

Summer 2023 Camper Evaluation Summary

Week 1

Program

Staff were enthusiastic. Some staff were seen as shy but appreciated for their childcare skills. Parents would have appreciated some more guidance/confidence at the overnight prep meeting. Night Games should be for 10+ only so there is less having to wait for "their turn". Campers appreciated open afternoons for independent family activities. Campers liked opportunity to mingle with others (ex. Dishwashing duties) and wanted more structured opportunities to meet other parents throughout the week.

Maintenance

Campers would appreciate an extra sweep of the exteriors of the cabins/doors for cobwebs. Campers felt the showers were in poor condition.

Kitchen

Food was well received, comments like "best the food has ever been".

Particular favourites were: rhubarb strawberry crisp, salads/fruit options at meals.

Staff Shout-Outs

Special shout-outs to Pam and Desiree in the kitchen, Cora, Tyler, Claire, Ellie, Kiera, Jude, Eliana, Breland and Dru.

Week 2

<u>Program</u>

Campers wanted more structured family outings/hikes (ex. Bear den) though the bison safari was noted as being a long drive. Campers loved the family paddles while some felt the initial Waterfront Orientation was a little lacking in canoe instructions. Parents loved the adult painting activity. Kids program leaders were well loved and enthusiastic, helped kids out of their shells.

<u>Maintenance</u>

Bathrooms were clean. Mixed reviews on the comfortableness of the mattresses.

Suggestion to put a saucer style swing where the tire swing used to be.

<u>Kitchen</u>

Campers loved that their special dietary needs were met.

Staff Shout-Outs

No special by name shout-outs but all positive comments about staff in general.

Week 3

Program

Campers liked the variety of programs available. Some felt the evening activities started too late for kids. Some returning campers would like some new activities, ex. Not just capture the flag. Campers wanted more guided morning activities for adults ex. Hikes. And active activities ex. Volleyball

Maintenance

Washhouse could always use a touch up (ex. Wooden slats replaced), more fans in rooms.

<u>Kitchen</u>

Lack of milk at meals noted.

Staff Shout-Outs

Claire. Pam and Jessie.

Week 4

Program

Campers loved swimming activities; it was even suggested to have swimming lessons offered. Family hikes were missed. Campers wanted to have more hikes in general. Suggestion to add more campfires. Campers loved the frith picnic though some felt the group games were too advanced for age level. Campers would like to know more history about Camp Wasaga at adult orientation night.

Maintenance

Showers need updating. Multiple comments on bathrooms seeming old. Cobwebs around cabins were noted to be a problem.

<u>Kitchen</u>

Campers were thankful to have veggie and gluten free options available. Suggestion to add fish.

Timing of meals was perfect for schedule.

Staff Shout-Outs

No special by name shout-outs but all positive comments about staff in general.

Week 5

Program

Campers felt there wasn't as many activities offered this year. Suggestion to add additional family crafts/activities, hikes. Some felt the night hike was dangerous as it was very dark. Mixed reviews on whether or not the staff was good at adapting to rainy weather conditions. Lack of rainy day activities ex game night, movie night etc. Campers enjoyed the hike to town.

Campers noted that safety was #1 priority for staff, much appreciated.

<u>Maintenance</u>

Bathrooms noted as needing a refresh but cleaner than previous years. Cabins were noted to be clean and well stocked.

<u>Kitchen</u>

Campers noted that this week always runs out of options for ice cream in canteen.

Staff Shout-Outs

Celeste, LITs in general, Brodie, Ellie, Aiden, Tyler. Special shout-outs to staff handling any incidents with respect, confidentiality and professionalism.