
ECOSUPERIOR SUMMER PROGRAM CAMPER CODE OF CONDUCT

At EcoSuperior Environmental Programs, we work towards achieving greater environmental stewardship in Northwestern Ontario and the Lake Superior Basin through engagement, education, collaboration, action and leadership.

Our Summer Program has been designed to highlight the wonderful wildlife, water resources, cultural heritage and environmental education qualities of Thunder Bay and Lake Superior.

Although each week of our Summer Program offers a unique theme, we will focus on water conservation and protection, with respect to Lake Superior and the Lake Superior ecosystem.

Many activities, guest speakers, field trips (walking, cycling, community transportation, or otherwise!) have been organized for this summer and it takes teamwork and respect from staff and participants to ensure a safe, fun, outdoor learning environment for all!

Please review the following rules of conduct for program participants. In addition to these rules, please review our discipline policy to ensure both parents/guardians and participants are aware of consequences should they need to be implemented.

1. **Respect yourself, others, the environment and property.** Abusiveness toward others or using inappropriate language, fighting, etc. will not be permitted. Since programming takes place outdoors, at the Central Natural Environment Gardens, or other locations (i.e. McIntyre River), property damage (purposeful destruction of trees, running through gardens), graffiti or vandalism will not be tolerated.
2. **Participate in program activities.** Our program is limited to twelve participants each week and we maintain a 1:6 ratio of staff to participants. We require that participants be supervised at all times and not be left unattended. Therefore, we are unable to provide extended attention focussed on an individual participant. We encourage campers to try all planned activities and interact with other participants. Participants must be supervised at all times and cannot be left alone. If a participant requires one-on-one care, a caregiver/guardian must participate in the program with the child at all times. If a volunteer is assisting with the program on any given day, this does not change our staff to participant ratio, nor will this individual be made available for one-on-one supervision.
3. **Follow directions.** There are a lot of fun things to do during the Summer Program but every activity has rules so we can operate the activity safely and appropriately. We ask participants to follow staff direction during these activities.

4. **No put-downs.** Examples of this would include teasing, name-calling, racial slurs or inappropriate practical jokes.