

YOUTH BRIDGE CAMP 2023

Sunday, July 30 to Friday, August 4, 2023

Thank you for your interest in Youth Bridge Camp 2023.

For the past 14 years 300+ rising 6th–10th graders (from 19 states) spent a week at a residential camp, learning about bridge, themselves, and the world around them. Moms and dads have commented that having the kids in an intense bridge-learning environment for a whole week with other kids their own age, balanced with lots of fun activities, was a maturing experience they all wished they had as kids.

We are focused on youth who are interested in learning how to play bridge or interested in improving their existing game. We offer multi-level, play-as-you-learn instruction as well as daily ACBL sanctioned (duplicate and Swiss Team) tournaments with the opportunity to earn silver masterpoints. Our instructors have many years of teaching experience and are accomplished duplicate bridge players.

Please note, for campers to receive credit for silver masterpoints earned, they must be ACBL members. Go to acbl.org/juniors to learn more about membership in the ACBL organization.

Youth Bridge Camp is held at Lake Williamson, a retreat center that features air-conditioned accommodations in motel and dorm style lodging, with cafeteria style buffet meals.

(Note: Though held at a Christian Retreat Center, our camp does not have a religious component)

Balancing the learning sessions, we also have indoor/outdoor recreation that includes gym sports, ping pong, archery, billiards, 9-square, black-light dodgeball, miniature golf and more. Campers will also enjoy access to pool and lake activities where they can ride the plunge slide down twists and turns, get launched off the famous water blob, climb the iceberg, jump on the water trampoline, relax on the sand, go canoeing or ride on a paddleboat. Lifeguards are on duty always. A sample schedule is included in this application.

Camper fee is just \$450, and we have a limit of 40 campers. The postmark date of your completed application packet will determine your camper's place on the list.

Scholarship money is available. If you wish to request financial aid, please indicate yes on the application. Camper must submit a one-page letter with the title "Why I Want to Go to Youth Bridge Camp?" Include letter with the application.

Other optional expenses might include the linen bundle – sheets, blanket, pillow, towel, and washcloth. Details will be available in the camper information packet received after registration. This bundle costs \$15.

We will follow the Covid-19 protocols for ACBL tournaments and reigning governmental regulations at the time of the camp.

Camper registration deadline and final payment due date is July 2 or when we reach maximum capacity.

Additional information about the camp can be found at bridgeisfun.org.

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