

HIGH MEADOWS HAPPENINGS

2025 Camp Newsletter



Session 1, Week 1
June 2-6, 2025

THIS WEEK AT CAMP



Grasshoppers enjoy time on the playground!



An intense game of Gaga Ball went down for the Juniors.



Pony rides are in full swing and have brought out bravery and joy in the campers!



Campers cool off in the pool.



Super Seniors pose with woodworking projects.



Super Seniors play on the Meadow.



There's always a tree to climb at camp!



CITs fold the flag at the end of the day.



A Senior Legend camper plays a game with his counselor.



Sports Fan Day was a hit on Friday!

SPOTLIGHTS & VALUES

New Animal Spotlight: Ollie

Ollie joined us in the fall of 2024 and is loved by our High Meadows School students! He was excited to meet all of the campers this week. Campers are learning about different breeds, and diving into the basics of animal care and barnyard safety. Senior campers are working hard on their knighthood activities, spending time grooming horses, caring for the Animal Care Garden, and taking on barn responsibilities. Ollie is a blonde Quarter Horse, and you will often spot him exploring the Lower Meadow or giving pony rides. He is 29 years old and joined us from Barnyard Manager Katie Kerner's farm. Did you know that he measures 14.2 hands? In English speaking countries, horses are occasionally measured in hands. One hand is equal to four inches, so Ollie measures 56.2 inches or "Fourteen-Two."



Value of the Week: Confidence

High Meadows campers have confidence in their skills and ability to explore and express themselves. Campers have the confidence to work and problem solve independently and take pride in their many accomplishments. They have positive attitudes and are enthusiastic! We emphasize confidence to inspire campers to try new things and maintain a positive attitude throughout their camp experience. We hope that you take time each week to discuss the value of the week with your camper!



SPOTLIGHTS & VALUES

New Animal Spotlight: Maple & Mint

Meet Maple (brown-haired) and Mint (white-haired) , two new additions to the barnyard! They arrived before the start of the spring semester when Maple was just five weeks old, and Mint was six weeks old. The campers have loved seeing Maple and Mint wander our 42-acre campus, graze the grass, and interact with the community.

Maple and Mint are Katahdin lambs. Did you know that the Katahdin breed of sheep has hair instead of wool? They get their hair brushed and shed hair on their own so they will not be shorn. During Barnyard classes at camp this week, students were introduced to these sweet lambs. We are thrilled to have them as part of our crew and love watching them grow and thrive at High Meadows.



New Animal Spotlight: Tinkerbell

Meet Tinkerbell! She is a 19-year-old Welsh Pony and will be one of our barnyard members through July.

Our campers enjoyed introducing themselves to Tinkerbell during the first week, and we look forward to a fantastic summer with her and the other barnyard animals! Please help us welcome Tinkerbell to High Meadows School & Camp.

June 9-13, 2025

12:00

June 11

Cowboys & Aliens Day

June 11

Senior Legend Lake Trip

June 12

Senior Legend Overnight

June 13

Barnyard/Zoo Day

June 13

Hot Dog Cookout

**Save These Events in
Your Phone!**

***Mark your
calendars
for these
Week Two
Events!***

HOT DOG COOKOUT MENU

Hot Dogs
(Kosher / Halal / Vegetarian
options available)

- CARROTS
- CHIPS
- COOKIES

UNIT UPDATES

Grasshopper Gazette (Richard)

Grasshoppers had an absolutely fantastic first week of camp! They bonded with their counselors and made new friends. In Arts & Crafts, they got creative sculpting clay bugs that showcased their artistic flair. At the barnyard, they met some adorable furry friends and even enjoyed a pony ride! During nature activities, the kids crafted their very own magic wands using sticks, rocks, and leaves, letting their imaginations run wild. They also learned about Delores the Dragon during traditions and started writing her letters, adding a touch of magic to their week. We can't wait to see what adventures week two will bring! We have openings in Grasshoppers (Rising K) for sessions two & three. [Register here!](#)



Juniors Journal (Sydney & Kayla)

Juniors had an awesome first week meeting our counselors, getting camp t-shirts, and making group posters. We had a blast playing foursquare, riding on the tire swing, and playing zebratonicus, bomber ball, and one-ball dodgeball. We splashed around at the pool, made play-doh in Discovery, and got to create our own clay creatures in Arts & Crafts. We loved meeting the barnyard animals and riding ponies, and we are so excited for another great week of camp!



Super Seniors Squad (Jennifer & Steven)

Super Seniors have had a rockin' good week! We've been learning the names of all our new friends and even some new camp song lyrics! We played zebratonicus tag, 4-ball soccer, ultimate football, and bomber ball at Sports. We also began our Woodworking projects and are working on honing our skills in Archery. We played poison ivy during Nature class and made some very unique dinosaurs during Arts & Crafts. Everyone got their camp t-shirts on Friday and we're all looking forward to another exciting week of camp!



Senior Quest Quips (Morgan)

Senior Quest had a transcendent first week of camp. We forged powerful bonds as we connected with our new castles. We braved the bomber ball courts and bared our souls on stage with Livestock. We are thrilled to return on Monday for another life-changing week at High Meadows Camp.



Senior Legend Latest (Tyler)

Senior Legend had an awesome first week of camp. Campers had the opportunity to make their own schedules and begin working on knighthood. We ended the week by having a Livestock skit, where each castle showed what High Meadows would look like if it was a camp for adults rather than for children. We cannot wait for another action-packed week!

An Update on **Wednesday's Lake Trip**: Victoria Beach on Lake Alatoona, where we have gone for many years, is currently closed. We are considering alternatives and will inform Seniors as soon as we have confirmed an appropriate location.



Thursday (June 12) is the **Senior Legend Overnight event**. It's a highlight of camp! Please bring:

- A mess kit (we encourage reusable plastic) for dinner and for the cookout on Friday
- A sleeping bag, pillow, sleepwear/toiletries, and attire for Barnyard/Zoo Day
- Any evening/morning medication must be turned into a counselor in the prescribed bottle along with any instructions needed. Please fill out and turn in the Authorization for Medication Form found at this [link](#), which you may email to camp@highmeadows.org or print and turn it in to counselor.

The menu for the Overnight event includes:

- Nacho Bar (with a Peanut/ Peanut-Free Butter & Jelly sandwich alternative)
- Popsicles and/or ice cream sandwiches for dessert.
- Cereals, assorted fruits ... and of course donut trivia for breakfast!



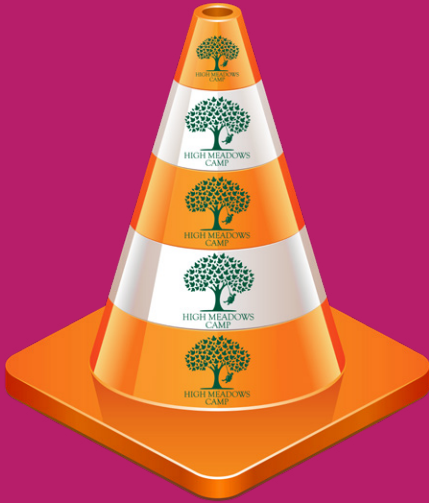
CIT Corner (Rey & Danielle)



The CITs have had a most amazing first week interacting with our High Meadows units and campers. We have formed new bonds with campers that will help the CITs gain the experience and confidence to become future counselors. We look forward to our continued partnership and growth experiences.



CAMP OFFICE REMINDERS



Important Carpool Announcement

Parents and guardians, our security officer directs traffic on Willeo Road during camp carpool to make it a smooth, quick process. We know your children are eager to get to camp and just as eager to tell you about their day when it's over! Please assist our officer by using your turn signals, and please use both lanes when entering the driveway. Thank you!



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