



# 2019 Reading Camp

An innovative outreach project of Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Indiana-Kentucky



**Lutheran Hills — June 9-14 (entering grades 3-4-5-6)**  
**Lake Luther — July 14-19 (entering grades 3-4-5-6)**  
**Lutherwald — July 28-August 2 (entering grades 3-4-5-6)**

There are children everywhere who are in danger of "at-risk futures" because they are unable to read at a proficient level. Reading Camp Director, Cleo Swager recruits and organizes a group of volunteer professionals who provide reluctant and struggling readers with the opportunity to improve their reading skills.

**READING CAMP** is a true camp experience that doesn't look or feel like school. The setting, approach, and materials are new to the children who participate. Each child receives individual and small group instruction in reading material of their choice and is encouraged to develop a love for the written word. **READING CAMP** is truly a "failure free" experience.

**THE PROGRAM.** Campers use the morning and a session in the afternoon to participate in six learning centers each day. In these centers, the campers participate in various games and activities to build their confidence and skills in several areas. Our small groups and committed staff are able to accommodate various learning styles and ability levels. The rest of the day is filled with fun outdoor camp activities led by college-aged counselors—swimming, canoeing and kayaking, group games, hikes and evening campfire programs. By the end of the week, our goal is to have campers gain confidence in their reading because of the success that they experience at camp.

**SKILLS PRACTICED** and learned during Reading Camp include:

- Phonics
- Decoding / Encoding
- Writing
- Reading Comprehension
- Vocabulary Development
- Reading Strategies

**ELIGIBILITY.** Students having completed 2nd grade and entering grades 3 through 6 and are:

- Reluctant readers
- Struggling with literacy skills
- Not keeping up with their peers
- Recommended by their teachers

**COST.** Reading Camp is free! The cost of the camp is underwritten by generous donors, special offerings, fundraising projects, and the voluntary gifts of grateful parents.





**YOU CAN HELP!** We invite you to be a part of our Reading Camp funding team by sending donations to: Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Indiana-Kentucky (LOMIK), 5215 North 450 West, Angola IN 46703.

**TO REGISTER:** Mail one completed form per camper to Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Indiana-Kentucky, 5215 N 450 W, Angola IN 46703. Voluntary donations are very much appreciated. Questions? Contact Cleo Swager (260) 306-3038.

**PRE-CAMP INFORMATION VIA EMAIL.** Soon after receipt of registration, you will receive a packet of information at your email address which includes: confirmation of your week, a checklist of what to bring to camp, when the camp session starts and ends, health form and directions to camp. You can also download maps, camp checklist, and health form at [www.lomik.org](http://www.lomik.org)

**ATTENTION TEACHERS:** If you would like to see what happens at reading camp or are considering volunteering, please contact Cleo Swager (260) 306-3038 or e-mail at [cm\\_swager@yahoo.com](mailto:cm_swager@yahoo.com) to make arrangements to observe at any site.



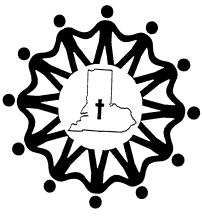
**REGISTER FOR THE CAMP LOCATED NEAR YOU...**

**Lake Luther (July 14-19)** is located in Steuben County. Address: 5215 N 450 W, Angola IN.

**Lutherwald (July 28-August 2)** is located in LaGrange County. Address: 2065 W State Road 120, Howe IN.

**Lutheran Hills (June 9-14)** is located in Brown County near Bloomington IN. Address: 6371 Bear Creek Rd, Morgantown IN.





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Website: www.lomik.org

## 2019 READING CAMP CADET APPLICATION

### Reading Camp Session Preference:

- Lutheran Hills – June 9-14       Lake Luther – July 14-19       Lutherwald – July 28-August 2

### Personal Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_  Male  Female  
           first                            middle                            last

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### Church Membership

Congregation \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor \_\_\_\_\_

### Student Status

- High School      Year Entering:  Jr.     Sr.
- Other (please explain) \_\_\_\_\_

*Note: You may also list volunteer experience*

### Employment History

1. Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ Dates \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_
2. Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ Dates \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Certifications**

Indicate current American Red Cross certifications (or equivalents) held:  
Will have by 6/1 Currently have

- Lifeguarding Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_
- First Aid Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_
- CPR Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_
- Other Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Faith Community Experience**

**PREVIOUS CAMP EXPERIENCE**

Have you attended summer camp as a camper? Yes No  
If so, briefly describe your camp experience  
(e.g. camp name, when, type of program) \_\_\_\_\_

**CHURCH MINISTRY EXPERIENCE** (youth group, teaching, leadership)

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Are you currently active in a ministry?  Yes  No If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_

List extra-curricular activities you are currently involved in \_\_\_\_\_

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**COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT.**

I would like to serve as a Reading Camp cadet because... \_\_\_\_\_

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Have you been convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Have you been convicted of a crime that included sexual abuse?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Are there any impairments, physical or mental, which would interfere with your ability to perform as a member of the LOMIK camp staff?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____
Do you have any special dietary needs (e.g. vegetarian)?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____

Rules for acceptance and participation in the Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Indiana-Kentucky program are the same for everyone without regard to race, color, or national origin.

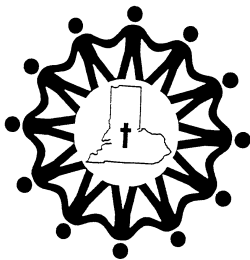
**In submitting this application, I agree to allow LOMIK to run background checks on me and, if hired, I will abide by all LOMIK personnel policies, camp rules, and task assignments.**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

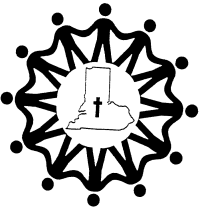
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Print and complete this application form and 4 letters of reference (one from a pastor, one from a parent, two from adults who can comment on your character) should be sent to:



**Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Indiana-Kentucky**  
**5215 N 450 W**  
**Angola IN 46703**

Application and letters of reference can also be filled out, scanned and emailed to: [steve@lomik.org](mailto:steve@lomik.org)



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### LETTER OF REFERENCE

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Please edit the following statement so you feel comfortable signing your name to it. Also, please share additional comments in the space provided below to help us know this candidate better. Your comments will be held in confidence. Please return this form to the above address.

I know \_\_\_\_\_ personally and recommend him/her as a Reading Camp “cadet.” He/she is a person of superior integrity, high energy, and sound Christian values.

His/her habits of conduct are such that parents will feel satisfied knowing their child will spend a week under his/her supervision and guidance.

His/her personality is so pleasing that children will seek his/her companionship. He/she is cooperative, a hard worker, a good team member, and will see any task give him/her to its successful conclusion.

It is my opinion that he/she is a positive role model and will make a strong addition as a volunteer Reading Camp “cadet” at a week of Reading Camp. I recommend him/her without reservation.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

***Personal Comments***

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