



WELCOME TO CAMP CHOSŎN

Located at the
Association Retreat Center
2372 30th Avenue
Osceola, Wisconsin 54020
www.CampChoson.org

Day Camp
Monday, July 1 through Friday, July 5, 2024

Resident Camp
Sunday, June 30 through Friday, July 5, 2024

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 in northwestern Wisconsin near the beautiful St. Croix River Valley - just 45 minutes east of the Minneapolis-St. Paul metropolitan area.

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 centered on self-esteem and mutual respect. The Camp's rural, tranquil setting promotes respect, awareness and enjoyment of nature.

Day Camp is offered to children, who enter grades K-6 in the fall of 2024. An overnight option for campers entering 6th grade is available. On-site Resident Camp is offered to youth entering 7th through 12th grades in the fall of 2024.

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.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Positive Korean Role Models

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

Day Camp Schedule

Day Camp begins daily at 9:00 a.m. with the Achim Moim (morning meeting) with family. Monday through Thursday, Day Camp ends at 4:00 p.m. Camp Choson ends Friday after the Closing Ceremony, which occurs from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Day Camp (Grades K-6)

Campers entering grades K-6 learn about Korean language, culture, storytelling, art, music, traditional dancing and drumming, taekwondo, self-respect, 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 2024. 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 7-12)

Resident Camp, for youth entering 7th grade through 12th grade, offers popular activities such as traditional drumming, sports, and a dance. Resident Camp helps Korean-American adolescents develop positive self-esteem and a sense of community.

Meals

A delicious homemade Korean lunch is served daily. Lunch is included with each Day Camper registration fee. Resident Camp registration fees also include all meals, beginning with the evening meal on Sunday. Volunteers and visitors, who plan to eat lunch, MUST purchase lunch tickets on the website or on-site at the Korean Market. Lunch tickets that are pre-purchased on the website cost \$10.00 per person. Lunch tickets that are purchased from the Korean Market cost \$12.00 per person.

Day Camp Counselors

If you are interested in becoming a beloved Day Camp Counselor, please complete the application found on the website.

Korean Market

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

Adult Workshops

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

Travel Accommodations

Many families choose to stay close to camp. Camp Choson has secured preferred rates at a local hotel. Please see our website for more information.

VENUE INFORMATION

Camp Chosŏn will be held at the Association Retreat Center in Osceola, Wisconsin. Our new venue offers many new opportunities, including modern dining and restroom facilities, indoor sleeping quarters for campers, a sports court, a swimming lake, and a water slide! Traditional favorites are here too, natural setting, gaga pit, and an archery field.





REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration Form

The registration form is located on the Camp Choson website at www.campchoson.org. Electronic registration is encouraged, however, printable mail-in-forms are available.

Registration Dates

For planning purposes, registration forms should be completed or postmarked by May 15th. After May 31st, registration cannot be guaranteed.

Registration Fees

The St. Croix Valley Korean-American Culture Society, Inc. strives to keep Camp Choson affordable. Fees include one Camp Choson t-shirt, meals, educational materials, instruction in Korean culture, activities, and the use of the camp venue and staff. Those who register before April 1st will receive the Early Bird rate:

- \$414 - Day Camp (entering grades K-6 in fall of 2024)
- \$435 - Day Camp with overnight option (entering grade 6 in fall of 2024)
- \$680 - Resident Camp (entering grades 7-12 in fall of 2024)

On April 1st, each registration fee will increase by \$15.00.



Financial Assistance

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

Contributions/Donations

Camp Choson 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 Choson, please visit our website at www.campchoson.org or make a check payable to St. Croix Valley Korean-American Culture 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 campchosontreasurer@gmail.com.

Cancellation and Refund Policy

To cancel your registration, notify the registrar at campchoson.registrar@gmail.com. Cancellation is effective on the date that registration was completed. The Treasurer will issue refunds according to the following prorated schedule:

Prior to May 31, 2024, 100% refund
May 31 – June 7, 2024, 75% refund
June 8 – June 14, 2024, 50% refund
June 15 – 21, 2024, 25% refund
After June 21, 2024, no refund

Volunteering

Camp Choson is for adults too! Volunteering is an excellent way for adult family members, including siblings, parents, and grandparents, to experience Camp Choson, 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 venue, staff, instructors, resident camp counselors, insurance, and other costs (e.g. curriculum materials), Camp Choson 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.