

# RIVETER

## Camp Mission + Goals

*Riveter Summer Camp is dedicated to creating a space where campers can build skills, confidence, and community. The camp is geared toward beginner to intermediate riders and climbers. Our goal is for every camper to end each week having overcome a challenge, given and received support from adults and their peers, and learned something new about themselves.*

## How to have the best week EVER!

### How to prepare before camp:

There is not much that you need to do before coming to camp. We welcome beginners to our facility, and many people come to camp for the first time, not having set foot on our dirt jumps or in our climbing gym before.

If your camper has never been to the Riveter before, then a preliminary trip should ease your mind! Each person that walks through our doors gets a safety orientation from one of our qualified staff members. After that, we are available for questions while you go at your own pace and experience all that the Riveter has to offer. Ask for the Program Director during your trip, and I'd love to come meet you!

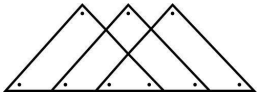
### What to Bring/Wear to camp:

#### To Wear:

- Harness-appropriate bottoms
  - Longer shorts, leggings, or pants are recommended for comfort while climbing in a harness or sitting on a bike seat
- Clothes that can get dirty; full disclosure: your children will be returned to you with ample amounts of dirt.
- Close-toed shoes

#### For Field Day:

- Shoes that can get wet (old tennis shoes, crocs, water shoes, etc.)
  - We do a lot of running around on outdoor surfaces that day. Shoes are required, but there is water involved!
- Bring a change of clothes that can get wet!
  - For **Full Day campers**, our field day activities happen in the afternoon. Campers will be given a chance to change into their field day clothes throughout the lunch period.
  - For **Half Day campers**, field day is ALL DAY! No need for campers to bring their riding or climbing gear.



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To bring in a backpack each day:

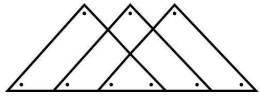
- Face covering (optional for all indoor and outdoor spaces at the Riveter)
- Backpack
- Water bottle
- Snacks (2) - for full day and half day campers
- Lunch - For full day campers
- Rain jacket
- Sunscreen
- Hat
- Extra socks
- Good attitude

Gear Requirements - if bringing from home:

- **Harnesses** must be within 10 years of age from their manufacturing date AND be in good condition. If harnesses do not meet both of these requirements, we will ask for you to purchase rental gear for the week.
- **Climbing Shoes** are required to climb on our walls. We have rentals available that will fit down to a size 8T. You may bring climbing shoes from home, but they should be climbing-specific shoes.
- **Helmets** should sit just above the eyebrows and remain on your camper's head when tipped upside down without the chin strap buckled. Helmets should not have any signs of impact, damage, or significant wear. You are invited to bring your full face helmet if you have it, though it is not required.
- **Bikes** should be in good working condition. You are responsible for ensuring that your camper's bike is in good working condition each day. Bar end plugs are required. Any kickstands should be removed or will be zip tied to the bike's frame while at camp.

## FAQs

1. My child is advanced for their age, can they move up in age groups?
  - a. We have strict age limits within our camp sessions. Our instructors are able to differentiate plans for campers with different skill levels. We ask that everyone sign up for the appropriate session based on the age that your camper will be when the session starts.
2. I have a full day camper and a half day camper, and that carpool schedule is not working for me!
  - a. If you have two campers that are right on the cusp of half day and full day, and you'd like for them to be on the same carpool schedule, we ask that you sign them both up for the younger session. If you believe this will not be a good fit for your campers, you can email [rhoades@riveternc.com](mailto:rhoades@riveternc.com).



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3. Can we store our bikes on site for the duration of the camp week?
  - a. We have extremely limited storage for bikes during the week of camp. We are talking ~2 spots depending on the size of the bike. We ask that you only reach out about bike storage beforehand if this is a barrier for you attending camp. Once these spots are taken, there are no more, and we cannot make exceptions. We do have staff available to help you load/unload bikes into or onto your car during pick-up and drop-off, if you are unfamiliar with the process.
4. Why is Friday a half day?
  - a. Our weekends see a large increase in traffic. Friday afternoons can become increasingly busy in the bike park, climbing gym, and common areas. We offer a free parent pass for Friday so that you and your camper can hang out for the rest of the day if you'd like, but you also have the option of leaving for a less crowded and completely child-appropriate experience.
5. Will you prorate camp if we miss a day?
  - a. No, we can not prorate the price of camp before you have attended or after your week has passed.
6. My camper only wants to do one of the activities offered during Rivet Camp, can they just elect to ride/climb the whole time and not participate in the other?
  - a. No, the idea behind Rivet Camp is to expose your child to two fun and challenging activities in a welcoming environment. While we support challenge by choice and there are many different opportunities for them to step out of their comfort zones at a level that feels appropriate for them, they do not have the option of skipping the zone switch altogether.

We hope to see you all at camp this summer! If you have any other questions, you may call the front desk at (828) 676-2566 or email the Program Director, Sarah Rhoades, at [rhoades@riveternc.com](mailto:rhoades@riveternc.com).