

# Sokol Children's Camping 2022 New Info

## Cell Phone Policy

Campers will not be allowed to use cell phones during camping. Counselors will confiscate any cell phones that are found. Cell phones will be locked in a lockbox until parent pick up. The Camp Staff highly recommends that campers should not have their phones during camping. The Camping Director has final discretion on consequences if a camper's cell phone is found, up to being sent home early.

## SwimSuit Policy

Swimwear should be modest and in good taste for swimming/diving/jumping and other water activities (water balloon, relays on field, etc).

- Swimsuits should fully cover every intimate body part in its entirety.
- Please consider camp activities when choosing swimwear – activities include but are not limited to running, jumping, bending.
- Undergarments are not appropriate swimwear.
- No strapless swimsuits, tube one-piece swimsuits or Men's/Boy's speedos.
- If a camper's swimsuit is deemed to be not appropriate, parents will be asked to deliver an appropriate swimsuit at the mailbox. Until the appropriate swimsuit arrives, a swim shirt/shorts will be worn.

**Volunteers:** All volunteers are expected to comply with swimsuit policy updates listed above.

## Background screenings for all volunteers

Sokol will require background checks through the Missouri Family Care Safety Registry (FCSR) for **all** volunteers at camp – cook, night watch, counselor, counselor in training. In order to volunteer at camp and fulfill the volunteer requirement, you must complete and return the attached background screening form. Failure to complete the form and return it with registration will result in not being allowed to volunteer at camp and cashing of your deposit check. If two members of the same family will be volunteering (ex: both parents night watching on the same night), both are required to complete the form and have a background check completed. No exceptions will be made. You DO NOT need to include the \$ 13 payment listed on the form in order to volunteer. We are aware that many people have already registered with FCSR. We still need a completed form from you even if you are already registered with FCSR. Everyone volunteering will be processed through FCSR, no other background check documentation is wanted/needed. Once your background check is processed, we will receive a copy of the results and you will also receive a copy. You do not have to submit the copy that you receive. If you have any questions regarding the background screening please feel free to contact Marla Breidenbach at [mabreiden@gmail.com](mailto:mabreiden@gmail.com).

This year, in order to better protect your private personal information, we have added another option for background screenings. All background screenings will still be done through the FCSR as they have been in previous years, but you now have the option to run your own background screening and forward results. Please review the attached Worker Registration Form – in order to protect your personal information, we are not collecting this form but all of the blacked-out information will be needed upon phone call to FCSR or with Leslie.

**Please see below and choose the option for your background check that best describes you. Follow the directions listed.**

**OPTION 1**

**I have volunteered at Sokol Children’s camp in the past 5 years and would like to run my own background check.**

- Directions – Call the Family Care Safety Registry at (866) 422-6872. Hours: M-F 8a – 3pm. Press 0. Tell them that you are running the background screening on yourself. They will ask for your Social Security Number and Date of Birth (?) FORWARD EMAILED RESULTS TO [LECHTERWHITE@GMAIL.COM](mailto:LECHTERWHITE@GMAIL.COM).

*You may only request your own background check (you cannot run your family member’s background screening.)  
Feel free to call Leslie at 314-608-5196 if you have any issues/questions with this.*

**OPTION 2**

**I have volunteered at Sokol Children’s camp in the last 5 years and would like Leslie to run my background check via a phone call with her.**

- Text or call Leslie at 314-608-5196. I will run your background screening while we are on the phone together. (A text first will be helpful, so we can make sure we are both available for the phone call.)

**OPTION 3**

**I have never volunteered at Sokol Children’s Camp or have not done so in the past 5 years.**

- Text or call Leslie at 314-608-5196. It will require a phone call (A text first will be helpful, so we can make sure we are both available for the phone call.) We will get you registered with the FCSR and process your background check.

**I have read and understand the above policies.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date-

\_\_\_\_\_ Camper

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

Parent/Guardian