

Antiochian Village



2016 Camper Parent Information

Dates to Remember

Full tuition payment in order to receive early-bird discount.	Due by March 1.
Requests for financial assistance	Due by March 1.
Full payment due	Due by May 1.
Completed Online Health Form (parent portion)	At least one month prior to arrival.
Physician Authorization Form	At least 14 days prior to arrival.
Send travel information if flying, train or bus	At least 14 days prior to arrival.

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

Christ is in our midst!

We are very excited that you have registered your child (or children) for camp at the Antiochian Village. You are in good company. According to the American Camp Association, millions of kids attend camp each year, and more than 2,300 young people attend camps throughout the Antiochian Archdiocese each summer alone. We appreciate the fact that you are ready to entrust into our care the ones who mean the most in the world to you. We work hard to never take that trust for granted, and feel privileged to be able to partner with you in the spiritual growth of your child.

The following pages contain information vital to your ability to properly prepare your child and your family for camp this summer at the Antiochian Village. We take the safety and well-being of your child as our first priority, and therefore **we ask and expect that you will read each section carefully** so that you can properly prepare your camper for their Village experience, and we can be properly prepared to receive and care for them. This is especially important as we constantly strive to improve our work, and this booklet includes some information which has been changed from previous years.

We look forward to seeing your child at camp this summer here at the Village!

Your servant in Christ,

V. Rev. Anthony G. Yazge
Camp Director



Antiochian Village Mission Statement

The mission of the Antiochian Village is to present to young people a living experience of the Holy Orthodox Faith, in their relationship with God and other campers in an uncluttered, natural environment. To accomplish this we will seek to bring young people to:

- ❖ Awareness of self and fellow man
- ❖ A broadening of their Orthodox life
- ❖ A greater awareness of their religion
- ❖ Good sportsmanship
- ❖ Growth in personal relationships and personal responsibility
- ❖ An appreciation of nature and a concern for the environment

Resources for Parents

We believe that it is important for our camper parents to be informed and to have confidence in our staff and programs. Safety is always a priority for our ministry. We do this by hiring some of the finest young men and women to serve on our staff; through extensive training and education; having a team of professionals from a variety of disciplines to support our ministry; by having at least one full-time Registered Nurse to man our Health Center; and by providing resources for our parents among other things.

We receive our accreditation by the American Camp Association which signifies that we uphold the highest standards for safety and programming in the camping industry. We are visited every three years by a team of accreditation visitors to ensure that we are maintaining these standards for excellence.

We encourage you to visit the American Camp Association's website for more information about accreditation and to see resources:

www.acacamps.org and www.campparents.org.

In addition to this Camper Parent Handbook, we have a resource page for parents on our website:

www.avcamp.org/parents.html

Preparing Your Camper for Camp Life

The camp experience is like other important experiences in life: the better one is prepared, the more one gets out of the experience. This section covers all of the key areas that require attention before your camper leaves home. One of the first things to do, especially with new campers (but returning campers need reminders, too!) is to talk with your camper(s) about what they can expect. Below are a few things you should review with your campers to help ease their transition to camp life.

A Typical Day at Camp

Each session is filled with activities to allow young people to experience a holistic Orthodox Christian lifestyle. Campers experience an average day with cabin wake-up at 7 AM, Orthros at 8 AM, followed by breakfast at 9 AM. Divided into groups of two or three cabins, the morning program consists of two one-hour sessions, filled with Christian Education classes and other activities such as lives of the saints and chanting.

Lunch is attended by all staff and campers to refuel for an afternoon of sports and fun. All campers attend two one-hour afternoon periods where they choose from Arts and Crafts, swimming, soccer, softball, volleyball, basketball, archery, canoeing, horseback riding, angleball, and AV ball, just to name a few. The campers get a snack from the Gimme Shop (included in the camper tuition) and are able to peruse the Camp Bookstore from 4:00-4:30 PM under the supervision of the Volunteers and CIT's, while our staff holds a daily meeting.

4:30 PM offers a rest and quiet or social time within the cabin. Evening commences with Vespers at 6 PM and camper/staff participation is not only encouraged but gracefully served. At 7:00 PM we have dinner served family-style, and as in all meals we begin and end with community prayer. Songs and playful chants are often heard at mealtimes that help create an atmosphere of love and fellowship.

Each evening, beginning at 8 PM, the campers are entertained and involved in a wide variety of programs such as serenade night, pool party, skit night, talent night, dances, and much more.

Following evening program, cabin time allows for unwinding and unanswered questions for individual cabins. Contemporary moral issues may be addressed in older cabins while younger units are getting needed rest.

Campers are rotated to horseback riding (12 and under), Challenge Ropes Course (11 and up), and overnight camping (11 and up) at least once during the two-week camp sessions.

Camp Life

Nearly everything about life at camp is different than life at home. Preparing your camper with as much information as possible will be helpful to their adjustment. While giving them a positive preview of their coming experience, let them know that life will be different, and that you want them to gain many new experiences while away. Some of the areas to prepare them for include the following:

Living Arrangements

Campers typically live with five or six fellow campers and their counselor in shared quarters. Each cabin has 4 sets of bunk beds (with a couple of exceptions) and a private bathroom. Campers are grouped according to age and gender. **We are unable to accept roommate requests.** One of the best aspects of the camp experience is learning to adjust to group living, making new friends, and getting along as part of a team.

Meals

Breakfast, lunch and dinner are eaten together as a cabin and part of the greater community in our Dining Hall. Rest assured, our dietician-reviewed menu is both nutritious and attempts to meet the variety of tastes of the campers. Many items will be to your child's liking, some items served may be things your child may never have tried before, while other items may be things they dislike. Because of our need to feed over 300 people in a relatively short period of time, we are not able to handle special requests for meals. Help your camper by relaying your expectation that they will try new things and eat what is served. If for medical reasons there are dietary restrictions or food allergies for your camper, please notify the camp in writing, at least two weeks prior to arrival, so that the Camp Nurse and Kitchen Staff may properly prepare for your camper's arrival.

Fasting

As an Orthodox Christian camp, we adhere to the tenets of the Faith, and therefore, on prescribed days we follow the fast of the Church in a very simple and humble attempt. Our fasting practice here at the Antiochian Village is to refrain from meats on fasting days. While we recognize that families follow different fasting practices, here at the Village we feel this is a reasonable expectation of all campers and staff to aid us in our spiritual growth. We encourage you as parents to speak with your children about fasting so that it is not a surprise while at camp.

Camp Activities

Life at camp takes full advantage of our outdoor setting. Activities include field sports, horseback riding, Challenge Ropes Course, archery, swimming, canoeing, overnight camping on-site for most ages, and an overnight backpacking trip off-camp at the nearby Laurel Ridge State Park or comparable experience for the oldest cabins (usually 17 year olds). Rainy days are a frequent occurrence, so rain gear is a must.

Conduct

All campers are expected to act in ways appropriate to an Orthodox Christian setting. While all disciplinary action will be taken to attempt resolution on site, the Camp Director reserves the right to dismiss campers for gross violations of camp rules. Parents will be responsible for arranging and covering costs for their child's early departure.

Independence

Last but not least, one of the major adjustments campers experience is being independent from parents, with typically no contact during the camping session. This can be one of the most positive experiences they can have at camp and one which can be invaluable in the process of growing up. Be aware that you as a parent may need to prepare for this as much—if not more—than your camper!

Arrangements to Make Before Camp

Fees

To receive the early-bird discount, **full payment** must be received by March 1. Balance of all payments is due by May 1, or the camper's spot may be offered to those on the waitlist for that particular session. Special payment arrangements can be made by writing the Camp Director, but such requests must be received prior to the May 1 deadline. All balances will be billed to the camper's parents, regardless of any parish subsidies, so parents are encouraged to ensure that all parish subsidies are paid before the May 1 deadline to avoid losing their camper's spot in the session.

Scholarship Information

Each parish in the Antiochian Archdiocese receives \$700 in scholarship funds from the Order of St. Ignatius of Antioch. Your parish priest determines the disbursement of these funds and can be consulted for all details. Parish priests must return these forms to the Department of Camping office at the Antiochian Village no later than March 1 or these funds will be disbursed to other needy campers through the general Campership Fund.

Additional scholarship funds are also available from the Antiochian Village for families needing financial assistance. To request financial assistance, please download the "Scholarship Request Form" from our website: www.avcamp.org/programs/forms, complete it and return it to our office no later than March 1. Notification of awards will be sent by April 1. All scholarship requests are confidential, and awards are only given on the basis of financial need.

Cancellation and Refund Policy

We appreciate prompt notification in the event of cancellation. Cancellations before June 1 will receive a full refund less the deposit. After June 1, refunds of tuition payments may be requested in writing and will only be granted if a replacement for the open spot is found, except in cases of family emergency (not family choice). The deposit is non-refundable and non-transferable.

Health Care

Health Information for your camper is due one month prior to the start of his/her camping session. This ensures that our health care staff have enough time to adequately prepare for camp, and allows us to take the best possible care of your camper. **If health information is not received by the one-month deadline, a \$50 late fee will be assessed.** If all health information is submitted, but we have not received the doctor's form, we will not assess a late fee.

The Health History & Information for your camper may be submitted online by logging into your account and clicking on the link to the Health Form under your camper's name. You may also download this form at <http://www.avcamp.org/programs/forms>, and ***it must be filled out in its entirety by you and the camper's doctor***, and returned to our office no later than one month prior to the beginning of your camper's session. Our Camp Nurse reviews all medical forms in advance. Forms are occasionally lost in transit when being sent, so please make a copy of the completed form before mailing it to the Camp Office. There will be a \$50.00 fee for any forms received after the deadline. If your child has any medical issues or conditions requiring special accommodations at camp, please contact the Camp Office as soon as possible. Please do not allow embarrassment to prevent us from providing adequate care for your child in your absence.

The form is confidential and the information is only available to the Camp Director, the Health Staff, and any trip leaders.

A Registered Nurse is in residence during the camping season to take care of any health care needs. Upon your camper's arrival, he/she will meet with the Camp Nurse to review any medical concerns. All medication (prescription and over the counter) will be collected upon arrival at camp, so please pack them in an accessible location. Prescription medication must be brought in the original prescription container with the original pharmacy label.

Health Insurance

All campers should be covered by their family policy. While the Antiochian Village will act as guarantor, any costs incurred by the Camp in providing required treatment for doctor's appointments, prescriptions, etc., will be billed to the camper's parents or guardian.

Travel Information

For parents sending their campers to camp via plane, train or Greyhound Bus, all travel information must be received in our office at least 14 days before the first day of the camp session. A \$25.00 charge will be assessed for any travel information received late. See "Sending Campers by Plane, Train or Bus" on page 13 – 14 for more details.

Photos/Videos

Hundreds of photos will be taken and posted online via the Antiochian Village homepage on SmugMug.com. These photos will be available for your viewing pleasure as well as for purchase. There is a \$20.00 fee for each DVD video. Because only one video is produced for each camp session, you may wish to order only one video if sending more than one child. Please know that we do our best to have each camper videotaped and photographed, but do not expect to see your camper on our website daily.

Media Consent

Throughout your child's stay at the Antiochian Village, staff members will be videotaping footage which will be included in a DVD that will be sold to campers and staff at the end of each session. This DVD will be primarily for the participants as a memento of their experience. However, it will also be used for purposes of promoting the Antiochian Village and its programs.

During each session, the staff will be taking photographs of the participants' activities and posting them on the Antiochian Village website, <http://www.avcamp.org/memories/>. This keeps parents and friends back home informed of the daily activities at camp. Only participants' first names (not last names) will be used on the website.

Parents must sign a Media Consent Form granting or denying permission for their child's picture to be taken for the camp DVD, promotional materials for the camp, and the daily pictures on the website. This form may be downloaded signed and returned to camp, or for your convenience it is now available online during the registration process where you may read it and grant or deny permission for us to photograph and/or videotape your camper(s).

Sending a First-Time Camper

If this is your child's first trip to Antiochian Village for camp, your preparation in advance will go a long way toward helping them have a great experience and minimize the effects of homesickness. We have put together an article entitled "Preventing Homesickness" which may be downloaded from our website at <http://www.avcamp.org/programs/forms>. We hope you will read the article and use the suggestions given to best prepare you and your child for their stay away from home. We have also set up a Parents' Resource page on our website with valuable information to assist you through the process of having your child(ren) attend camp.

Packing for Camp

Snacks and Care Packages

No snacks need to be sent with the campers or mailed to camp as each camper receives two snack items per day from our Gimme Shop, including soda, candy, snacks, fruit, or ice cream, and dessert is served twice daily at lunch and evening program. The cost of these snacks is included in the camper fee. At camp, packages with food are simply an invitation for rodents and ants to come to a scrumptious dinner. Treats from home also often lead to stomachaches and improper nutrition, and complicate relationships between campers with treats and those without. Please note that any food received will be shared immediately and must be nut-free. You may call the camp office to purchase any bookstore items for your camper.

Christian Modesty

While camping is of its nature informal, Christian modesty should be your guiding principle when packing. Excessively revealing clothing should not be packed as inappropriate clothing will not be permitted to be worn. Inappropriate clothing includes, but is not limited to: open back tops (including racer-razor backs), low-cut fronts, skin tight clothing, half shirts, two-piece bathing suits (or one piece suits with cut outs), tank tops with less than two finger-width straps, shorts cut shorter than a few inches above the knee, low-cut waistlines, clothing bearing inappropriate logos, sayings or advertising, and tank-top undershirts. Please visit our Dress Code Policy page of our website: <http://www.avcamp.org/about/dresscode.html>.

No more than two pairs of earrings are permitted for girls, none for guys. Excess earrings and other body piercings must be removed prior to admittance to camp. Tattoos must be covered at all times while at camp. Sagging pants and exposed underwear are a no-no as well. We ask that all attire be a sign of respect for one's own self and everyone else in the community.

Because of our outdoor setting with uneven terrain, tree roots, etc, backless shoes (flip-flops, etc.), open-toe shoes (most sandals), and high heels are not safe and should not be packed or worn at camp. Athletic shoes **must** be worn during Afternoon Program.

Rain is a frequent occurrence so proper rain gear is required so that programs can continue in spite of light rain. As in most of the continental US, mosquitoes in the area may be carriers of West Nile Virus, so we therefore recommend long sleeve t-shirts or other long sleeve shirts during sunset hours when mosquitoes are most active.

Dress for daily church services is casual but **long pants and covered shoulders are required**. For Divine Liturgies, celebrated three times each session, boys are expected to wear a collared

shirt (tie preferred) and nice pants (not jeans), and girls should wear a dress or skirt and blouse, with skirt length at least knee-length or lower.

We do not recommend bringing expensive or name-brand clothing or items to camp. ***Each article of clothing and all gear must be clearly labeled for identification.*** Please write name or initials on all clothing and belongings or visit Stuck on You (www.stuckonyou.com) to purchase personalized labels and items. Just mention Antiochian Village and we will receive a donation from your purchase. Cabin storage space is limited, so each camper should bring no more than two pieces of luggage: one suitcase/duffle bag and one carry-on size small bag or backpack. All items left behind will be given to local charities.

Camper Packing List

- Changes of clothing for at least 7 days, with all items marked in indelible ink or iron-on tags
- Nice outfits for Divine Liturgies (3 per session)
- Long pants (jeans or sweats are OK) for church services each day other than Divine Liturgy
- Long sleeve t-shirts or other long sleeve shirts (mosquito protection)
- Sturdy tennis/athletic shoes
- Modest swimsuit (no two-piece suits or one-piece with cut-outs permitted)
- Sweater, sweatshirt, or lightweight jacket
- Waterproof raincoat or poncho
- Sleeping bag, sheet (twin-size) and pillow or (twin-size) set of sheets, blanket and pillow
- Laundry Bag, marked with camper's name
- Two towels, washcloth
- Insect Repellent (non-aerosol, 10% max DEET for children under 12, 30% max for 13 and up)
- Toiletries, including: Comb/brush, toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, deodorant (non-aerosol)
- Flashlight
- Optional: Bible, camera (marked with name), journal, hiking boots (age 16-17), water bottle, travel games (non-electronic), cards

LEAVE HOME... *(any of these items will be confiscated upon arrival to camp)*

- Food
- All electronics (iPods, cell phones, electronic games, iPads/tablets, etc.)
- Jewelry and other valuables, including sports equipment
- All alcohol and tobacco products
- Immodest apparel
- Dangerous implements, i.e. knives, axes, fireworks, etc.
- Any illegal substances (campers found with any will be sent home immediately)
- Pets
- Any aerosol products (hairspray, deodorant, insect repellent, etc.)

Laundry

Laundry will be done only once per two-week session, so pack enough clothing to last at least one full week. Each camper will have one load done (so be careful about colors that will run). All campers should bring a laundry bag in which to accumulate dirty clothing. Your child's name should be written on each piece of clothing with a permanent marker or with a name label to minimize loss. Upon return home, please check your camper's luggage immediately, and notify the Camp Office of any lost items. Clothing left behind will be donated to local charities.

Spending Money

The camper fee covers all regular camping expenses. Shopping in our popular Camp Bookstore, which has books, icons, items of clothing bearing the Village logo, stuffed animals, etc. does require spending money, which can be sent prior to camp or collected upon check-in. Any remaining balance will be given back to the camper upon departure. No money will be kept with the camper in the cabins, as the Antiochian Village is not responsible for any lost money. Please do not send cash to your child in the mail while he/she is at camp. Average amounts brought by campers range between \$20 and \$50.

During the Camping Session

Relax!

While your child is at camp, take advantage and enjoy the (temporary) quiet! If you miss your kids, write a letter or two—campers love getting mail!—or go to our website to get information about sending email to your camper. Relax, knowing your children are in good hands.

Visitation Policy

Please feel free to meet our staff and tour the camp facilities on check-in day. However, because campers often become homesick when they see a parent or family member (even parents of other campers), we ask that there be no other visitors to camp during the regular camping session.

For parents who want a more thorough experience of the Antiochian Village, we have scheduled a weekend of **Family Camp** during Memorial Day Weekend, where you may experience camp life as an entire family.

For Alumni (any former camper, staff, or volunteer over the age of 18), periodically in the fall we will hold an Alumni Weekend. Look for announcements, as this is an opportunity for alumni of all ages to return home to the Village.

Contact with your child

The active camp schedule prevents regular contact with your camper. If your child is sent to camp via plane, bus, or train, your child will be required to call home immediately after checking in, in order to confirm his or her safe arrival. Thereafter, outgoing calls may be allowed only at the discretion of the Camp Director, and only for emergency situations. Receiving or placing phone calls during the session disrupts the program and often makes homesickness worse, so we do not allow them except for emergency circumstances. Therefore, you will probably not hear from the camp or your camper during the session, and remember, “no news is good news!” If your camper suffers serious injury or illness, you will be promptly notified. This includes any issue requiring off-camp health services or an illness in which a fever lasts for more than 24 hours.

We know how hard it can be to “let go,” not knowing what your child is doing during their stay. To give you a non-invasive “peek” in on them, parents and others are invited to check the camp website for daily updates during the camping session at www.avcamp.org. At our website, you

can find pictures of campers in action with accompanying narration to fill you in on the day's events. Please understand that these photos merely give you a snapshot of the day. We are unable to provide photos of every child considering we have about 300 people at camp on any given day.

Should an emergency requiring communication with your child arise, please call the Camp Office at 724-238-9565. If it is after hours, the voicemail system will offer you an emergency number to dial.

We encourage letter writing both to and from camp, with mail being delivered daily (except for Sundays and national holidays). Sending a letter before your child leaves home is a good idea, as the mail will be waiting for your child on their first full day at camp. Ask questions about camp, but avoid telling your child how much you miss them or problems that may exist at home, as this may spark homesickness. Short declarations of love such as, "We're so proud of you," or "We love you," or "See you real soon!" are just what your child will want to hear.

V-Mail (Village Emails)

Parents may purchase a package of five (5) emails for \$5.00, in order to email their child(ren) while at camp. Parents will be able to log-in via the Antiochian Village website to send Vmail to their child(ren). Campers will not be able to send responses via email. For more information, please see our website.

Getting Your Camper to and from Camp

Driving Your Camper to Camp

On the first day of the session, campers being driven to the camp may be checked-in between 1PM and 5PM. If arriving earlier, parents/chaperones are welcome to join us for Liturgy at 10AM, with brunch following for \$5 per meal (this is not a regularly scheduled meal of the camping session). Arrivals at any other time must be approved in advance by the Camp Director. Chaperones are welcome to stay and visit the camp grounds until 5 PM.

Registration will take place in the Metropolitan Philip Welcome Lodge (Camp Office). The process will include being introduced to your camper's counselor, meeting the nurse to discuss any health issues and/or turning over all medications which will be dispensed then from the Health Center, and collecting all cash to prevent loss during the session. Any funds not spent in the bookstore will be given back at the end of the session.

Driving Your Camper Home from Camp

For the **two-week** sessions, camp ends on **Friday** morning and all campers must be picked up between 9 AM and 12 Noon. Please pick up your child no later than Noon, as our staff must prepare for the next group of campers arriving. Please note that for any pick-ups falling after 12 Noon, an extended supervision fee will be charged, at a rate of \$25.00 per hour, per camper.

For the **one-week** session, camp ends on **Sunday** afternoon and all campers must be picked up

between 2 PM and 4 PM. Parents or chaperones are welcome to join us for Liturgy on Sunday morning at 10 AM, with brunch following for \$5 per meal.

Lodging Accommodations for Drivers

You may contact the Conference Center for lodging the night before or after check-in or check-out day by calling (724) 238-3677 or emailing info@antiochianvillage.org. The Antiochian Village Heritage and Learning Center is offering a special Camp Parent rate of only \$66 per night. On Check-in Day, all drivers must leave the camp grounds by 5 PM, and no return visits will be permitted.

Driving Directions

Although our mailing address is in Bolivar, PA, the Village is actually located in Fairfield Township about 7 miles north of Ligonier on Route 711. If you are using an internet mapping website or a GPS device for directions, the camp address is 201 St. Ignatius Trail, Bolivar, PA, 15923 and the Conference Center address is 140 Church Camp Trail, Bolivar, PA, 15923.

From the Northeast

Head West on Rt. 80, exiting at Route 220 South (Exit 161). Head South on Route 220 for about an hour as the road alternates between four-lane expressway and two-way highway, passing State College and Altoona. Exit onto Route 22 West for about a half hour. Exit onto Route 56 (Armagh exit). Proceed East on Rt. 56 which will join with Route 711 South. Follow Route 711 South, turning right after crossing a bridge and continue for approximately 13 miles. Entrance to the Antiochian Village will be on the left hand side, approximately 1 mile past Champion Lakes Golf Course and the Real McCoy Restaurant.

From the Pennsylvania Turnpike

Take the Pennsylvania Turnpike (I-76) to Exit 91 in Donegal. Follow the signs to Rt. 711 North. Proceed on Rt. 711 North for approximately 15 miles, and you will cross Rt. 30 and drive through "downtown" Ligonier. You will go around the Gazebo in the center of the town, and continue on Route 711 North. After approximately 4 miles, you will see a Sheetz Gas Station at a fork in the road. Bear left, staying on Route 711 North, and it is approximately 3 miles from that point. The entrance of the Antiochian Village will be on the right-hand side.

From Pittsburgh International Airport

Follow signs leaving airport towards Pittsburgh. Before passing through the Ft. Pitt Tunnel, get into your right-hand lane in order to exit immediately after the tunnel onto I-376 towards Monroeville. Stay on this highway until you reach the Pennsylvania Turnpike exit. Head East on the Turnpike to Exit 91 (Donegal). Follow directions from the Pennsylvania Turnpike above.

Sending Campers by Plane, Train or Bus

While we encourage families to drive their camper(s) to Antiochian Village in order to see the camp and meet those who will be entrusted with the care of their child(ren), we realize that in some instances travel by plane, train or bus might be necessary.

Antiochian Village provides round-trip ground transportation for campers arriving into the Pittsburgh airport, or by bus or train to Johnstown. All travel information, including airline, flight

number, arrival and departure times must be received in our office at least two weeks prior to arrival. If information is received after the two week deadline, we may not be able to guarantee ground transportation. If we are able to provide transportation for travel information received late there will be a \$25 late fee assessed. Campers will be met at the gate by uniformed Village Staff members, as well as escorted to the gate at departure. In the event that there are any changes or emergencies that would affect the camper's pick-up or drop-off time or location, a staff member of the camp will call the parents/guardian to inform them of any necessary changes.

Authorized Arrival and Departure Times:

Pittsburgh Airport (PIT), Bus or Train Station

Arrival Day	(Sunday)	10am – 4pm
Departure Day- 2 wk. session	(Friday)	9am – 2pm
Departure Day- 1 wk. session	(Sunday)	2pm – 6pm

Johnstown Train Station (JST)

Arrival Day		6:00 pm
Departure Day	Train departures	9:04 am

*Any deviation from these times must be requested in writing and approved by the Camp Director to guarantee that ground transportation will be provided. Please note that for arrival and/or departure times approved, an extended supervision fee will be charged, at a rate of \$25.00 per hour, per camper. An Antiochian Village staff member or representative will stay with your child until his/her departure. Please note that we are not permitted to leave any camper unattended at the airport, train or bus station regardless of the parent/guardian's wishes.

Safety Rules for Van or Bus Transportation

Staff members will review safety and evacuation procedures with the campers before departing. At least 2 staff members will accompany each van or bus. Campers will be asked to refrain from unsafe behavior to ensure that the driver is not distracted (being out of seats while van/bus is moving, hands out of window, etc.), remain seat-belted at all times in vans, and load/unload the van/bus in a safe and orderly manner.

Antiochian Village Camper Policy for Online Social Networking and Blogging Websites

In general, the Antiochian Village views social networking sites (e.g., Facebook, Snapchat, Instagram, etc.), personal Web sites, and Weblogs positively and respects the right of campers to use them as a medium of self-expression. If a camper chooses to identify himself or herself as a camper at the Antiochian Village on such internet venues, some readers of such websites or blogs may view the camper as a representative or spokesperson of the Antiochian Village. In light of this possibility, the Antiochian Village requires, as a condition of participation in the camp, that campers observe the following guidelines when referring to the Antiochian Village, its programs or activities, its campers, and/or other staff, in a blog or on a website:

- 1) Campers must be respectful in all communications (text and photos) and blogs related to or referencing the camp, its employees, and other campers. Any photos or messages that are linked or “tagged” from “friends” and attached to your site(s) or profile(s) that are inappropriate should also be removed.
- 2) Campers must not use obscenities, profanity, or vulgar language.
- 3) Campers must not use blogs or personal websites to disparage the Antiochian Village, other campers, or staff of the Antiochian Village.
- 4) Campers must not use blogs or personal websites to harass, bully, or intimidate other campers or staff of the Antiochian Village. Behaviors that constitute harassment and bullying include, but are not limited to, comments that are derogatory with respect to race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, color, or disability; sexually suggestive, humiliating, or demeaning comments; and threats to stalk, haze, or physically injure another person.
- 5) Campers must not use these venues to discuss engaging in conduct prohibited by camp policies and an Orthodox Christian lifestyle, including, but not limited to, the use of alcohol and drugs, sexual behavior, sexual harassment, and bullying.

Any camper found to be in violation of any portion of this policy will be subject to immediate disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal at the discretion of the Camp Director.