

Asahi Schools of Aikido Martial Arts Summer Camp Guidelines 2008

June 17, 2008 – July 31, 2008

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays

The Asahi Schools of Aikido offers children ages 4-11 a supervised recreational program including exercise, martial arts, special events, and games.

Camp Hours: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays- Little Samurais 10am-10:30 am, Youth Samurais, 10:30am-11:15am.

*Each class will accept a maximum of 12 children.

Parents are reminded that our staff is available during the regular camp hours stated above. Campers arriving early and staying late are the responsibility of the parent. Please be sure to pickup and drop-off your children at the stated times.

FEES

\$280.00

\$250.00 Each additional child

All children must be from the same household in order to qualify for the discount.

ABSENCES

Please notify the campsite if your child will be absent. If your child is absent due to a contagious condition, please notify us, so that other parents can be notified that their child has been exposed to any condition. Please consult with your Physician before notifying us so that we may give accurate information.

NOTE: There will be no fee reduction or reimbursement for absences.

STAFFING

The staff for the Asahi Schools of Aikido Summer Camp are qualified and trained to provide quality care and instruction to all our campers.

DROP-OFF & PICK-UP PROCEDURES

In the interest of extended safety for all our campers, the camp will operate on a strict procedure for camper drop-off and pick-up. The system is simple, but will require the cooperative efforts of parents and staff.

All campers must be dropped off by a parent. Parents must sign in their child(ren) directly with the instructor for the day. Children will not be accepted into the class for the day if their parent did not sign them in.

All campers must be picked up from the camp by a parent. Parents must sign out their child(ren) directly with the instructor for the day. If a child is going home with someone who is not their parent on a designated day, both parents must send in a written note to notify the instructor prior to the class beginning.

As our facility does not have a bathroom, please be sure your child uses the bathroom prior to attending class.

The Asahi Schools of Aikido Director may be contacted at (610) 489-6281.

Little Samurai children may not be dropped off prior to 9:50am and must be picked up no later than 10:35pm, Youth Samurai children may not be dropped off prior to 10:20am and must be picked up no later than 11:25am. These are the normal operating hours for our sites and a late charge of \$5 per child will be assessed at every 5-minute increment past the designated pick up time.

DISCIPLINARY POLICY & PROCEDURE

Asahi Schools of Aikido Summer Camp Program disciplinary practices shall be directed toward teaching the child acceptable behavior to help self-esteem with consistent and individualized levels of understanding and never be humiliating, frightening or physically harmful to the child.

Consistent disregard for camp disciplinary policies may result in the following types of measures:

Loss of Privileges: Time Out, sitting off to the side, may have to sit with the instructor, may lose game time or activity privileges. May be suspended from daily activity such as games, calligraphy, etc.

And /Or, the instructor or other staff will speak directly to the parent/guardian at drop off or pick up time and/or a telephone call will be made to the parent/guardian.

And/Or, the parent/guardian may be required to meet in person with the head instructor or general instructor to discuss resolutions,

And /Or, suspension depending on the nature of the incident: The instructor may suspend (or expel- pending severity) a child from attending camp for a 1-3 day period. The site instructor will determine the length of suspension.

And / Or, expulsion from the camp. If the child's behavior is deemed inappropriate enough or if there are numerous infractions a child may be involuntarily withdrawn from the camp. Parents should be notified immediately and the fees are not refundable. Since the Samurai Camp Program is only seven weeks respectively, disciplinary action pertaining to camp dismissal is based on a cumulative incident occurrence basis, rather than on a time-period basis. Asahi Schools of Aikido is responsible for the safety of all the summer program participants, and consistent and continual disregard for camp policies and procedures cannot be tolerated. If a child interferes with the proper or safe functioning of the program, we will notify the parents of the situation and ask for the parents' help in resolving the problem. In many instances, making parents aware of the situation will correct any problems. Foul language, vandalism and fighting will not be tolerated. Any child committing these three offences will be subject to disciplinary action up to and including involuntary withdraw from the camp.

The camp instructor will be responsible for the discipline of the campers. These are the guideline for actions to be taken:

1. In order to be most effective, immediate consequences for misbehavior should be known in advance.
2. Physical punishment – spanking, pinching, slapping – are not to be used. Group punishments should be avoided. At no time should an instructor place a child in an unsafe environment to gain control. The instructor will shout at the child only if there is need to warn of immediate danger.
3. Removal of activity privileges may be used for serious infractions or for cumulative ones.
4. All children should be directed to appropriate behavior rather than continually spoken to in negative terms, such as “Do this” rather than “Don’t do this.”

CAMPER'S POLICY

The Asahi Schools of Aikido have established a list of items that children are prohibited to bring to camp. The prohibited items are as follows:

*Radios *Walkman *Beepers * I pods * Two-way hand held Radios *Video games *Laser pointers * Cell Phones *Toy guns *Make-up *Nail Polish * Roller Shoes

***Cell phones should be left at home. The instructor will have a cell phone should a child need to contact you.

- * *Roller Shoes/Roller Sneakers are prohibited at camp. **NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE.**
- **No shoes or sneaker are to worn on the matted area.**

If a child brings these items mentioned above to camp, it will be taken away from them and returned to his/her parent at the end of the day. These items are banned in order to eliminate any disruption or safety concerns that may arise while using them. Asahi Schools of Aikido or its staff is not responsible for lost, damaged or stolen property of any of our campers or program users.

MEDICATION POLICY

Many children attending our program require some form of medication. Instructors are not permitted to administer any medication (including aspirin) to any children. It is up to the parent and the child to administer all medications.

REFUND POLICY

Parents wishing to withdraw their child from our program are entitled to the following: There will be **NO** refunds given for Asahi Schools of Aikido Summer Camp unless cancellation for camp is given in writing, 15 days prior to the camp start date of June 17, 2008. All cancellations are subject to a \$50.00 processing fee.

Thank you for your support of Asahi Schools of Aikido Summer Martial Arts Camp program. These policies and procedures that are stated in this guideline are designed for your child's safety.

Contact Information:

Asahi Schools of Aikido Camp Directors

Michael Aloia

Cheri Poole

Collegeville, PA

610-489-6281

newsletter@asahidojo.com