

THE CHIRRUP

Week 6

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Session three has gotten off to a exciting start! The sun has been shining and activities have been grooving along. Special events like Old Vermont Day have spiced things up even further. And of course, the highlight of the week was the return of the Apprenterns from their trip to Alaska. We all can't wait to see what's in store for the rest of the session!

WHAT DID YOU DO TODAY?

Human Battleship

Today at camp we played real life battleship. We had people blindfolded and another person directed them to try to tag a canoe. It was fun and at the end we jumped off the tower to try and soak the paddlers. I also liked it because I got to swim later than usual.

Tristan Emmet, Cabin Breeze



Mountain Biking

I really like camp because of the activity mountain biking. I really like mountain biking because it's really fun. There are a couple of trails to go on: the Maple Sugar Run, the Snake Path, the Wooden Barrel Run, and Camp Lane. My favorite trail is the Snake Path, because you can go really fast and it's hard. A lot of people who go to mountain biking like the Wooden Barrel trip because you get some food and drinks at the end of it. The counselors are all great and they are really fun and just well rounded. These are the reasons I like camp and mountain biking.

Aaron Desforges, Cabin Gale

Forging All Day Long

Today in forge I made a necklace. First I heated up the piece of metal in the fire. Then I repeated the process until I had my desired shape. Then I put a hole in the metal with a tool. After that I separated the shape with a chisel. It was really fun and Pete (the guy that runs the forge) was very nice and helped me out a lot.

Elliot Peaper, Cabin 6



At The Woodshop



Today I made a basketball hoop in woodshop. Me and a friend thought it up and made it. It was really fun and we set it up in the cabin. All I have to do is make the ball for it tomorrow and we'll all shoot at it from our bunks. I call in Bunkball.

Conor Scott, Cabin 6

These have been some of the best times of my life. I made a rocket on the first day of the new session. It was really fun to do. Camp is great but it is better with friends in it. The activities are really fun to do, especially Woodshop. I hope it is this fun for the rest of the time that I'm here.

Andy O'Neill, Cabin 8



Of all the places at Camp Sangamon, woodshop just might be the best. There's staff, CITs, and interns that are really good with wood working. I recently made a stool for my cabin and, with the help of the intern Jacob, it was really easy! There are saws to cut your wood to the exact length and lots of different lengths of screws. You can make anything, from a basketball hoop to a shelf. If you haven't yet, you should definitely check out Woodshop.

Kalil Nasrani, Cabin 4

At Camp Sangamon I made a bench in woodshop. It was super fun! I nailed, measured, and hammered. My favorite thing was sanding and painting it.

Jude Silverstein, Cabin 1

Treehouse

Sangamon is making a treehouse!
You can help build it if you want.
One time we were collecting bark
for the walls and another time we
got ready to deliver a tree that
was very resistant to rot. We don't
know exactly what it will be like
when it's finished but it sure is
fun!

Zephyr Schermerhorn, Cabin 1





Frisbee Time

On Wednesday night in the pasture we played a crazy game of ultimate frisbee, interrupted every so often by a look at the sunset. It ended with a pretty close score and high fives and handshakes on the way back to cabins. Needless to say the seven o'clock games that night were a blast!

Adam Canney. Cabin 4

Hikes and Trips

On my fourth day at camp, some other campers and I went on a beautiful hike up Rattlesnake Cliff. On the drive there and back the music in the van was really good. The hike up was almost two hours and when we got there we were amazed by the view. You could see lots of trees, a lake or two, other trails, and turkey vultures. We then hiked down and towards the bottom and took a dip at the Falls of Lana on the way down. When we got back we were just in time for dinner.

Benji Scott, Cabin 6



Our Time In Alaska

Recently we (the Apprenterns) went on a trip to Alaska. We saw moose, caribou, marmots, and tons of other beautiful wildlife. We started off by flying into Fairbanks and then going fairly close to Pinnell Mountain Trail. Our hike was five days long, over 27 miles, and had several mountains. The mountains were in the Tundra, which meant there were no trees growing because it was so far north, except for in a few valleys. There were no grasses either, only moss and lichen. We couldn't see any sign of civilization nearby for almost the entirety of the hike. It was such a weird feeling being that isolated but the hike was still amazing. After the Pinnell hike, we then traveled south to Denali National State Park. After hiking around the park for a few days, camp surprised us with a plane flight to the top of Denali, the highest mountain in North America. It was an amazing experience and we even landed on a glacier and had a snowball fight. Then, after Denali, we drove back to Fairbanks, where we spent a day at their Alaska State Fair, which was similar to the Addison County Fair we often go to with camp. Overall, the trip was an absolutely amazing and a once in a lifetime experience.

Sincerely,

The Apprenterns

Scenes From Alaska



Waterfront Fun!

Today for first period I went down to the waterfront to take my first swim lesson of the session. We worked on breast stroke and tried to work on butterfly. Plus I learned how to dive. After the lesson, I went to Arts and Crafts and made some Sangamon magic cards. So far my first year at Sangamon has been going great! I already want to come back next year!

Asa Witte-Parad, Cabin 4

Bows and Arrows

Today I did archery. I was so excited when I learned that Sangamon had it. It was so fun and I moved up to the farther away target very fast. It is very fun to challenge my friends. I think everyone should try Archery.

Rowan Muzzy, Cabin 6



D-I-P. DIP!

I did the dip at 7:45 today. It was hard to wake up but once I did it was fun. We yelled across the lake to the mountains and it echoed very loudly. I'm gonna do it every day after this.

Conor Scott, Cabin 6



CABIN LIFE

The cabins are really nice and the beds are really comfortable and the fireplace is nice. You can sit on the trunks as furniture or you can use the woodshop to make a real piece of furniture.

Nate Crofton, Cabin 6

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