Cellulitis, Pink eye, etc.) in the week prior to coming to camp please notify the camp medical staff at check-in.

Comments: _____

Insurance Company _____ Policy # _____

Physician Name _____ Phone# _____



Please return signed form to camp

Parental Consent and Agreement

Strong River Camp & Farm offers an exciting variety of activities that many children do not encounter in today's urban environment. These include such things as horseback riding, balancing on birling logs in a pond, cooking on an open fire, hiking, hayrides in open wagons, archery, and many activities in the Strong River itself (canoeing, swimming, tubing, a water slide into the river, etc.). We also offer ropes courses with both high and low elements, a climbing wall, a zip line, tree bridges, etc.

The Camp is committed to the safety of its campers and is proud of its record. In addition to general staff training on safety issues, all core staff receive Red Cross certified CPR and First aid training, plus specialized training either in lifeguarding or ropes.

Parents must understand, however, that the nature of these recreational activities will always involve risk of accident and injury. If you desire to restrict your child from participation in any of these specific activities, please attach to this form a written note to that effect.

The Camp maintains an Infirmary with a very limited medical staff. The medical staff stores and dispenses any medications that campers bring with them, and attends to minor injuries such as cuts, bruises, poison ivy, etc. By signing below, parents give permission to the Camp to provide any medical care advised by the medical staff, including referral to a clinic or emergency room if deemed necessary. Parents also acknowledge that they are financially responsible for any medical care beyond that provided by the Camp medical staff at the Infirmary.

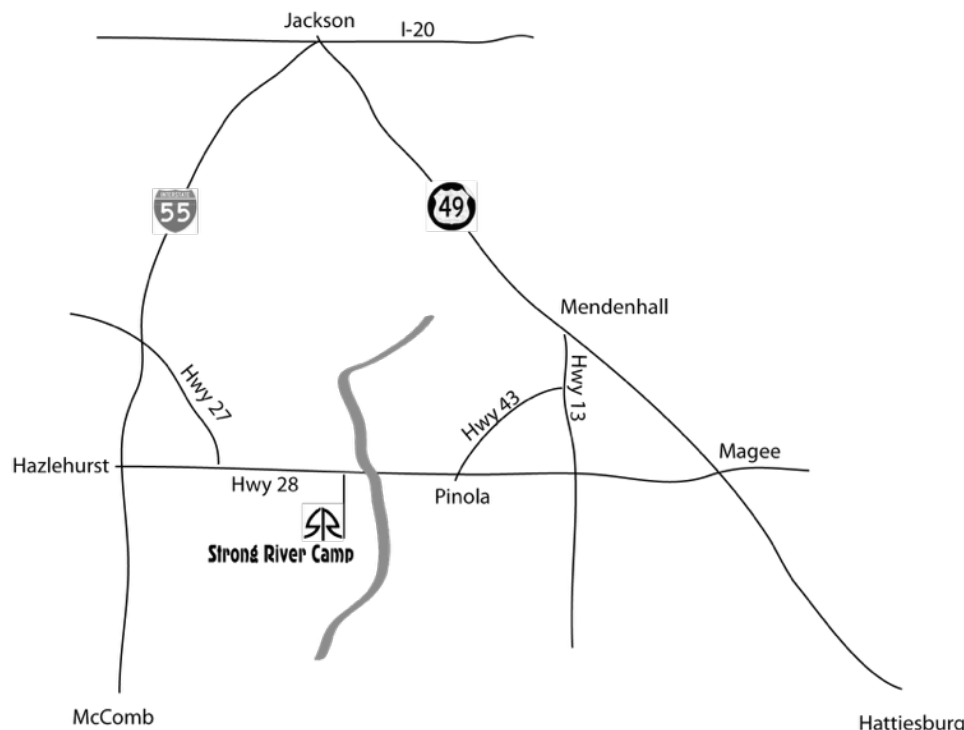
In consideration of the Camp accepting your child as a camper, you acknowledge the risks involved and you hereby accept and assume them; you waive, release, and discharge the Camp from any and all claims for damage of whatever kind, even if such damage is caused by any perceived negligence; you covenant not to bring suit of any kind against the Camp; and you agree to defend, indemnify, and hold the Camp harmless from any claim or suit that might be brought against the Camp by or on behalf of your child. You make these commitments for yourself, your child, your heirs and assigns, and any other person acting for or on behalf of you and/or your child. These protections extend not only to Strong River Camp & Farm but also to its affiliates, owners, officers, employees, agents, and any other person participating in the Camp activity. By signing below, you confirm your agreement to all of these terms and further acknowledge that this agreement is to be construed under Mississippi law.

Name of Child: _____ Session: _____

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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DIRECTIONS TO CAMP



From Jackson: Take Hwy 49 S towards Hattiesburg. After 30 miles take the exit for Hwy 13 S at Mendenhall. After 1.8 miles, turn right onto Hwy 43. After 8 miles, turn right on Hwy 28 W. After 2.5 miles, the camp will be on the left, just after you cross the Strong River bridge. Drive time = 1 Hour.

From Baton Rouge: Take I-12 E to Hammond. At Hammond, take exit 38B for I-55 N towards Jackson. At Hazlehurst, take exit 61 for Hwy 28 and go east for 25 miles. Turn right into Strong River Camp just before the Strong River bridge. Drive Time = 2.5 - 3 hours.

From Monroe: Take I-20 to Vicksburg then follow Hwy 27 S through Utica and Crystal Springs to Georgetown. Turn left at the 4 way stop onto Hwy 28 and go 10 miles. Turn right into Strong River Camp just before the Strong River bridge. Drive Time = 2.5 - 3 hours.

From Gulf Coast or Hattiesburg: Go north on Hwy 49. At Magee, turn left onto Hwy 28 W. Go 18 miles and turn left just after the Strong River bridge. Drive Time = 3 Hours from Coast.

Please try to time your arrival to be after 3:30 on Sunday afternoon, thanks!

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Social Media

There are many ways that Strong River Camp & Farm is old-fashioned. Our cabins are not carpeted and air-conditioned. We eat vegetables and fruits grown on our farm and we make Mississippi Biscuits and rolls from scratch. . .

And our campers don't have smart phones and email available at camp.

We don't Tweet or Instagram or have an official Facebook page. Strong River does have a website - but we want prospective campers to hear about us from former happy campers. That is the way we've operated since 1973 and "word of mouth" has been very good to us.

We are not anti-social media - it is a very handy tool for staying in touch with newly made friends - but we want your camper to learn how to write a real letter and experience the joy of receiving one. We want them to notice nature all around them when they walk from archery to canoeing. And we want them to learn how to be a friend - face to face - and have real conversations.

Best Practices

- Camp Staff are strongly advised not to "friend" campers on Facebook or communicate with campers outside of camp without parent's knowledge and consent.
- The Camp name and logo are trademarked and should not be used by others without permission.
- Even if you are not intending to speak for the Camp, what you portray online is a reflection on Strong River Camp & Farm or could be construed as such.

We ask that you respect Strong River Camp & Farm by:

- Not identifying anyone under the age of 18 by name or tagging photographs online without that person's parents' consent,
- Not representing yourself online as an official Camp spokesperson,
- Moderating any postings related to Camp that your child puts online,
- Not posting online any derogatory, humiliating or demeaning comments about people, our Camp or other camps,
- Agreeing to remove any online postings which the Camp or others find offensive, embarrassing or which don't reflect the "Strong River Way."

Finally, we ask that you report to the Camp any inappropriate social media postings.

We Thank You for your understanding and support of these policies.



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