



We are thrilled that you will be joining us for camp in our summer 2025 season!

When you sign up for your session(s) through Civic Champs, make sure you take note of the date range and location! There are 2 different sessions at each of our partnering locations.

Camp Henry

Dates

Session 1 Training: May 30, 2025 at 7:00pm

Session 1 with Campers: May 31 - June 3, 2025

Session 2 Training: June 3, 2025 at 7:00pm

Session 2 with Campers: June 4-7, 2025

Address:

5575 S Gordon Ave
Newaygo, MI

Parking Information

You can park in the main parking lot, this is at the bottom of a winding hill.

Camp Blodgett

Dates

Session 1 Training: Jun 22, 2025 at 7:00pm

Session 1 with Campers: June 23 - 26, 2025

Session 2 Training: June 26, 2025 at 7:00pm

Session 2 with Campers: June 27 - 30, 2025

Address:

10451 Lakeshore Ave
West Olive, MI

Parking Information

You won't enter the main, paved driveway of Camp. Look for the Volunteer Parking signs on the west side of the road. You'll enter a gate and park in a grassy area for orientation.

Training and Orientation

New Counselor Zoom Orientation

Orientation for new counselors will be held via Zoom on May 12, 2025.

- **This orientation is required for all new counselors.**
- Returning counselors are strongly encouraged to join but not required.

Online Training Modules

This year we will be offering online training modules to prepare for Camp! **These must be completed by every counselor prior to your arrival at camp**, but they can be viewed whenever is convenient for your schedule. You will get an email in April with further instructions and a link for our Google Classroom.

In-Person Training & Orientation

The training dates are specified above. If you are attending sessions at different camp locations, you are expected to be at 1 training for each location. If you have questions, please text Mariah at **(616) 209-8373**.

- Please eat dinner prior to arriving at camp; **dinner will not be provided!**
- Breakfast and lunch **will** be provided during training.
- Plan to spend the night at camp beginning with the evening you arrive.



2025 Theme: Brave

Being Brave is about stepping into the unknown, taking on challenges, and being vulnerable in the pursuit of growth and connection. At Camp, bravery shows up in countless ways: trying a new activity, making a new friend, volunteering for the first time, or simply showing up to camp. It's about facing fears and leaning into moments of discomfort with courage and confidence. Get ready to be **brave!**

Check Out Process

Please be prepared to be at camp until **1:00PM** on the final day of your selected session(s). Once campers are checked out, we will have a time together as volunteers for a small reflection and preparing camp for the next session. We will provide a hearty snack on closing day.

Invite Your Friends!

Camp is more fun with friends! If you have a friend who you think would enjoy camp as well, invite them to apply! When your friend is applying they can make a cabin request for you to be in the same cabin. While we can't always accommodate these requests, we do our best.

Talent Show

At the end of each session, we host a Talent Show for all our amazing campers to showcase their talents. These evenings are often the highlight of camp for both counselor and camper! We'd love for your friends and family to come experience a taste of camp by joining us at a Talent Show!

Invite your friends and family to join us at the Talent Show on one of the following dates at 6:30 PM!

Camp Henry

- ✦ June 2
- ✦ June 6

Camp Blodgett

- ✦ June 25
- ✦ June 29

Packing List:

Clothing

- Casual clothing for the outdoors
- Jeans or long pants for cooler weather
- Shorts
- T-shirts
- Socks, underwear, undergarments
- Swimsuit
- Warm jacket or sweatshirts
- Rain jacket, poncho or umbrella
- 2 pairs of shoes, 1 closed toe/athletic
- Sandals for the beach, pool, shower

Label your items, especially water bottles, towels, & outerwear.

Personal Items

- Toothbrush/toothpaste
- Shower supplies
- Deodorant
- Shaving supplies
- Glasses/contact lenses
- Medication (will be stored w/ med staff during camp)
- Insect repellent
- Sunscreen
- Bath towel/washcloth
- Beach towel
- Hairbrush/comb

Sleeping

- Sleeping bag and/or twin sheets and blanket set
- Pillow

Miscellaneous

- Small backpack
- Water bottle
- Dirty clothes bag
- Fun outfit/costume
- Flashlight
- Sunglasses/hat

Please make sure your clothes and swimwear allow for a full range of motion during athletic activity and physically assisting campers. Attire should not have profanity or political statements and be honoring to all people. Bring clothes that are ok to get messy in!



Sample Schedule:

<p>8:15 AM Breakfast</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meals are enjoyed together family style with about 8-10 people at each table. • Typical meals include: pancakes, muffins, cereal, french toast, sausage, cinnamon rolls, hash browns, eggs, yogurt, etc. • Alternative food options will be provided based on dietary needs and restrictions noted in application for all meals and snacks.
<p>9:00 AM Story & Singing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This time typically includes an interactive story relating to our theme. • We encourage pairs to connect and engage with one another during this time. • Get ready to sing! Song books with the lyrics are provided. You can also prepare by listening to songs on our YouTube channel. • Our musicians will lead, but campers often love to join. Embrace your uninhibited side, let loose, and have fun! • If this time feels too loud or busy, we have sound-canceling headphones and the option to move to a spot that feels most comfortable.
<p>10:00 AM Morning Activities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During this time we divide into two groups to rotate between creative expressions and recreation activities. Opportunities vary from year to year and may include: • Blodgett: olympics, team challenges, archery, ropes course, beach/pool, etc. • Henry: horseback riding, archery, low ropes course, big swing, boat rides, water obstacle courses, etc. • We will have theme-related crafts planned daily to explore our creative side. This time is not about perfection, but expressing and celebrating individual creativity.
<p>12:00 PM Lunch</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Served family-style, similar to breakfast. • Typical meals: pizza, sandwiches, hamburgers, tacos, salad bar, fruit, etc. • Group singing & fun motions is a highlight at camp each year with our live band.
<p>1:00 PM Rest</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All campers go back to their cabin and have time to rest. • Typical choices include nap, journal, or other independent / quiet activities. • Each cabin is monitored by a counselor during this time.
<p>2:30 PM Afternoon Activities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Campers will have a variety of options to choose from each day. Options may include: swimming, crafts, bingo, karaoke, basketball, etc. • Snacks are offered during this time and can be picked up whenever desired. Typical snacks include: goldfish, veggie straws, fruit snacks, granola bars, pretzels, etc.
<p>5:30 PM Dinner</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Served family-style, similar to breakfast and lunch. • Typical meals: casserole, hot sandwiches, lasagna, veggies, fruit, salad bar, etc.
<p>6:30 PM Evening Activities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities vary by year. Previous activities have been a dance, comedy show, cabin challenges, lawn games. • On the final night of camp we host the annual Talent Show. Public is invited to attend.
<p>8:30 PM Snack & Reflection</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We end our day by joining together for a final snack, a few songs and final reflections as the sun sets. • Campers and counselors head back to prepare for bed. Once campers are settled, counselors have additional reflection time with fellow counselors.

