



CAMP TANADOONA

The adventure starts here!



2017
Summer &
School Break
Camps

Canoe | Kayak | Water Trampoline | Swim | Fish | Nature Education | High Ropes
Climbing Wall | Giant Swing | Challenge Course | Archery | Arts & Crafts | Outdoor Living Skills

Camp Fire

Light the fire within

Day Camps | Resident Camps | Northwoods Adventure Trips | Leadership Development Programs

I want to welcome you to Tanadoona. We are mighty glad you're here!



My name is Anthony Teed and as the Camp Director I have the privilege of watching young people discover their spark, build confidence and develop as young leaders at Tanadoona!

I'm proud that Tanadoona is well known for our summer camps led by outstanding local and international camp counselors. We are both convenient for parents and the ideal place for a kid to spend part (or most) of their summer having fun outdoors. We are a community; a place where we invite and encourage each camper to be themselves and bring their ideas and passions to camp!

I'm excited to share some of the new ways we'll learn and explore in 2017. This year we added more specialty day camps, a Tree House in the Big Woods and a Team Building Challenge Course! We also have camps during school breaks and are kicking-off our year-round Teen Outdoor Leaders program.

As you plan for your summer, I encourage each of you to try something new this year. Try a new Specialty Day Camp or Resident Camp for the week. Head north on a Northwoods Adventure canoe trip. Take on a leadership role as a DCA, CIT or JC.

Whatever you choose, the adventure starts here at Tanadoona. If you have questions, please connect with me!

Sincerely,

Anthony "Toots" Teed
Camp Director



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NEW
in 2017

Tanadoona Tree House

Gain a new perspective and learn about the Tanadoona Big Woods forest and wildlife from up in the trees! This spot is sure to provide inspiration, creativity and a new, unique place to experience the magic of Tanadoona.

Team Building Challenge Course

Campers will learn what it means to be part of a team as they progress through fun and physical activities that focus on problem solving, communication, commitment and trust.

More & New Specialty Day Camps

Check out all the new camps (on pages 9-10) where campers can build on and discover new sparks.

Camps Beyond Summer

Learn about our School Break Day Camps & Teen Outdoor Leadership throughout the year on page 4.

Scholarships

In 2016, more than 200 scholarships helped youth experience summer camp thanks to the support of camp families and other generous donors.

- Donate and apply online at camptanadoona.org/scholarship
- Applicants: early application is strongly recommended

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PARENT INFORMATION

Thank you for choosing Tanadoona! Registration opens January 9, 2017.

Our website and Family Handbook offer a comprehensive overview of camp policies and FAQs, visit us at camptanadoona.org/parents.

Early Bird Discount

January 9 – 31 (excludes School Break Day Camps and Leadership Programs)

- \$15 off Day & Specialty Day Camps
- \$20 off Mini-Resident Camp
- \$30 off Resident Camp & Northwoods Adventure Trips

Full payment must be received by January 31 to receive discount.

How to register:

- Visit camptanadoona.org.
- Click on “Register”, which redirects you to our registration system, ActiveWorks.
- **Returning families:** log-in using your previous email username and password to avoid re-entering your information. Forgot your password? Use the “forgot password” feature to reset, or call the Camp Fire office for assistance.
- **New families:** create an account using your email address. You will be able to set up multiple campers, select your camp sessions for each camper, and save payment information. The system also allows you to save progress on your health form, then return to complete it later.

* *Online registration offers the best selection; to submit a paper application, contact us at info@campfiremn.org or (612) 235-7284.*



REGISTRATION CHECKLIST

- Registered for camp session, *be sure to register your buddy request & deposit money into your camper's store account*
- Health Form completed by April 30
- Tuition paid in full by June 1 or at time of registration when registering after June 1. *(Early Bird Discount requires payment by 1/31/2017)*
- Review Family Handbook & Policies before camp, visit camptanadoona.org/parents

Tanadoona programming expands beyond summer camp! Continue to grow through nature and with your Tanadoona community year-round. Register for each of these online just as you would any other camp session. **Registration for these sessions is open now!**

BEYOND SUMMER

TEEN OUTDOOR LEADERSHIP

Are you looking to grow as a leader? Want to play a role in making Tanadoona exceptional for everyone? Led by Simba, Teen Coordinator and 3-year Tanadoona Counselor, Tanadoona Teen Leaders meet year-round to grow as leaders. As a Teen Leader, you will collectively determine projects and leadership development activities to build skills in collaboration, decision-making and self-assurance. We meet monthly – come as often as you're able. Food is always provided. See you there! Register online at camptanadoona.org/teens.

COST: \$10/session | Ages: 12-17

3RD TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH (Jan.-May; Sept.-Dec.)

5-6:30pm

SCHOOL BREAK DAY CAMPS

Tanadoona is a blast in the summer, but there is so much more to discover year-round! From snowshoeing to pumpkin carving to fort building, spend your school breaks in nature!

Bring your own nut-free lunch and dress for outdoor fun!

Register online at camptanadoona.org/schoolbreak.

COST: \$50/day | Ages: 6-14

Martin Luther King Jr. Day: January 16

President's Day: February 20

Spring Break: March 27-31

MEA: October 19-20

Winter Break: December 28-29



“What I love about Tanadoona is that you meet so many new people from all around the world, and so many people from right around you.”

–Jaiden, 2016 resident camper



2,000 feet of
shoreline
on Lake
Minnewashta



“Camp Tanadoona is just a magical place. My daughter was dropped off a sweet loving little girl and she was picked up a sweet loving little lady, with much more confidence in herself.” –Andrew, 2016 camper parent

103 acres of unique natural greenspace perfect for adventure, exploration and hands-on learning



Two major watersheds converge at Tanadoona - Mississippi River and Minnesota River

Tanadoona Big Woods features three habitat types - black ash swamp, wetlands, savanna



Weekly Theme & Wednesday Dress-up

Each week of summer camp we take on a new theme, inspiring new activities and games. Be sure to dress-up for the theme on Wednesday!

Week 1: Pirates

Week 2: Under the Sea

Week 3: Wild Wild West

Week 4: Stars and Stripes

Week 5: Hollywood

Week 6: Rock Stars

Week 7: Hawaiian Hula

Week 8: International Bonanza

Week 9: Super Heroes

Week 10: Harry Potter Madness

Week 11: Decades

Week 12: Minnesota Sports Teams



International & Local Counselors

Just one reason Tanadoona is a camper and parent favorite! All counselors complete a comprehensive 2-week training before camp to ensure a safe and fun camp experience for all. More than half our counselors come from outside the United States to share their culture and love of nature. Thanks to the Tanadoona Leadership Development Program, some of our counselors are even past campers!

Be a Host Family!

International and non-local counselors love to enjoy the comforts of a home away from camp on the weekend. Details and application information are at camptanadoona.org/host.



DAY CAMP

Ages 5-14

COST: Ages 5-7: \$250 | Ages 8-14: \$240

MONDAY – FRIDAY

June 12 – August 30

(July 5-7 and August 28-30 are shortened weeks)

Tanadoona Day Camp is full of adventure and fun! Enjoy the best outdoor activities in a well structured schedule. Our program encourages campers to build confidence, create new friendships, explore the natural world, learn new skills and discover their sparks!

Tanadoona features three habitat types, the convergence of Minnesota and Mississippi watersheds and 103 acres offering campers a unique opportunity to learn hands-on about the natural world. Groups are kept small and led by counselors who are dedicated to helping campers discover and ignite their sparks.

With easy check-in and check-out, Tanadoona Day Camp is convenient for parents and campers!

Daily check-in 7:45 – 8:30 am

Daily check-out 4:30 – 5:15 pm

Closing Ceremony Friday 4:15pm

DAY CAMP EXTRAS:

Add extras during online registration.

Lunch: \$32/week

Hot lunch includes main dish, sides, salad bar and milk.

We are sensitive to dietary needs. List all dietary restrictions on your camper's health form. Review the Family Handbook and call us to discuss your camper's dietary needs.

Before/After Care: \$40/week

Extends program time to 7am-6pm for early drop-off and late pick-up.

Thursday Overnight: \$45

Day campers spend the night at Tanadoona enjoying all-camp games, evening campfires and s'mores! Campers stay in cabins with other Day Camp campers. Thursday dinner and Friday breakfast and lunch are included. Space is limited; register early! Not available week 7. Recommended for ages 7+.

Lunch+Thursday Overnight: \$70

Save when you combine weekly lunch with Thursday Overnight.



SPECIALTY DAY CAMP

Ages 6-14

Specialty Day Camps are designed to encourage campers to discover, grow and share their sparks (their unique passions)! Campers will have dedicated time each day to enjoy their specialty camp activities in addition to the traditional Tanadoona Day Camp activities.

Find dates for each camp online at camptanadoona.org

COST: Ages 6-7: \$270 | Ages 8-14: \$260

Imagine & Discover

Pirate Week

Arrrgh! Make-believe with your friends and discover lost treasures. This camp is full of imagination and fun pirate-themed games and songs. Wear your best pirate outfit on Wednesday or all week!

Ages 6-7

Camp Clue: A Detective's Tale

Something strange has happened and it's up to you to solve the mystery! Was it the squirrel with the eagle feather in the camp store? Was it the turkey with a canoe paddle in the gaga pit? Working together, this team of Tanadoona Detectives will search for clues and close the case. The mystery and adventure await.

Ages 6-7

Mad Science

Is your camper always experimenting and curious about how things work? Be one of our mad scientists conducting wacky experiments. Bring your lab coat and curiosity to camp and be ready to cause a reaction!

Ages 6-7, 8-10, 9-11



Express Your Artistic Side

Center Stage

Performers, writers and theatre lovers - join other campers for a week on the stage. Build trust and creativity through improv games and collaborate to create an original play that you'll premiere at Tanadoona.

Ages 8-10, 9-11, 11-14

Arts & Crafts

Find inspiration across camp and the new Tree House as you design, craft and share your personal style! From bracelets to birdfeeders, campers will love this extra time to discover and demonstrate their spark for creating!

Ages 8-10, 9-11

Young Filmmakers

Lights, camera, action! Together storytellers, actors and directors will work with a creative and fun counselor exploring the filmmaking process - outdoors! The final film will premiere to Tanadoona campers on the last day of camp. We'll even email you the final product!

Ages 11-14

Rock Band

Rock out each day at camp! This week, try new instruments (guitar, bass, drums and keyboard), sing, develop your on-stage presence and perform! We all have something to contribute to the band - this week encourage and learn from each member's musical talent.

Ages 11-14



Tanadoona Athletes

Bullseye Club Archery

Take aim! Whether you are new to archery or on your way to becoming a master archer, our trained archery instructor will meet you where you're at and help you get to the next level. Campers will learn proper shooting technique and care for equipment as they play fun games during target practice.

Ages 8-10, 9-11, 11-14

Sky High Adventure

The sky is the limit... this is the week to push your limits with extra time on the adventure course! You will learn climbing commands and safety. Challenge yourself and cheer on others on the rock wall, high ropes, giant swing and our brand new Team Building Challenge Course!

Ages 8-10, 9-11, 11-14

Sports Galore

Be part of the team and have fun competing in your favorite sports in the great outdoors. We'll play flag football, basketball, soccer, baseball and kickball, plus learn new games from an international counselor! This week is filled with teamwork and practicing good sportsmanship.

Ages 8-10, 9-11, 11-14

Mastering Outdoor Skills

Shelters, Forts and Hideouts

Take time each day to design and construct a secret hideout, shelter or fort using the most basic and interesting of nature's supplies in the Tanadoona Big Woods! A practical skill for any outdoor adventurer and loads of fun for pretend adventures too.

Ages 6-7, 8-10, 9-11

Outdoor Survival

What does it take to survive the outdoors? You'll learn the basics this week as you build resilience and conquer the elements with your fellow campers. Campers will build a fire, practice knots, set up a tent, cook over a fire, orienteer and navigate, and build forts and shelters - all the skills you need to set out on one of Tanadoona's Northwoods Adventure Trips when you turn 12.

Ages 6-7, 8-10, 9-11

Outdoor Cooking

Meals on a camping trip don't have to be boring, pre-packaged food. Learn to cook outdoors and try out recipes to create delicious dishes! We'll hang out in the Big Woods perfecting our outdoor culinary skills!

Ages 9-11, 11-14



MINI RESIDENT CAMP

Ages 7-14

COST: \$300

SUNDAY – WEDNESDAY

Mini-Resident Camp is a sampling of all the great things Resident Camp has to offer. Campers stay in rustic cabins with other Mini-Resident campers and enjoy activities with their cabin group all week.

Campers will enjoy individual and team building activities in archery, the adventure area, nature, art, waterfront and lake exploration, and outdoor living skills during the day and all-camp games and campfires each night.

Mini-Resident camp is the perfect stepping stone to full week Resident Camp.

SCHEDULE:

Week 1: June 11 – 14

Week 3: June 25 – 28

Week 5: July 9 – 12

Week 9: August 6 – 9

Week 11: August 20 – 23

Check-in

Sunday 6 – 6:30pm

Check-out

Wednesday 4 – 5:15pm

Closing Ceremony

Wednesday 4:15pm

RESIDENT CAMP
Ages 7-15

Teen Week
Ages 12-17

COST: \$460
SUNDAY – FRIDAY
Weeks 1 – 11: June 11 – August 25
(No Resident Camp July 2-7)

Resident campers enjoy the best that Tanadoona has to offer in our outdoor oasis. Classic camp activities and new adventures run all day and into the night. We then spend our nights playing all-camp games and telling stories around the campfire. Each week, campers participate in a campout and a week-long art project. Learn new skills, build new friendships, develop a deeper understanding of the natural world and simply have fun!

TEEN WEEK
More Freedom + More Fun!

This week of resident camp is for TEENS ONLY! This is a chance to break away from all the pressure of being a teen and just have fun! More relaxed than other weeks of camp, roll out of your bunk later and stay up at the campfire longer. We'll have activities beyond what you find during a regular week of camp, so bring your instruments, filmmaking abilities and pack a nicer outfit for the Camp Dance!

Week 7: July 23 – 28

INTERNATIONAL BONANZA
Discover International Traditions

Hands down, one of our most popular weeks. Last year our counselors came from 13 different countries and 5 different continents! During International Bonanza each cabin is transformed to represent a country and groups compete for the coveted International Bonanza Gold Medal. This is a camper and counselor favorite!

Week 8: July 30 – August 4

Check-in **Sunday 6:30 – 7pm**
Check-out **Friday 4 – 5:15pm**
Closing Ceremony **Friday 4:15pm**



Leadership Development Program

Build leadership skills, earn volunteer hours and become a camp counselor!

Tanadoona's Leadership Development Program is designed to build leadership skills and transform campers into counselors. At each level, two dedicated and trained counselors guide our budding leaders. As a cohort, we help instill confidence, inspire courage and kindness, and develop empathy and leadership.

In 2016, four of our past campers became full-time camp counselors through this program!

“It’s to this program’s credit that I transitioned from a timid nervous little girl to a strong and independent person who I am now. My time as a DCA, CIT and JC were truly life changing. I learned a lot about myself and others and would not trade the time I spent in this program for the world.”

– Emerson, Leadership Development Program graduate and 2016 Camp Counselor



DAY CAMP ASSISTANT (DCA)
Ages 14-16

Cost: \$300

July 30 – August 4

This is the first step in becoming a Tanadoona Teen Leader. DCAs spend the first half of the week in team building activities and interactive leadership training with lead camp staff. Trainings include first aid, behavior management, lesson planning and basic counselor skills.

In the second part of the week, DCAs partner with camp counselors to assist with day camp groups. DCAs stay overnight on Thursday helping with Thursday Overnight campers.

DCAs must be 14 years old or going into 9th grade in the fall. Register for DCA online, just as you would for any other camp session.



**COUNSELOR
IN TRAINING
(CIT)**
Ages 15-17

Cost: \$550

Two-Week Program: August 6 – 11 & 13 – 18

Become a great leader and future camp counselor! Learn from and work with the best – Tanadoona’s tightly-knit community of counselors from across the world.

First week: Work with and learn from lead staff about the various areas of camp, including health and wellness, leadership and team building, activity planning and leading, promoting positive behavior and more. This week is full of fun, team building and interactive learning!

Second week: Now’s your chance to put everything you learned to use. You’ll work side-by-side with a Tanadoona counselor implementing and leading a group of Resident Camp or Day Camp campers!

CITs build connections with campers and learn to work as a team to create an inspiring atmosphere for campers and counselors alike.

CIT requires a paper application process; details are online: camptanadoona.org/leadership.

Must be 15 years old or going into the 10th grade in the fall.

**JUNIOR
COUNSELOR
(JC)**
Ages 16-18

Cost: \$100

Choose your weeks in the application

Spend the summer growing as a leader. JCs help in all aspects of camp... and have a blast! If you completed the CIT program in the past, join us this year as an outstanding example for our next generation of campers, plus expand your experience and collect service hours. Gain the skills to get the job!

JC Responsibilities:

- Collaborate with and support camp counselors and program specialists.
- Assist in planning, creating, and implementing camp activities.
- Help check-in and check-out campers.
- Run all-camp games.

Live at camp just as counselors do. Commit to as many as five weeks (Sunday – Friday) throughout the summer.

Applicants must be at least 16 or going into 11th grade in the fall. Completion of our CIT program is strongly recommended.

All JCs must complete our weekend training in late May/early June.

Paper application is required. Details are online: camptanadoona.org/leadership.



**NORTHWOODS
ADVENTURE
TRIP**
Ages 12-17

COST: \$500
SUNDAY – FRIDAY

A trip of a lifetime! Campers arrive at Tanadoona on Sunday and embark on their journey up north to our destination camp, Camp Bluewater, which is set on beautiful Bluewater Lake in the Chippewa National Forest. Together, campers plan their unique canoeing and camping trip within a chain of lakes.

Experience serene beauty and the company of new, close friends as you paddle, cook over the fire and sleep under the stars. Led by two wilderness-, first aid- and lifeguard-certified counselors, campers build lifelong strengths – collaboration, communication and self-confidence – on a Northwoods Adventure Trip!

Space is limited to 10 campers per trip.

Sunday: arrive at Camp Bluewater and map out your trip together

Monday: set out on your canoe and camping trip

Thursday: return to Camp Bluewater

Friday: return to Camp Tanadoona

SCHEDULE:

Week 3: June 25 – 30

Week 5: July 9 – 14

Week 8: July 30 – August 4

Week 10: August 13 – 18

Check-in	Sunday 1pm
Check-out	Friday 4 – 5:15pm
Closing Ceremony	Friday 4:15pm

“My favorite part is everyone can come together and express themselves. We’ve only known each other a few days but we already feel like family.”

– Andrew T., 12 yrs old



EVENTS & IMPORTANT DATES

Online Registration

Opens January 9; register early to avoid waitlists

Early Bird Discount: January 9-31

Open Houses

Saturday, March 4, 12-3pm

Saturday, April 29, 12-3pm

New to Tanadoona or have questions about sessions you haven't tried yet? Visit an Open House! Tour camp, enjoy seasonal camp activities and ask our staff all your questions.

Meet the Counselors

Thursday, June 8, 6-7:30pm

Meet your 2017 Tanadoona counselors before camp begins! Stop in for a few minutes or stay the whole time to say "Hi" and roast a s'more.

Tanadoona Picnic

Friday, August 25, 5:30-6:30pm

Come back for a fun family event with your favorite counselors and camp friends! Celebrate another great summer at Tanadoona with food, games and shirt-signing. Bring the whole family!

Volunteer Day

Saturday, October 7, 1-4pm

Bring the family and help protect the natural beauty of Tanadoona by improving water quality at and around Lake Minnewashta. Volunteers will help remove buckthorn, spread woodchips, rake, and prepare camp for winter. This is a great family activity for ages 6 and older. Registration opens during the summer.

For all events, watch our Facebook page for updates in the case of inclement weather.





TEE IT UP!

for



Thank you sponsors and supporters!

Camp Fire Minnesota is a non-profit organization that operates Tanadoona. We keep prices affordable and offer scholarships to families with financial hardship thanks to community support.

The 2nd annual Tee It Up for Tanadoona was a success raising \$169,400 for Tanadoona. Help us thank the incredible volunteer committee, sponsors, golfers and guests who are committed to helping youth discover their spark in nature at Tanadoona.

Join us on the course at Bearpath Golf & Country Club

Monday, August 14, 2017

campfiremn.org/golf

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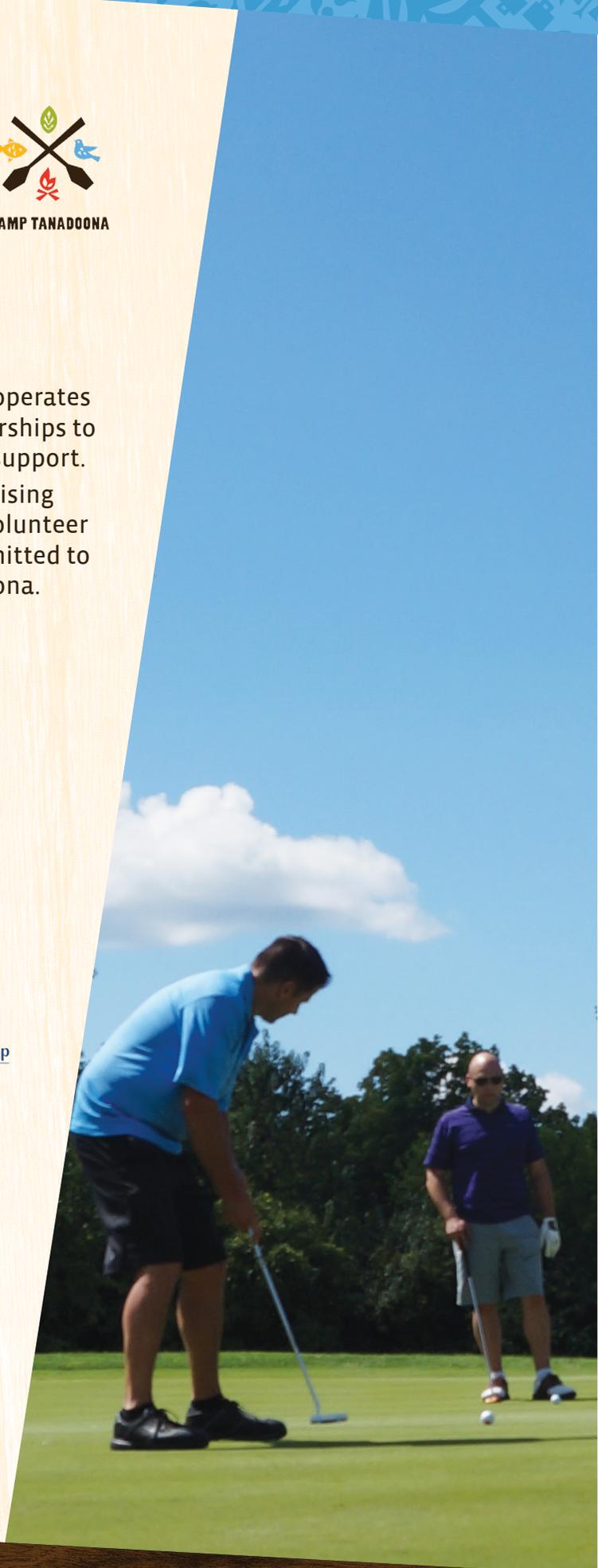


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2016 Committee Members

Russ Nelson, Craig Carlander, Ken Holec,
Terry Larson, John Rice, Kirk Spresser



Policies

** Please review our comprehensive policies and family information before attending camp, online at camptanadoona.org/parents.*

Buddy Requests

Buddy Requests allow two campers who each request one another to be placed in the same group for their week at camp. Campers may request one friend to be paired with, one-way requests or submissions for more than two buddies together cannot be accommodated.

Day & Specialty Day Camps: both must be the same age and registered for the same camp session.

Mini-Resident & Resident Camps: both must be the same age and same gender.

Camp Store Account Credit

The camp store is open to campers twice each week for purchasing snacks and camp keepsakes. The store is also open to families after the Closing Ceremony each Friday. Prices range between \$1-\$3 for snacks and \$3-\$20 for camp gear. Store deposits can be made during online registration, at drop-off on the first day of each session, or by contacting the office. **Campers may not use cash at the store.**

After the summer season, families who have remaining store credit will have the option of donating their balance to the Camp Fire Campership Fund or receiving a refund. Balances at or below \$7.50 are automatically donated to the Campership Fund. Refunds are subject to a \$2.50 administrative fee.

Payment Information

A \$50 per session deposit is required at the time of online registration and full payment for all camp sessions must be received by June 1 (or January 31 to receive Early Bird Discount). Any registrations submitted after June 1 must include full payment. Failure to meet payment due date may cancel your registration and advance another camper from the waiting list. Customized payment arrangements can be made by contacting Camp Fire Minnesota's administrative office.

Cancellations and Refunds

All cancellations must be received in writing by emailing info@campfiremn.org. Cancelling 30 days before the session begins will result in a refund of fees except for the \$50 deposit. No refunds will be issued with less than 30 days prior notice. Registrations may be transferred to another session when enrollment space is available. All session transfers are subject to a \$10 transfer fee. No refunds will be given if your child leaves camp early or arrives late for any reason.

Accessibility and Inclusion Statement

Camp Fire is an inclusive organization open to every person in the communities we serve. We welcome youth and adults regardless of race, religion, socio-economic status, disability, sexual orientation or other aspects of diversity. We will work to accommodate any special needs to the extent that our financial and physical resources permit. Please let us know if we can work with you in this manner by contacting our office prior to completing your summer camp registration.

Child Care Reimbursement

Camp Tanadoona qualifies as a child care option for tax purposes. Camp Fire Minnesota's federal tax ID number is 41-0706116. Please contact Camp Fire Minnesota's office to discuss flexible spending or other documentation.





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Receive \$10 store credit!

Refer a new family to Tanadoona and give them this coupon to submit by May 30, 2017

We ❤️ Tanadoona! You will too!

If your family has never been to Camp Tanadoona... this is the summer to check it out!

1. Register online at camptanadoona.org
2. Mail coupon by May 30 to:
Camp Fire Minnesota
Attn: New Camper Store Credit
4829 Minnetonka Blvd. Suite 202
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3. **Both families receive \$10 credit to the camp store!**

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New Family: Parent Name Phone

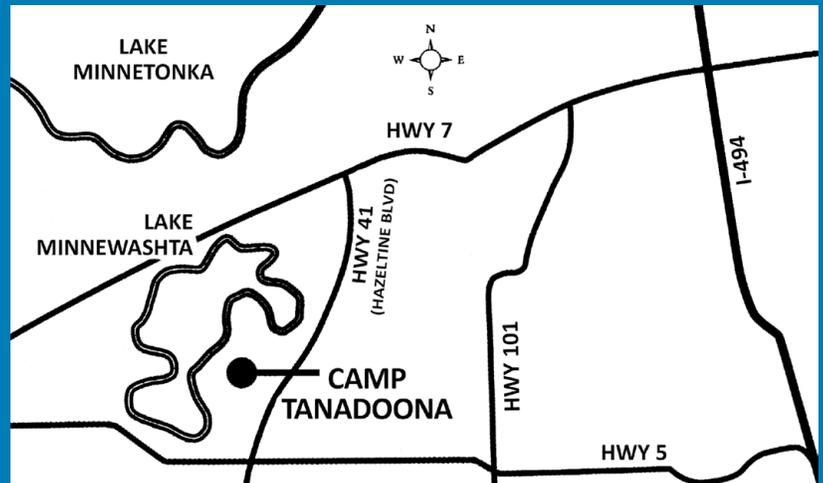


Camp Fire will call each family to coordinate the credit when referral coupon is received and both families have registered online. Limit one per family. Valid 2017 camp season only.



CAMP TANADOONA

An outdoor escape that's just down the road!
3300 Tanadoona Drive, Excelsior, MN 55331



Just minutes from the Twin Cities, Tanadoona is nestled between Chanhassen and Excelsior.

West of I-494. Just off Highway 41 between Hwy 7 and Hwy 5. Take Hwy 41 to Tanadoona Drive.