

**Upper Arlington Schools
6th Grade Outdoor Camp**

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At Camp Oty'Okwa the goal is to assist our young people in developing awareness, knowledge, skills, and commitment; which in turn will result in informed decisions, responsible behavior, and constructive actions concerning wildlife and the environment upon which all life depends.

FAQs:

- 1. Is 6th grade camp mandatory?** *No, however, we encourage all students to attend as it is an opportunity to bond and have a shared experience with the classmates with whom they will be spending the school year. We want to provide a camp experience that is inclusive for all students. If you have questions about how this might look for your child, please ask!*
- 2. What if my child has never spent the night away from home?** *This is not uncommon! We have had many students who have had their first successful overnight camp experience.*
- 3. Where can I find more information?** *Forms are available right now in the PowerSchool Parent Portal under Student Forms. More in-depth information regarding activities, health care, packing lists, and financial assistance can also be found there.*
- 4. What can my child expect at camp?** *We work to make this a fun and meaningful experience for all students! From an exhilarating amazing race event, to scenic hikes, and fun times with our trained high school counselors - your child will remember their camp experience for years to come.*
- 5. What should I do if my child takes medication?** *Detailed information can be found in PowerSchool, however, be sure to print and then fill out the required Prescribed Medication Authorization form. An additional form regarding dosage and scheduling will be given out at our parent meeting on August 28th OR email Nurse Johnson at if you are unable to attend.*

Important Dates

- August 28: Optional parent meeting in the Jones Auditorium at 7PM
- September 6: Camp Fees - EZPay payment made online
- Sept. 23 - 24: 6 West attends
- Sept. 25 - 26: 6 East attends

Cost

\$165 (Includes transportation, all meals, lodging, and programming) - please pay in EZPay

Location

Camp Oty'Okwa
24799 Purcell Rd
S. Bloomington, Ohio
Phone: 740-385-5279

For your convenience and in an effort to reduce our impact on the environment, no paper packets will be distributed at school. All information can be found electronically.

Sample Schedule:

Monday or Wednesday

8:10	Arrive at school and pack the luggage bus (<i>come dressed for 1st hike</i>)
9:15ish	Load buses
9:30ish	Leave for Camp Oty'okwa
11:00ish	Arrive at Camp Oty'okwa and unload luggage at the large activity barn
11:15	LUNCH: Gazebo/Athletic field. Students/teachers bring their own lunch.
11:45	Head to the Dining Hall for introductions, camp rules and expectations
12:00-3:30	Hike/Activity #1
3:30	After the hike, students will gather their luggage with their high school counselors and head to their cabins
4:00-5:00	Free time on field
4:45	Hoppers report to the Dining Hall
5:00-5:45	Dinner. <i>Family Style</i> , with rules and manners.
5:45-6:15	Cabin Time to prep for the Amazing Race
6:15-6:30	Come to the Athletic Field for the start of the race.
6:30-8:30	AMAZING RACE
8:45-9:15	Snack time in Dining Hall
9:15	Head to Cabins and prepare for bed.
10:00	Lights out

Tuesday or Thursday

7:00	Rise and shine
7:45	Hoppers report to Dining Hall
8:00	Students line up at the flagpole to enter for breakfast.
8:05	Breakfast
9:00 to 11:40	Hike/Activity #2
11:45	Hoppers report to Dining Hall
11:55	Students line up at the flagpole to enter for lunch.
12:00	Lunch
1:00 to 4:00	Hike/Activity #3
4:00 to 4:15	Hikes return to Dining Hall
4:15 to 4:45	Snack in Dining Hall
5:00ish	Load busses and leave camp for home
6:15-6:30	Home Sweet Home