

Camp Tapico Behavior Management Policy

Public Act 116 requires Camp Tapico to have and follow a written camper behavior management policy. In order to protect yourself and your Scouts, the following guidelines must be followed.

Communication of Behavioral Expectations

- Behavioral expectations should be discussed with all campers and parents in a Troop pre-camp meeting.
- Discuss the consequences of unacceptable behavior.

Communication With Scouts

- Use positive intervention methodologies.
- Always follow the Youth Protection guidelines
- Speak to Scouts in a calm and straightforward manner.
- When speaking to Scouts regarding their behavior, make sure to identify the specific behaviors you are concerned about.
- Help campers understand and develop positive alternative behaviors, which are appropriate, to replace the unacceptable ones.
- If you are unsuccessful at managing the Scout's behavior, contact the Camp Tapico Administration for assistance.

Consequences

- Apply consequences for unacceptable behavior in a uniform and consistent manner.
- Acceptable consequences of unacceptable behavior include:
 - Quiet time
 - Restriction from activity
 - Restriction to the campsite
 - Repairing any damage as a result of the behavior
 - Cleaning required as a result of behavior
 - Repairing or cleaning activities must be appropriate
 - Conference with the Troop Leadership
 - Conference with Camp Director
 - Conference with Scout's parents
 - Dismissal from camp
- At no time is discipline to include:
 - Depriving a camper of sleep or food
 - Placing a camper alone without supervision
 - Subjecting a camper to ridicule or threat
 - Subjecting a camper to excessive physical exercise or excessive restraint

- **If restraint is required to protect a camper from him or her self or to protect other campers from the camper, only those staff who have received training in the use of restraint may implement the restraint.**

Monitoring

- During daily campsite inspections signs of negative behavior management will be noted.
- Periodic evaluations of program/staff/camper groupings shall be conducted to insure that the camp environment is not contributing to behavior problems.
- Keep the camp director informed of all disciplinary measures. Prepare an unusual incident report.
- All Staff and Adult Leaders will be expected to follow camp procedures explicitly. At no time is a Staff member or Adult Leader to deviate from this policy.

I have read the Camp Tapico Behavior Management Policy and agree to comply with all of the above.

Leader Name: _____ Unit # _____

Leaders Signature: _____

Date: _____ Site: _____ Week # _____