



WELCOME TO CAMP CHOSŎN

Located at

**Camp Lakamaga on Big Marine Lake
Scandia, Minnesota**

www.CampChosŏn.org

Day Camp

Monday, July 1 through Friday, July 5, 2019

Resident Camp

Sunday, June 30 through Friday, July 5, 2019

The St. Croix Valley Korean-American Cultural Society, Inc. invites you to Camp Chosŏn! This non-profit, 501c-3 volunteer organization supports Korean-American children, youth and their families. Most camp participants are adoptees or children of adoptees. Camp Chosŏn is located on the beautiful grounds of Camp Lakamaga, a Girl Scout Camp, just north of St. Paul, Minnesota.

Camp Chosŏn gives participants the opportunity to appreciate Korea's rich culture and to celebrate their tie with Korean heritage. Campers experience the joy of building new friendships that are based on self-esteem and mutual respect. The Camp's rustic, tranquil setting promotes respect, awareness and enjoyment of nature.

Day Camp is offered to children, who enter grades K-6 in the Fall of 2019. An overnight option for campers entering 6th grade is available. On-site Resident Camp is offered to youth entering 7th through 11th grades in the Fall of 2019. Overnight living quarters include troop houses, cabins, and yurts.

Camp Chosŏn is sponsored by the St. Croix Valley Korean-American Cultural Society, Inc. Any use of this document or the name "Camp Chosŏn" without written authorization from the Board of Directors is prohibited.

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Positive Korean Role Models

Knowledgeable and sensitive Koreans and Korean-Americans teach classes at Camp Chosŏn. Most counselors are Korean-American adoptees.

Day Camp Schedule

Day Camp begins daily at 9:00 a.m. with the Cho-Whey family gathering. Monday through Thursday, Day Camp ends at 4:00 p.m. Camp Chosŏn ends Friday after the Closing Ceremony, which occurs from 2:00-3:30.

Day Camp (Grades K-6)

Campers *entering* grades K-6 are exposed to Korean language, culture, storytelling, art, music, traditional dancing and drumming, Taekwondo, self-respect education and adoption issues. Recreational activities include Korean games, archery, and nature hikes.

Day Camp with Overnight Option

To provide a transition or bridge from Day Camp to Resident Camp, an overnight option is offered for children *entering* 6th grade in the Fall of 2019. This option, which occurs on Thursday night, extends the camp experience. Two meals, parent chaperones, and fun activities are included in the registration fee!

Resident Camp (Grades 7-11)

Resident Camp, for youth *entering* 7th grades through 11th grade, offers popular activities such as traditional drumming, sports, canoeing or kayaking, low ropes course, counselor fashion show, and a dance. Resident Camp helps Korean-American adolescents develop positive self-esteem and a sense of community.

Nursery Care

No-cost childcare for pre-K siblings is provided to instructors, parent volunteers and workshop presenters.

Meals

A delicious, home-made Korean lunch is served daily. For Day Campers, lunch is included in the registration fee. Resident Camp registration fees also include all meals, beginning with the evening meal on Sunday. Volunteers and visitors **MUST** purchase meal tickets, either at the time of registration (\$8.00 per meal) or on-site at the Korean Market (\$10.00 per meal).

Day Camp Counselors

If you are interested in becoming a beloved Day Camp Counselor, please review the application found on our website and contact Johnny McGibbon at: jpmcgibbon@gmail.com.

Korean Market

The Korean Market is a Camp Chosŏn favorite! There is a wonderful selection of Korean snacks, Camp Chosŏn logo items, and imported Korean items. There is something for everyone. Market items make wonderful gifts!

Adult Workshops

Camp Chosŏn provides scheduled workshops throughout camp week. Adults are uniquely able to learn about Korean food, culture, traditions, adoption issues, and parenting in a fun, relaxed and supportive setting. These workshops are provided at no cost to participants.

Travel Accommodations

Many families choose to stay close to Camp. Camp Chosŏn has secured preferred rates at local hotels. Please see our website for more information.

Registration Information

Registration Form

Registration forms are located under the *Registration* tab at CampChosön.org/registration. Electronic registration is encouraged; however, printable mail-in forms are also available.

Registration Dates

For planning purposes, registration forms should be post-marked by April 15th. After June 1st, registration cannot be guaranteed.

Registration Fees

The St. Croix Valley Korean-American Cultural Society, Inc. strives to keep Camp Chosön affordable. Fees include one Camp Chosön t-shirt, meals, educational materials, instruction in Korean culture, activities, and the use of Camp Lakamaga's facility and staff. Those who register *before* April 15th will receive the *Early Bird* rate:

\$295 – Day Camp (*entering* grades K-6 in Fall 2019)

\$315 – Day Camp with overnight option (*entering* grade 6 in Fall 2019)

\$515 – Resident Camp (*entering* grades 7-11 in Fall 2019)

After April 15th, each registration fee will increase by \$15. Families with 2 or more campers are permitted to pay fees in two installments. One-half of the fee must be paid at the time of registration, and the second half is due no later than May 31st. In fairness to all families, children will not be allowed at Camp without prior registration and payment.

Financial Assistance

Financial assistance is available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Inquiries should be directed to treasurer@CampChosön.org. All requests are kept confidential and are subject to approval by the Treasurer and Board President.

Registration Confirmation

Within 10 days of submitting a registration application, camp families will be notified by e-mail from registrar@CampChosön.org. Please check your Spam folder for misdirected e-mail. If you do not receive timely confirmation, contact registrar@CampChosön.org or call the Registrar (505-500-8528).

Contributions/Donations

Camp Chosŏn is a not-for-profit organization. Camp is sponsored by and largely run by parent volunteers. If you, or someone you know (e.g., grandparents, philanthropic organizations, business associates) would like to make a tax-deductible contribution to Camp Chosŏn, please make a check payable to St. Croix Valley Korean-American Cultural Society, Inc. (SCVKACS), which is the Camp's legal 501c-3 name. All donations, even gifts-in-kind, are tax deductible in accordance with law and are greatly appreciated. For more information, please contact Fundraising Coordinator, Steve Min, at minxx072@umn.edu.

Cancellation Policy

To cancel your registration, notify the Registrar in writing. Cancellation is effective on the postmark date on your correspondence. All cancellations are subject to a \$50 non-refundable fee per camper. Refunds will be issued within 30 days of written notice. Unfortunately, refunds cannot be issued for cancellations postmarked after May 31st.

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Camp Chosŏn Registrar
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Volunteering

Camp Chosŏn is for adults too! Volunteering is an excellent way for adult family members, including siblings, parents, and grandparents, to experience Camp Chosŏn, share stories, and show commitment to Korean heritage. Each year, more than 100 volunteer positions must be filled. Many positions take only an hour or two of time. Even though registration fees pay for the Camp Lakamaga venue, staff, instructors, Resident Camp Counselors, insurance, and other costs (e.g., curriculum materials), Camp Chosŏn is run entirely by volunteer parents, grandparents, alumni, and Korean-American community members.

To ensure the safety of Campers, all volunteers must undergo an annual background check. So, after you have signed-up for volunteer position(s), complete your Background Check Authorization Form and Participation Waiver found at www.CampChosŏn.org under the *Registration* tab. Join us!