

Things to Bring (Proper Gear)

We look forward to having you at our Raised At Full Draw Camp this year! The following information will ensure that you will have everything you need at camp this year: *****PLEASE LABEL ALL GEAR WITH FIRST AND LAST NAME*****

- Medications – (no glass please) - these will need to be checked in with the camp nurse at check-in
- Tent (with stakes and rain fly, for stormy conditions)
- Sleeping bag and pad, pillow
- Personal items: clothing, extra socks, etc. (enough for 4 days)
- Warm jacket for mornings and evenings
- Hiking Boots or Sturdy, CLOSED-TOED shoes for being outside
- Rain gear
- Towel and Bathing suit for showering (flip flops in shower)
- Toiletries/Personal Items (shampoo, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant)
- Camp chair
- Insect repellent, Sunscreen, Lip balm
- Flashlight or headlamp and extra batteries
- Watch (you will not have your phone)

Optional Items

- Archery equipment ie Bow, arrows, hip/quiver, release etc.
(If you are bringing your own bow, please have it in a case. Including all accessories, finger tab/release, arrows with field points, NO broad heads allowed)
- 12 matching arrows (if you are bringing own archery equipment)
- Compass
- GPS unit
- Daypack (used to carry water and snacks around camp and 3D trail)
- Personal Game Calls
- Camera
- Cash, if you want to purchase items at the end of camp (shirts)

***** Important** - Please contact RAFD immediately if you do not have any of the items listed on the "what to bring" list of proper gear. We may be able to help you out, however we will need to know as soon as possible in order to accommodate.

CANCELLATION. All cancellations must be made six weeks prior to the camp start date. Cancellations after six weeks will be considered donations to camp and are non-refundable. Emergency cancellations will be considered and reviewed on a case by case situation.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

*****NO CAMPERS/FAMILIES WILL BE ALLOWED INTO CAMP PRIOR TO 12 pm, noon.** Check in will be from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm on Thursday. Campers need to stop at the check-in table when they arrive at camp. All medications and special accommodations will be reviewed at this point. Parents are allowed and encouraged to stay and help their child set-up their tents and campsite (we want your child to feel comfortable). *If your child has never been to camp, please arrive between 12-1:00 pm.* If you have been to camp before, we suggest arriving between 1pm - 2pm. This is not mandatory, just a helpful suggestion.

All meals, drinks and snacks will be provided beginning with lunch on Thursday and concluding with lunch on Sunday. Campers can be picked up any time after noon on Sunday. An awards ceremony and lunch will be provided at noon and parents are welcome and encouraged to join. At registration please let us know if you will be able to attend the awards ceremony to account for meals. Parents have the option to shoot with their campers after the award show. Instructors and volunteers will be throughout the course to supervise. Please NO trick shots or broad heads. Take advantage of this time to have fun shooting with your child. Course will be closed at approximately 4 pm.

Camp Address: Haymarsh Hunt Club, Michigan

Morley, Michigan: 11959 Jefferson Rd, Morley, MI 49336

The Haymarsh is west, centrally located in Michigan. We are 45 minutes north of Grand Rapids.

RAFD - RULES AND POLICIES

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE NOT ALLOWED AT CAMP

- Electronics (video games, iPods, etc.) Cell phones will be allowed, but will be checked in at the beginning of camp. Phones will be checked out for limited use to make contact with family at specified times during camp.
- Alcohol, tobacco, or drugs of any kind. **NO knives or leathersmans**, firearms, short shorts, Low-cut or cropped tops
- Showers are provided, even though inside, kids may feel more comfortable showering with a bathing suit on (this is the only place bathing suits will be permitted).
- RAFD camp does not have a dress code. However, if we feel that clothing is inappropriate in any way, we may ask the clothing to be changed. If the camper disagrees they can be asked to be excused from camp.

BEHAVIORAL EXPECTATIONS

- No bullying, name calling, or foul language.
- Respect your peers, volunteers and property.
- Use the buddy system. Stay in groups of at least 3 people.
- No boys and girls in tents together. (Unless they are siblings)
- No boys in the girls shower area, and vice versa.
- No game calls after lights out - camp often provides things that make noise (Turkey /deer calls, etc...)
- Lights out at 10:30 pm unless camp programs run later.
- We need to be very respectful of the land we are camping on, therefore we ask that campers clean up after themselves and after each other. Especially around their camping area.

All campers are expected to behave in a respectful manner while at camp. If at any point a child has broken the camp rules or demonstrates unacceptable behavior, they may be sent home from camp. Please alert the RAFD staff and volunteers of any issues that may arise. We understand that kids may get homesick, but we will not allow phone calls to home except during specified times, or in case of an emergency. Volunteers/Supervisors will be available around the clock, if needed.

ZERO TOLERANCE FOR THE FOLLOWING BEHAVIORS (CAN BE SENT HOME IMMEDIATELY)

- NO Co-ed tents (unless it is brother/sister), NO male/female physical conduct
- Fighting or harassment of any kind
- Unsafe handling of archery equipment. At NO times should others be in harm due to careless behavior.**
- Alcohol, tobacco, or drug use
- For all other infractions volunteers are trained to discipline in a "three strikes" manner.
- Strike 1:** Volunteers will document the situation and talk to the camper. They will be informed of what they did was wrong and why. In some cases, the camper may be asked to sit out of an activity for a period of time.
- Strike 2:** Again, the volunteer will document the incident. At this time, the camper and volunteer may draft a behavior agreement where they discuss the problem and list ways to correct the problem as well as the consequences of further misconduct. This document will be signed by both the camper and the volunteer.
- Strike 3:** The camper's parents will be notified that the child must be picked up as soon as possible and not be returned to camp.

MEDICATION/SPECIAL NEEDS

All medication must be checked in with the camp nurse when campers arrive on Thursday. Please indicate any special instructions at that time. In certain cases, the camp nurse may be in contact with you prior to camp if the camper's registration indicated that special accommodations may be needed. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the RAFD prior to camp.

Any camper with dietary restrictions that may need to bring their own food must check those items in at check in on Thursday. Those items will be stored securely in the kitchen area.

Questions or comments please contact Michigan Host Family, Ashely/ Ben Covey: (989) 352-7050 or RAFDmichigan@gmail.com

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