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Dear Willoway Parent:

We hope that our camper is enjoying this session at Willoway. Our staff and campers seem to be doing really well. We hope that any problems have been handled and if there are any questions, you will contact us at (248)932-2123 or info@willowaydaycamp.com.

In order to clarify our swim tag system, we would like you to be aware of the following criteria:

- Yellow Tag – camper is comfortable in water but needs to gain the proper skills and confidence to enjoy the water safely. We will foster positive attitudes, good swimming habits and safe practices in and around water. Water depth is 2.9 feet
- Red Tag – camper is comfortable in the water and has the beginnings of true locomotion skills. Camper is asked to independently “swim” (feet cannot touch the bottom of the pool) 2 widths (80 feet) of the red water area. Water depth is 3.4 feet
- Blue Tag – camper is comfortable and more confident in the water than Red Tag and has the beginnings of basic skills. A Blue Tag swimmer has the skills and maturity (emotionally and physically) to assume some independence in the water. Camper will be asked to swim at least 4 widths (160 feet). Water depth is 3.6-5 feet.
- White Tag – camper is showing stroke proficiency in the front crawl and/or breast stroke with proper breathing technique. Camper is asked to demonstrate a “breathing stroke” for 2 lengths of the pool (150 feet) and then will be asked to swim 4 more lengths (300 feet) to demonstrate the endurance necessary for deep water swimming. Water depth is 10 feet.
- Black Tag – camper shows stroke proficiency in the free style, breast stroke, and the side stroke. Camper will demonstrate the ability to swim these strokes 6 lengths of the pool (450 feet) and then be asked to swim 8 more lengths of their choice (600 feet) with 5 minutes of treading to show the endurance necessary before lake activities can be started.
- Black Star – camper will show maximum stroke perfection in the breast, crawl, side and back strokes and other strokes. Camper will practice swim strokes and underwater swim during rest period and be at least 9 years old.

BLACK TAG AND BLACK STAR SWIMMERS ARE ALLOWED TO UTILIZE THE LAKE PROGRAM – sailing, torpedoing, tubing, and water skiing. ALL CAMPERS UTILIZE OUR PONTOON BOATS.

Using solar and fossil heat, our pool temperature is maintained at 82 degrees or above.

As a reminder, PLEASE DO NOT SEND CHILDREN TO CAMP WITH OPEN-TOED SHOES. We also request that you do not send candy, gum or toys. PLEASE NAME TAG ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING THAT YOUR CHILD BRINGS TO CAMP (CLOTHING, BATHING SUIT, SHOES, GOGGLES.....)

We hope that this will answer many of your questions. We’re looking forward to a great summer!

Arnie, Lorraine, Jonathon & Jason