

# FAMILY CAMP ORIENTATION PACKAGE

Dear Evans Lake Camper,

Family Camp is just around the corner so we thought we'd write you a letter to properly prepare for your upcoming adventure! This should give you a good idea of what to expect. We are excited to help you discover Evans Lake as a family!

## THIS PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- A Snapshot of the Program
- An Event Schedule
- A Packing List
- Transportation & Meals
- Camp Rules & Expectations
- Social Media Policy

## A SNAPSHOT OF THE PROGRAM:

Welcome! This weekend will focus on discovering Evans Lake together as families.

Family camp is a three-day event that draws its fun out of the people and the place. Our program aims to connect families with each other through a weekend of camp classics. Open to all ages, guided sessions are geared towards adult-accompanied little ones, or children testing out their independence in a safe outdoor environment. Amongst the activity choices, there is space for your family to pick the path best suited to make this a memorable weekend together.



	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	
7:30	<div style="border: 1px solid gray; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 5px;"> <b>REC TIME/FREE CHOICE - ACTIVITIES</b>                      LIKE SWIMMING, CANOEING, ARCHERY,                      LOW ROPES, ROCK-CLIMBING, FIELD                      GAMES                 </div> <div style="border: 1px solid gray; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 5px;"> <b>GUIDED SESSIONS - INCLUDES STAFF-LED</b>                      CANOEING, FOREST EXPLORATIONS (ECO                      FUN) &amp; SENSORY TOURS, ENVIRONMENTAL                      CRAFTS                 </div> <div style="border: 1px solid gray; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 5px;"> <b>MORNING ACTIVITIES - INCLUDES TOTS</b>                      WALK, POLAR BEAR SWIM                 </div> <div style="border: 1px solid gray; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 5px;"> <b>ADULT EVENING PROGRAM - STAFF-</b>                      LED SOCIAL &amp; WIND DOWN ACTIVITIES                 </div> <div style="border: 1px solid gray; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 5px;"> <b>FINAL FAVOURITES - A CHANCE TO</b>                      CIRCLE BACK TO YOUR FAVOURITE                      ACTIVITIES                 </div>	Morning Activities	Morning Activities	
8:00		Breakfast	Breakfast	
8:30				
9:00				Weekend Closing
9:30			Lunch	Lunch
10:00				
10:30				
11:00				
11:30			Dinner	<div style="border: 1px solid gray; padding: 5px;"> <b>NOTE:</b>                      - PLEASE ARRIVE BETWEEN                      4:30-5:00PM AS WE CANNOT                      ACCOMMODATE EARLY ARRIVALS                      - SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE                 </div>
12:00				
12:30		Family Flex Time		
1:00				
1:30				
2:00				
2:30				
3:00				
3:30		End of Programming		
4:00				
4:30		End of Programming		
5:00				
5:30	Dinner			
6:00				
6:30				
7:00				
7:30				
8:00				
8:30				
9:00				
9:30	End of Programming			

We acknowledge that Evans Lake is located at Ch'iyakmesh on the unceded territory of the Squamish First Nation.

## PACKING LIST:

As families, you're probably experts, but here are our suggestions:

### EACH CAMPER SHOULD BRING:

- Pillow
- Sleeping Bag
- Pajamas
- Toiletries
- Bath towel, washcloth
- Adequate pairs of socks & underwear
- 1 pair runners
- 1 pair of flip flops
- 1 pair of shorts
- 1 pair of long pants
- 2 T-shirts and tank-tops
- 1 Long-sleeved shirt
- 1 Sweatshirt
- 1 Swimsuit and towel
- 1 Warm sweater
- 1 Hat
- Sunscreen
- Water bottle
- Sunglasses

**Note:** Please mark your name on your belongings. Lost & Found will be held for a maximum of two weeks.

**Please do not bring:** Alcohol, drugs, very expensive or hard to replace items, and food items (including gum).

## ROLE OF EVANS LAKE STAFF

The Evans Lake staff team will be here to guide the programs throughout the weekend! Our schedule will allow parents to pick activities that are best suited to their family, and our staff can preview what is coming up to help with that. Campers 0-6 years-old require parent supervision at all times.



## ARRIVAL, DEPARTURE & MEALS

**Arrive:** Between 4:30PM - 5:00PM on Friday

**Depart:** By 4:00PM on Sunday

### Meals & Snacks Included:

- Saturday- Dinner, an evening snack/appetizers
- Sunday- Breakfast, lunch, afternoon snack, dinner and an evening snack/appetizers
- Monday- Breakfast, lunch
- If your infant requires baby food, please BYOBF :)

## TRANSPORTATION

Full directions to Evans Lake are available on our website — [www.evanslake.com](http://www.evanslake.com)

Upon arrival, families will be directed to an unloading area, and shown where they can park their vehicle. **Note:** The final 1.5 kilometres of the trip is on the Levette Lake Forest Service Road. Drivers are advised to travel slowly (15 km/hr) as it is a single-lane road.

## CAMP RULES & EXPECTATIONS

Family Camp involves living in a small community setting for the weekend. In order to ensure the quality of experience for everyone, we expect all family campers to treat each other, the staff, and camp property with respect.

Families should review the following rules and expectations prior to arrival at camp:

- The Evans Lake Forest Education Society is proud to uphold human rights, we value the inclusion of all members of our community, and we strive to create a fun environment for everyone to explore forests.
- Campers are expected to follow the instructions of camp leaders.
- Camp is a positive and inclusive space. As such, verbal abuse, physical aggression, harassment and bullying are not permitted.
- **Pets** are NOT permitted at Evans Lake Forest Education Centre, with the exception of certified assistance animals.
- **Smoking/Vaping/Alcohol/Cannabis Policy:** Family Camp is a dry event. Cannabis use at Evans Lake is not permitted, as we are child primary-use facility. Smoking, vaping, or consuming drugs is not permitted at any time.
- **Peanuts & Tree Nuts:** Due to extreme food allergies, peanuts and tree nuts are not permitted at Evans Lake.

### BRAND VISION/ PROMISE

We are committed to **INSPIRING** youth  
By providing **OUTDOOR** experiential opportunities  
Instilling **CORE VALUES** and a **RESPECT** for the **FOREST**  
and the **ENVIRONMENT**  
We **EMPOWER** and **EDUCATE** leaders of the future  
In a **CHALLENGING, SOCIAL** and more importantly  
**FUN** natural setting

### VISION STATEMENT

Evans Lake - Your Home in the Forest!  
Evans Lake - The Ultimate Camp Experience

### MEMORIES TO LAST A LIFETIME

Remember that camp is a judgment free space where all campers can have the most fun possible. Naturally, we are going to be doing some fun activities. We ask that you respect other campers and their privacy when posting photos from this camp on social media. We will post some photos on our Flickr, Instagram and Facebook pages after the event.

