



# Camp Choconut

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Dear Parent,

Hello and thank you for considering Camp Choconut. We are actively engaged in preparations for our 86<sup>th</sup> season here at Choconut. The rich heritage and time-tested traditions are part of what makes Camp Choconut unique and a perfect camp choice for your son. We continue to develop and add challenging new programs and activities each year, to our popular six-week Camp Craft program. This wildly popular program features such traditional outdoor activities that include, back-packing/trail discovery, knife/hatchet safety, fire building, tent and tarp set-up, knot tying, outdoor cooking, orienteering/compass use, and more!

Our unique canoeing activities, swimming program, and boating are favorites and are available to all boys who pass the required lake safety test (safety is always first here at Camp!). Of course for those boys already experienced in some of these areas, we will work on proficiency and new ways for them to test their limits and gain greater satisfaction and self-confidence – all while having FUN!

Our camp philosophy is to “grow the whole boy.” We try to find creative and entertaining ways to educate and challenge each boy, every day. Part of that growth process includes FUN, and we at Camp Choconut really know how to have fun. Consider Camp Choconut’s Big Games. They include: Flour Bomb War, Choconut Olympics, the Choconut Triathlon, the War of 1812, the Choconut Overnight, and the very exciting, camp-wide Counselor Hide-n-Seek game. Of all the games we play, the biggest and most anticipated asked-for game we have is the three-day long – VILLA HUNT! This is the game that will be remembered and talked about for a very long time!

The older or more experienced campers will have the opportunity to go on a 4-day/3-night canoe trip where we focus on canoe and camping skills. Sharing in this activity results in strong, lasting relationships among the boys. Our younger campers may experience a 3-day/2-night trip to a State Park (Ricketts Glenn State Park) to explore nature, learn outdoor survival basics, and learn how to work as a team. All this is on top of our weekly overnight or multi-night hikes.

We are very excited about the 2010 season. Our knowledgeable and experienced staff, combined with innovative and engaging activities, will make for a summer filled with adventure, new skills and close friends. We’re happy you are thinking of having your son join the Choconut family.

Enclosed are our 2010 schedule and fees, as well as the Parent Information Packet to help you get a jump on registering your son. We offer significant discounts for early registration and referrals. I hope you will take advantage of both. It would be my pleasure to talk with you if you have any questions after looking over this material. In addition, I would be more than happy to provide you with references from parents of former Choconut campers.

Sincerely,

Fred Lorber  
Director, Camp Choconut