



Wahanowin Technology Policy

Things have changed a lot since we were kids. Technology has become so ingrained in our lives that it is difficult to imagine how we would get by without our phones, computers, tablets...etc. But camp is different. Camp is a wonderful opportunity to be screen free and focus on real live friendships.

WHAT CAMPERS CANNOT BRING TO CAMP

As innovation continues to move at such a rapid pace, we feel this is a good opportunity to reiterate that **campers are not to bring any devices that are capable of communicating with other devices which include, but are not limited to, the following:**

1. phones;
2. tablets;
3. computers;
4. watches or fitbits that can send messages with wifi access; *or*
5. ipods or other mp3 devices that can send messages with wifi access.

WHAT CAMPERS CAN BRING TO CAMP

Campers can, of course, bring regular watches. They can also bring music playing devices that do not have any screens or wifi capacity.

WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER

The success of our technology policy relies on the camp and families working together. The feedback from our parent community has been overwhelmingly in favour of our mission to make camp a 'technology free' zone for campers to benefit the campers.

It is our sincere hope that we never have to deal with any breaches of our technology policy. In order to avoid any unfortunate misunderstandings, we think that it is fair to confirm in advance the consequences for breaking the policy.

WHAT IS OUR POLICY

Any camper who brings a prohibited device to camp will be asked to go home for a period of five days. If that same camper is caught with a prohibited device a second time, they will be asked to leave camp for the duration of their scheduled time at camp. We will not refund any amount for a breach or breaches of this policy.

Our campers get enormous benefits from being away from their devices while at camp and this policy is in effect to demonstrate how strongly we believe in camp being a 'technology free' zone for our campers. That said, we feel it is only fair to confirm our mandate to Wahanowin families in advance so that you can discuss it with your children. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about our technology policy.

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