

2019 Camp Mishawaka Travel Information

*All of the information below is also located in your CampInTouch account at mishawaka.campintouch.com

Flying to Camp

Campers flying to Camp are directed to fly into Minneapolis/St. Paul airport (MSP). Campers are met at their gate of arrival by a Mishawaka staff member and taken on to Camp by chartered coach. Session start and end dates are the dates of travel.

Camp Mishawaka partners with Travel One to make travel arrangements for campers. This helps ensure that campers are booked on flights that other camp families are using and arrival and departure times are within the preferred window. In addition, Travel One is able to assist with arrangements for Unaccompanied Minors (UM), expedited check-in on return and negotiated Camp fares. When possible, we try to use Delta Airlines- when fares are competitive and times are in-line. In some cases, Southwest (limited direct flights to MSP) will be the preferred carrier.

A list of preferred flights for a variety of markets is listed in your CampInTouch account. If your route is not listed, we can provide a suggested flight. To book travel, please contact Amy Pagel at 844-803-9683 or email her at apagel@traveloneinc.com

For flights with 10 or more campers, Camp Mishawaka endeavors to provide a camp staff chaperone. A nominal service fee (no more than \$20/camper) will be added to a camper's account to help defray the cost of this service. Staff are able to escort campers through security and keep track of the group in transit. In these cases, a UM service is not required which represents a substantial savings over the \$150 UM fee some airlines charge for each leg of a trip.

We have blocked space for the Chicago (ORD) and Phoenix flights on Delta Airlines. There is limited availability of this negotiated fare, so please book early. These are two routes that we routinely provide camp staff chaperones, as well.

You are free to use miles, or book your own travel if you like. If you do, we ask that you contact us prior to booking to make sure that the times work. In general, arrivals to MSP on opening days should be between 10am and 2pm. Departing flights should not leave MSP before 11am and depart prior to 4 pm on session end dates.

Other Considerations

Flying as an Unaccompanied Minor(UM)- Requirements for campers to fly as a UM vary from airline to airline. Travel One is well-versed in the policies of the different carriers. If required, please pay for this service for both legs of the trip.

If your child/children do fly as UM, please use the following information as party meeting/and dropping off.

Stephen C Purdum, Camp Mishawaka, 21599 Mishawaka Rd, Grand Rapids MN 55744 (cell) 218-259-4853.

Please pay baggage fees for only the trip to Camp. In many instances, because of the volume and relationship with agents, we are able to get them to waive the fee in Minneapolis. If charges are required, we will add this to your camp store account.

Meeting at the Minneapolis/St. Paul Airport

For those families wishing to drop off at the airport, we will be gathered in Terminal 1. Final arrangements will be available as the summer draws near, but we typically have buses that depart MSP at 11am and 2pm. Please use those times when planning. Campers will continue on to Camp on chartered coaches.

Driving to Camp

When at all possible, we discourage dropping campers off on opening day. The drop off can be an anxious time for both parent and child, and arriving at Camp before the group travelling from the airport arrives can sometimes add to this. In addition, a large number of our staff are involved in the airport pick up. We are excited to show you around Camp Mishawaka and if you are debating between dropping off or picking up, we suggest picking your camper up at the end of the session. If you do need to drop your camper off at the start of a session, we ask that you do so after 2pm.

Questions?

Call anytime - Steve Purdum 218-259-4853