



## Camp Tuhsmehta Missing Camper Policies and Procedures

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### In the event of a missing camper:

- Make sure all group leaders are aware of the missing camper.
- Call the Camp T site director (517-282-3917) or the Camp T high-adventure consultant (517-643-7352).
- Determine the last seen location, description of clothes, hair color, etc.
- The Camp T site director will organize a search of the campgrounds.

### A search of the campgrounds includes the following procedures:

- The site director will remain at Center Island while the search is conducted to provide relevant information to incoming law enforcement or search team personnel.
- Visitors should remain in a group until the search is concluded.
- Key camp area designations for searches are as follows:
  - Area A: White Pine Lodge, behind White Pine, and the trails.
  - Area B: Garden, road to the cabins, Birch and Maple lodges (both levels), Hickory Lodge, trail from cabins to amphitheater, and back to the garden area.
  - Area C: Center Island and tent area, Roth Cabin, Red Pine, and assist with waterfront.
  - Area D: White Pine Lodge to the road entrance to Thompson's Bridge, Jack Pine area (including archery and climbing tower), sports field and return to White Pine Lodge.
  - Area E: Stairs toward waterfront and road to waterfront, boathouse and dock, enclosed water area, and deep area with swimmers.
  - Area F: The trail to Oak Recreation Center, area around Elm, and the nature center.

- Signaling devices for the search include a whistle, an air horn, text messaging and/or phone calls.
- When the Red Pine Pavilion bell rings continuously or a text message/cell phone call indicates the search is concluded, searchers will gather back at Center Island.
- Phone calls, as soon as appropriate, should be made to family members; Camp T staff will make calls, as appropriate, to MDE supervisors and the Bureau for Child and Adult Licensing (BCAL) camp consultant.