

Frequently Asked Questions

- **Will my child be able to room with a friend?**

There is a line on the forms allowing you to put a name down for a roommate. If both of the applicants put each other down, they will be guaranteed to room together.

- **When do I find out who my roommate is?**

You find out who your roommate is when you check in. It is not listed on the confirmation letter.

- **There is a group of people from the same school; can they have rooms next to one another?**

You can suggest having your rooms next to each other, however, there is no guarantee that the campers will room next to each other. They will however, room with their preferred roommate. There are also only 2 children per room.

- **How are the floors divided?**

The floors are divided by age and school. We try our best to keep groups on the same floor.

- **What are the cancellation policies?**

Each camp has different cancellation policies. There are no full refunds for any of the camps. There will be a fee no matter when or why it is cancelled, because of administration costs.

- **How safe are the dorms?**

There are two to three coaches on each floor of the resident halls. All campers are supervised 24/7. There will always be a coach on the floor during break hours and all through the night. There is also campus security and police officers that patrol the floors.

- **Who is in charge of running the camps?**

Northern Illinois University's head coaches as well as the Assistant coaches run all camps. We also have NIU players, as well as outside coaches from various Universities working the camps as well.

- **Does the camp provide water?**

NIU Sports camps are sponsored by Gatorade. There will be Gatorade stands at every sports site. The campers will be able to fill their water bottles (which they will receive at check in) with Gatorade every time they need a re-fill. Gatorade and water will be accessible at all times during camp.

- **If my child is over 16, can they drive themselves to camp?**

Yes, your child may drive themselves to camp. Please make sure that their parent consent from has been signed and all payments are in prior to camp. So at check-in your child does not run into any problems.

- **Can I have another parent pick my child up at the end of the camp?**

Yes, you can have another parent pick up and even drop off your child. Please send a note with your child giving permission to the adult dropping off and picking up your child.

- **If I were to register for a team camp, what does that entail?**

Prior to registering for a team camp, the roster of your team must be submitted by a coach. This way when you send in your registration, we can verify that indeed your child is part of that specific team.

- **My child is on medication; can they take their medication while at camp?**

Yes, your child can take medication at camp. However, Trainers and coaches are not permitted by law to administer any medications. It will be up to your child to keep and take his or hers own medications. If you have any further questions please contact Jeff Sisson (Director of Trainers at 815-753-4839)

- **If my child has an appointment, can I pick them up and bring them back?**

Yes, you can take your child away from camp and bring them back whenever necessary. Please bring a note prior to camp to let us know when your child will be picked up. You will also have to sign your child out when taking them. It is also your responsibility to find the coaches when dropping them back off.

- **What will happen if my child arrives late to camp?**

If your child is arriving late to camp on the first day, please call us or send us a note of that prior to check in. This way we can make sure that the proper information as well as your child's room key is left at the front desk of the dorms. You will also need to make sure that all payments have been made and all forms are turned in prior to camp.

- **What do I need to bring to camp?**

The beds in the rooms are extra long twin beds. You should bring sheets or a sleeping bag, along with a pillow, towels, a fan, toiletries, sunscreen, swimsuits, alarm clock, socks, shorts, t-shirts, and spending money. Also bring the essentials for your sport. Avoid bringing valuables, because NIU is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

- **Will there be lockers to put my things in?**

No, you will only bring what you need to the site and leave everything else in the dorm room. Don't bring valuables, because NIU is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

- **Are singlets required for wrestling camp?**

They are not required for camp, except for at the NIU Open Wrestling challenge.

- **Is there a football kicker's camp?**

No there is not.

- **What shoes should I bring for soccer?**

Bring a pair of normal shoes and an extra pair of athletic shoes. Bring indoor shoes also if they are required

- **Where do I check in?**

Typically residential camps check in at Grant Towers South and day camps check in at the camp site, but check your registration confirmation for the location to be sure.

- **Do commuters check in the same as residents?**

Yes, commuters check in at the same time and place as residents.

- **Are the commuters fed during the camps?**

The commuters receive lunch and dinner while at camp

- **What if I have questions on specific training that will be going on during the camp?**

Specific questions should be referred to the coaches of the camp. Their numbers are in the camps brochure

- **Is there any way to speed up the registration before camp?**

Yes, if you would like to speed up the registration process you can send the parental consent form before camp. The best way to do this is via fax.

- **Can I write one check for two children?**

Yes you can write one check for two children.

- **Are there scholarships for any of the camps?**

There are sometimes scholarships for the camps. This is up to the coaches of that camp. If a child would like a scholarship, they can e-mail us with the camp they wish to attend and it will be considered.