

INTER VARSITY

CIRCLE
SQUARE
RANCH

GRAND
RIVER



open House

Sunday, May 24th
3-5 p.m.

camp tours.meet our staff.pony and wagon rides.
climbing activities.archery.snacks.



No need to RSVP,
just show up for an afternoon of fun!

program. Wrangler Crew Campers will work alongside the horse staff for three to four hours daily and help with round-up, daily routines, and assist with lessons.

What is canteen and how does it work?

The Canteen is a camp store that is open daily for campers to purchase a snack or a souvenir. It includes things such as chocolate bars, slushies, chips, candy, granola bars, yogurt, fruit and pop. If you'd prefer, you are welcome to send nut-free snacks from home. Canteen money can be paid in advance when completing an online registration or can be brought with you on registration day. Any unspent money will be returned to your child on the last day of camp. The Canteen will also be open on registration and sign-out day for your child to buy souvenirs.

Do campers wear helmets when riding?

We provide approved riding helmets, which all campers are required to wear when riding. Campers may bring their own approved riding helmet, no bike helmets please.

What is the camper/staff ratio?

The overall camper to staff ratio is four to one. A wagon or cabin of 6-9 campers has a cabin leader and, if space permits, a co-leader. Two leaders are responsible for each travel group of 16 and there are additional instructors at each activity that they attend. Trained leaders supervise all activities.

Where do campers sleep?

The campers sleep in our lodge, covered wagons, or in cabins that sleep 8-14. Campers will always have at least one counselor stay in the cabin/ wagon with them overnight. All accommodations have mattresses and electricity. Campers attending in August are encouraged to bring extra blankets due to cooler weather.

What about health and safety?

Safety is a primary concern. We strive to provide safe and enjoyable activities. There is a medical staff available 24 hours a day, and Leadership staff are trained in First Aid and CPR. We are 15 minutes away from a medical clinic and Brantford General Hospital.

What do we do when temperatures get too high?

We take your child's health very seriously and at times we need to modify our program due to extreme heat. On days with higher temperatures, we add in additional water activities, space to cool down, and extra hydration breaks. Horseback riding may need to be cancelled if the temperature and humidity for the day are too high. We will reassess if it is safe to resume normal programming on an hour by hour basis. We understand it is disappointing to miss a scheduled riding time but we may not be able to reschedule it during the week.

A Note to Parents: *It is our goal to create an experience for campers that is not only fun, but significant and meaningful. If you have any questions, please contact us at the ranch. We look forward to seeing you this summer.*

~ Steve & Andrea Richardson ~ Camp Directors

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Please find a copy of the *Conditions of Enrollment* and *Authorization for Treatment* below. We like to have a physical copy of your signature for the items you agreed to online. If you could print this form, and bring it with you to registration, it will help the registration process to be more efficient. We will have additional copies available at registration if required. Thank you.



CAMPER'S NAME: _____

CONDITIONS OF ENROLLMENT

1. The parents/guardians submitting this application are those having legal custody over the child. Conditions of custody, if applicable, will be fully communicated in writing to InterVarsity Circle Square Ranch, including a photocopy of the section of any court order referring to visitation rights.
2. The Camp Director reserves the right to dismiss a camper who, in the Director's opinion, is a hazard to the safety and rights of others, or who appears to have rejected the reasonable controls of camp and/or whose behaviour is placing unacceptable constraints upon the staff and their responsibilities toward other campers. This may range from missing an activity to complete dismissal depending on the situation. In the instance that a camper is dismissed from camp for any reason, the parents/guardians are responsible for pick-up of the dismissed camper.
3. If the camper has any physical, emotional, developmental or behavioural need, particularly if it is a condition that would require special attention or exclude the camper from any camp activity, describe fully on the application or on a separate sheet of paper. InterVarsity Circle Square Ranch retains the right to dismiss any camper whose condition has not been disclosed during the application process.
4. I, the parent/guardian of the herein named participant, release Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship of Canada and InterVarsity Circle Square Ranch, its trustees, directors, corporation members, staff and agents from any loss, personal injury, accident, misfortune or damage to the herein named or his/her property, with the understanding that reasonable precautions shall be taken to ensure the health and safety of the herein-named camper. This release is for both while the camper is on site and any camp-related off-site trip/activity. Each camper must be covered by Provincial Health Insurance or equivalent medical insurance prior to arrival at camp and must extend throughout their entire time at camp.
5. The parent/guardian agrees to permit reasonable use of photos, videos or other pictures of the applicant camper in promoting InterVarsity Camps and/or camp activities and programs, and/or Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship in general in printed and/or electronic media.
6. InterVarsity Circle Square Ranch encourages our staff to keep in contact with campers periodically throughout the year. I the parent/guardian permit such contact.
7. I give my permission for Inter-Varsity Circle Square Ranch to communicate camp information or registration opportunities to me electronically.
8. The parent/guardian hereby agree to reimburse Inter-Varsity Circle Square Ranch for any willful damages caused by the applicant camper.
9. The use or possession of alcohol, illicit drugs, or cigarettes by campers is strictly prohibited.
10. The parent/guardian agrees to be responsible for the payment of all fees due to the Camp by June 1, 2020. This registration is not complete until all fees are paid.
11. I have read and understand the *Conditions of Enrollment*, including the *Cancellation Policy* and *Camp Information* and hereby accept the conditions listed.

Date

Signature of parent / guardian

AUTHORIZATION FOR TREATMENT

1. I hereby authorize the camp personnel to handle any medical problems with my child during his/her stay at camp.
2. In the event that a camper requires special medication, x-ray, or treatment beyond that which is possible at camp, we will attempt to notify the parents as soon as possible. The parent/guardian will be responsible for any additional expense for additional care or transportation.
3. In case of surgical emergency, I hereby give my permission to the physician selected by the camp director to hospitalize, secure proper treatment for, and order injection, anesthesia, or surgery for my child named on this application.
4. I will inform the camp if my child has had any changes in health, including any communicable disease within the three weeks prior to his/her stay at the camp.
5. InterVarsity Circle Square Ranch has my permission to contact my family doctor as necessary to ensure the best care for my child/ward.
6. I give permission to InterVarsity Circle Square Ranch to give the over the counter medications checked off in the medical form.

Date

Signature of parent / guardian

LICE

Please check your camper's hair for lice and nits before they come to camp.

A lice check is part of our registration process. Any camper found with lice or nits will be asked to do a full lice treatment and nit removal. Campers who have traveled a distance may access our laundry room facilities if needed. If it is determined that a camper has a case of lice that is resistant to treatment or too difficult to treat in a timely manner, they may be required to reschedule their week of camp based on availability.

Your camper's hair must be free from ALL nits and adult lice before they are able to stay at camp.

It is very important to us to do thorough lice checks, however we cannot guarantee that all cases of lice will be found.

Sorry, there are no exceptions or refund of camp fees due to lice. If you have any doubt whether your child has lice or not, please visit your doctor or a company that provides lice checks.



Photos & Emails

Dear Parents,

We are excited to offer one-way email and photo viewing services for our overnight camp programs! Please read the information to learn about how to access these programs.

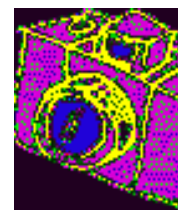
Viewing Photos:

Step 1: Go to www.circlesquareranch.smugmug.com

Step 2: Choose the "2020 Photos" album

Step 3: Choose the photo album for the week your child is at camp.

Step 4: You will then be prompted to enter a password in order to access the secure photos.



Important: You will be given the password to view photos at drop off. If you forget the password, please contact our office. The password for the photo program will only be given to individuals listed on the camper's application for security reasons.

You can browse through the photos and even download as many as you would like for free! Love the pictures from camp? You can also order prints and merchandise at reasonable costs directly from the website. Please note that any online purchases will appear on your credit card statements as SmugMug.

We will do our best to post as many photos as we can. The first batch of photos from the week will be uploaded by Tuesday at lunch. You should expect to see two or three photos of your camper during the week, unless they are feeling camera shy! We think it is important for you to remember that while photos can be a great insight into what is generally happening at camp, a single snapshot should not be used as an assessment tool as to how your campers are doing.



Sending One-Way Emails: If you purchased an email package, you will be able to send up to 10 emails to your child during their week of camp. If you didn't order an email package yet, give us a call and we will add it to your account for the cost of \$10+ HST.

To send one-way emails to your camper, go to www.csranchgrandriver.ca/emails and fill out an email form.

If you have any questions about this service, please give us a call at 519-754-0171 or email us at brantford@csranch.ca



TAKE ME TO CIRCLE SQUARE RANCH!

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Please use Brant (not Brantford) as the city when using Google Maps or a GPS.

From London, Sarnia, etc.

- Take 401 East to 403 Brantford
- Follow 403 to Garden Ave. /Cainsville exit (last Brantford cut-off)
- At the stoplight, turn right onto Garden Ave. (south)
- Turn left onto Hwy # 2 (also called Colborne St. E.) (there is a 'Brooks Sign' store at this corner)
- Ranch is approximately 5km down on the right (south side), just past Langford Church Rd.
- Watch for the Circle Square Ranch sign, our highway number is 1645

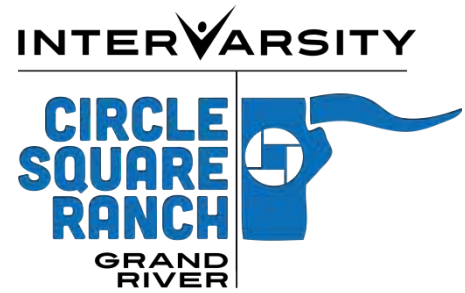
From Hamilton, Mississauga, etc.

- Follow the QEW to 403 West (Hamilton/Brantford)
- Follow 403 West to Wilson St. exit (last Ancaster cut-off)
- At the stoplight, turn left onto Wilson St. (Wilson St. turns into Hwy # 2 / Colborne St. E.)
- Follow Wilson St. / Hwy # 2 for approx. 10 kms
- Ranch is on left (south side), just past White Swan Rd.
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From Cambridge, Kitchener, etc.

- Take Hwy 24 south into Brantford
- In Brantford get on Hwy 403 East – Hamilton (this is a left-hand turn just after Fairview Drive)
- Follow 403 to Garden Ave. /Cainsville exit (last Brantford cut-off)
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Policy for Camper Behaviour

Our Goal:

To provide, to the best of our ability, an enjoyable camping experience for all campers in a safe and caring environment, which we will strive to achieve through clear expectations, awareness, prevention and community development. We value each camper's experience and expect each camper to interact in a positive way with other campers.

Expectation for Staff:

Ensure campers are aware of expectations.

Provide supervision.

Provide tools to support camper and prevent bullying.

Create a safe environment for all campers to discuss situations that require staff assistance.

Communicate with campers if they are not following behaviour expectations and follow up with parents if required.

Expectations for Campers:

Interact with others (staff and campers) in an appropriate manner.

Be redirectable if needed.

Respond to supervision in a manner that ensures their safety.

Understand and generally comply with camp policies regarding language, respecting other people, following the daily schedule, and following instructions of camp staff.

Depending on the circumstances, these steps are used until the desired behaviour is achieved:

Caution: Communicate with camper that their behaviour is unacceptable.

Redirect: Help camper identify appropriate ways to interact with other campers.

Relocate: Either relocate the individual away from the area or move the other campers away from the camper who is not following the behaviour expectations. When the camper is able to follow the behaviour expectations they can return to their activity.

Consultation: Meeting between the camper and the Program Co-ordinator to discuss behaviour expectations with the camper, communicating the difficulties that have been observed/reported. Create a plan with the camper to follow behaviour expectations, and consequences if the difficulties continue.

Contact with parent/guardian: Circle Square Ranch personnel will contact the parent/guardian to explain the situation, ask for input for the camper's behaviour plan, and discuss options.

Second contact to parent/guardian: To arrange the removal of child from the program. If a camper has serious infraction of the behaviour policies, it may be necessary to pick them up immediately, without first and second contact.

In no instance will discipline at camp take the form of physical or psychological punishment. We will administer discipline appropriate to the ranch setting as outlined above.

If you have any questions concerning InterVarsity Circle Square Ranch's Policy for Camper Behaviour, please call the Director at 519.754.0171.