

# SAFETY SUMMER GAMP on North Long Lake Brainerd, MN



THE MINNESOTA AMERICAN LEGION

In Conjunction with: Minnesota Department of Public Safety Minnesota Department of Natural Resources **AAA** of Minnesota



#### **PURPOSE**

Legionville is a safety educational center. Quality instruction in the correct school safety patrol methods is provided by Safety Education Officers of the Minnesota State Patrol, as well as safety classes in other areas, such as swimming, canoeing and first aid. Our program has been recognized by the National Safety council as one of the outstanding traffic safety promotion programs in the country.

Students who will be 9 years old before September 1<sup>st</sup> and not older than 13 years will be accepted.

Exceptions to this restriction can be made but **must be** cleared in advance through our St. Paul office.

# SPONSORSHIP & FUNDING FOR CAMPERS

While camper funding may be provided by American Legion Posts, SAL Squadrons or Auxiliary Units, it is not required. Others sponsors who send campers to Legionville may be service organizations such as PTAs, JCs, Kiwanis, Lions, Labor Organizations, business firms, church organizations, individuals, villages, or the like. **Parents can also choose to sponsor and pay for their own children.** 

It is recommended that sponsors also select alternates to attend Legionville in case of emergency cancellation. If circumstances arise that make it impossible for the candidate to attend camp, a substitute should be found as a replacement. This responsibility is that of the parent, as well as the local school patrol chairman. We also recommend that at least two members of a patrol be sent together to help reduce the chance of homesickness.

#### REGISTRATION

The registration fee is \$500.00 per camper. Registration is completed by the parent/guardian online. For more registration information, go to www.legionville.org.

Camper registration as well as required forms will all be completed online. If another entity is paying the tuition, a coupon code will be provided by the sponsor for the parent to use during the checkout process. Enrollment will be limited to 154 campers each week. Sponsors may select the session they wish to have their students attend as long as there are vacancies; otherwise, registrations will be on a "first come, first served" basis. Assignments will be made by the Legionville Educational Center. Sponsors will be advised of the dates of reservation. Parents/guardians are asked to remain flexible and understanding relative to their children's assignment.

#### REGISTRATION IS NOT COMPLETE UNTIL

the registration and all required forms are completed online and the fee has been received by the St. Paul office (either through the online program or directly from a sponsoring organization). Sponsors will be notified when registrations are complete.

DO NOT SEND CAMPERS TO LEGIONVILLE UNLESS REGISTRATION CONFIRMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED.

#### TIME & PLACE

The Legionville Camp will open at the beginning of June and will have sessions running every week through the first week of August. The only exception to this is the week of July 4<sup>th</sup>, as the camp will be closed for the holiday. All weeks will be co-ed with three cabins of boys and four cabins of girls.





### **ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE**

IMPORTANT - Campers attending their assigned session should make every attempt to arrive on the designated Sunday between 3:00 PM and 5:00 PM. (Do not arrive before 3:00 PM as the camp staff will not be available for check-in before that.) Please make sure daily medications and canteen money are in hand during check-in.

Parents, guardians, sponsors, drivers, etc. are encouraged to come to Legionville on Friday for our camp graduation ceremony at 11:00 AM. Following the ceremony, campers will be free to check out with you to return home.

Departure or check-out from Legionville is scheduled from 11:30 AM until 12:00 noon on Friday. For this or any other concerns regarding arrival or departure, please feel free to call Legionville at 218-270-3108. It must be emphasized that all campers must check out in the office before leaving Legionville at the end of the week.

#### GENERAL

Legionville is open to all children regardless of race, color or national origin. Over \$3,000,000.00 has been invested in Legionville by The Minnesota American Legion throughout the years. It is the only camp of its kind in the US. Each year additional work is done on the facilities to make sure that each camper's experience is a good one.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

The sponsor/parent is responsible for coordinating transportation of campers to and from Legionville. This is not included in the registration fee.

Sponsors and parents are encouraged to double check the means of transportation to be used in returning the students from Legionville. Past experience has shown that, in some instances, patrols are stranded at Legionville because of confusion in the pick-up arrangements. This can be a real problem for the student, especially after a week at camp. We suggest that communities pool transportation with other communities in their area.

### **INSURANCE**

The sponsor is responsible for sufficient liability or insurance to cover possible accidents resulting in bodily injury or property damage while traveling to and from Legionville. The Legionville Educational Center assumes the cost, to a maximum of \$2,000.00, for any medical expenses arising out of accidental injury incurred while at the Center, not covered by other insurance.

### **HEALTH & MEDICAL**

A Health History is required of each student by a Parent/ Guardian as part of the registration process. **These forms are to be completed online.** The registration form with the camper's health history, immunization record and family health insurance information should be completed and submitted prior to the camper's arrival at Legionville. The camp has its own "Sick Bay" house and first aid equipment. Hospital facilities are just 8 miles away in Brainerd, MN. Any special medical needs should be noted on the camp registration form. Every precaution is taken to avoid accidents and prevent illnesses. All state health standards are met or exceeded.

## MAIL, EMAIL & TELEPHONE

Telephone calls of an emergency nature can be placed to Legionville during any hour of any day or night by calling 218-270-3108. During the camp sessions, at times when the office is not staffed, calls will be forwarded to the Camp Manager. Due to the number of campers attending Legionville each week and our business use of the telephone, we cannot allow campers to use the telephone at their convenience. Parents are asked to encourage their camper to write postcards or letters as an alternative. Experience has shown that well meaning phone calls from parents tend to encourage homesickness and make the week more difficult for the camper.

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## MAIL, EMAIL & TELEPHONE (CONT.)

"Mail Call" is always a very important part of the camper's day. We encourage you to mail cards and letters to your child. Letters to students or staff should have the following address:

#### Name c/o Legionville Camp 9544 Legionville Road Brainerd, Minnesota 56401

E-mail can be sent to campers at: campermail@legionville.org

and MUST be limited to 1 email per day. Only 1 email will be printed out and handed out with the regular mail received for campers. Please combine greetings from other family members into that one email. Make sure that the campers name and cabin number (if known) are included in the subject line of the email. Campers do NOT have access to the computer and can NOT reply to email messages. No electronic greeting cards will be accepted.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

There are no additional charges at Legionville, but there is a Canteen with the usual items of candy, souvenirs, cards, stamps, sweatshirts and t-shirts for sale -- so campers may bring spending money, which will be checked-in for safekeeping at the Administration Office.

Each camper will be given our weekly newspaper, "The Legionville Bugle" when they check out. This publication will highlight the weekly events and serve as a great souvenir from Legionville.

#### **PROGRAM**

Legionville is an educational center, initially created for school patrol and bus patrol officers. While school safety training is the primary program, students will also be attending classes in first aid, canoeing and swimming. Recreation and athletics are also woven into the daily activities to ensure a diversity of the total program and to keep each session interesting and fun. Americanism, good citizenship and sportsmanship are encouraged in a pleasant and entertaining manner.

## The following is an example of a normal daily schedule at Legionville:

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7:30- 8:10 A.M.	Campers roll out of bed and prepare for the day's activities
8·10- 8·30 A M	Inspection
	Flag Raising
	Breakfast
	Prepare for Classes
9:30-10:05 A.M.	•
11:00-11:35 A.M.	
11:45-12:20 P.M.	Fourth Class*
12:30- 1:00 P.M.	Lunch
1:00- 1:30 P.M.	Rest Period
1:30- 1:40 P.M.	Mail Call
1:40- 2:30 P.M.	Canteen
2:30- 3:45 P.M.	Afternoon Recreation
4:00- 5:10 P.M.	Recreational Swimming
5:25- 5:30 P.M.	Flag Lowering
5:30- 6:00 P.M.	Dinner
6:00- 6:30 P.M.	Rest Period
6:30- 7:45 P.M.	Canteen and Activities
8:00- 9:45 P.M.	Evening Program
10:15 P.M.	Lights Out
	7:30- 8:10 A.M. 8:10- 8:30 A.M. 8:30- 8:35 A.M. 8:35- 9:00 A.M. 9:00- 9:20 A.M. 9:30-10:05 A.M. 10:15-10:50 A.M. 11:00-11:35 A.M. 11:45-12:20 P.M. 12:30- 1:00 P.M. 1:00- 1:30 P.M. 1:30- 1:40 P.M. 1:40- 2:30 P.M. 2:30- 3:45 P.M. 4:00- 5:10 P.M. 5:25- 5:30 P.M. 5:30- 6:00 P.M. 6:00- 6:30 P.M. 6:30- 7:45 P.M.

\*NOTE: The four classes that campers attend during the morning are Pedestrian Safety, First Aid, Canoeing and Swimming.

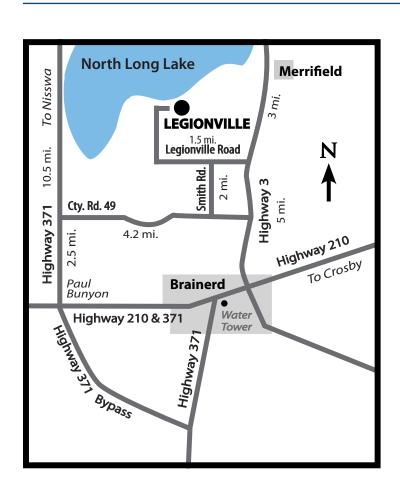




**LEGIONVILLE** is a training center with a definite purpose. Safety training is emphasized in a manner which is readily accepted and retained by the patrols. At the end of the week, the Minnesota Highway Patrol Safety Officer will give each student an examination covering the school patrol and safety lessons taught while at the training center. Each camper who completes the program and passes the examination will receive a Certificate of Graduation in recognition of completion.

After spending a week at Legionville, our hope is that each camper will return to their community as a dedicated and well-trained safety ambassador.

While campers are present, Legionville has a full staff on site to include camp manager, coordinator, counselors, instructors, kitchen staff, and nurses. The health and safety of our campers is of the highest priority and all staff work together to ensure it is a safe and friendly environment for everyone!



## LEGIONVILLE

on North Long Lake, Crow Wing County Brainerd, MN

#### **CAMP ADDRESS**

9544 Legionville Road • Brainerd, MN 56401

#### **MAILING ADDRESS**

(Prior to Camp Opening & All Other Communications)

Legionville Camp c/o The American Legion 20 W 12th Street • Room 300A St. Paul, MN 55155-2000

> Phone: 651-291-1800 Fax: 651-291-1057

information@legionville.org

Emergency Camp Phone: 218-270-3108

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