

**Orchard Middle School  
Solon City Schools  
Outdoor Education Program**

**DORMS**

The boys' and girls' dorm areas are completely separated and each area has its own lavatory facilities (including individual shower stalls). Students sleep in bunk beds. Mattress covers must be provided by students (either twin flat or fitted sheet). A sleeping bag or separate blankets are acceptable.

**COST**

Cost to students reflects expenses for special resource personnel, food, transportation, insurance, craft materials and other supplies. **The camper's cost this year is \$250.00.** Return all forms to your child's homeroom teacher and remit payment for \$250 through EZpay by **Friday, March 16th.** Students with incomplete forms will not be permitted to participate in the program.

**CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT**

Each camper will be provided a separate packing list, which will include suggested items of clothing. We recommend warm, old comfortable clothes and shoes that can take some abuse. We do not recommend buying new or wearing expensive clothing. There are no dress-up requirements at camp. **IMPORTANT:** Aerosol containers of bug repellent and deodorant are against Camp policy as are all electronics. We also strongly discourage perfumes, scented body sprays and any candy as they attract mosquitoes and other biting insects.

**DISCIPLINE AND RULES**

The Solon City Schools Code of Conduct will be enforced at Camp. All discipline procedures will be followed. Serious infractions can result in student removal from Camp. Parents will be asked to pick the student up at Camp, if necessary.

**HANDLING LUGGAGE/CAMP GEAR**

Luggage can be dropped-off at Orchard the night before departure or the Friday before for the Monday through Wednesday session. The building will be open from 6:00 until 7:00pm. Parents should leave their child's belongings in their homeroom. Important Tips: (1) take advantage of the drop-off times the night before departure. This decreases traffic in the morning and provides for a much smoother departure for students and staff. (2) Make your child pack their own luggage. This ensures that they know where to find everything when they get to Camp. (3) Remember...they are only going for a couple days. Stick to the packing list. Students will be responsible for carrying their own luggage to the cabins. Limit luggage to one bag for clothes and one bag for bedding. (4) Leave electronics at home. Orchard and Mohican are not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged items.

## **HEALTH**

A Clinic is provided on-site to administer medications and treat minor injuries and illness. Physician and hospital emergency room care are available nearby. In cases of severe illness or injury, parents are notified immediately. All restroom and kitchen facilities meet county health regulations.

## **SUPERVISION**

Children are under the direct supervision of Orchard teachers and the expertly trained Mohican faculty and staff. The Mohican faculty and staff include certified teachers and others with B.A., M.A., and Ph.D degrees. All are rich in experience in outdoor education and environmental awareness. Mohican also provides camp counselors to assist with night-time care and supervision of students.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

Students are bused to and from camp by school bus. They will leave Orchard at approximately 9:15 am on the first day of camp. Students should come to school on the day of departure according to their normal routine. Students will return to Orchard at approximately 2:15 pm on the last day of Camp. Students may be picked up at 2:15 pm on the day they return and **be signed out by a parent to go home**. Students may also ride their bus home, but parents must pick up their camp luggage gear.