



**WESTERN WEEK**

**2023**

May 15, 2023



#### Our Mission

Camp CARE is committed to providing a camp and other year-round activities for children up to age 16, who have or have had cancer, and their families in the Charlotte area.

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Dear Camp CARE Ranch Hands,

You've been selected to join us in the Wild West this summer! Cattle drives, cowboy cooking, and perhaps a good ol' bank robbery will make this summer unforgettable for our cowgirls and cowboys! We coulda brought in any ol' cowpokes but we knew you'd be perfect to help these kids learn new skills, make new friends and build self-confidence to head out on the Oregon Trail...or whichever trail they may travel in life. We can't wait for all of you to join us out on the ranch!

As you may know, Camp CARE is held at Camp Lurecrest in Lake Lure, NC, the address is below if you need it. Camp will be open at 12:00pm Saturday, August 5, 2023 for you to start arriving, we would like everyone there by 2 PM.

If you're traveling from out of town and need transportation assistance, please let me know so we can get that set up!

We'll be training and getting camp ready the weekend of Aug. 5-6. **If you are unable to attend staff training, you will have to forfeit your spot at camp.** We ask that all plan to be available until Saturday, August 12 - 1:00 PM. You'll be exhausted, but it'll be worth it knowing we officially made the west wild!

If you are unable to fulfill your commitment for training or stay the full week at camp, please let us know as soon as possible as we will have to replace your position from the staff waiting list. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mike Daly at [Mike@campcare.org](mailto:Mike@campcare.org) or 352-409-4325.

Yeehaw ya'll,

Mike Daly  
Camp Director

*Final acceptance to Camp CARE summer staff is dependent on your background check results...let us know of anything shady!!*

# SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR PRE-CAMP PARTY!

This party allows campers and parents a chance to meet some staff and other camp families! It's a great time for you to ask camp leaders questions about camp and meet your campers who may have plenty of questions for you too!

We'll have cabins assignments set by this date, so come meet your cabinmates too!

This is not a required event for you, but it is a big deal for some of our families to meet the people they will be sending their children off with for a week. So even if you can only make it for a short time, we'd love to have you! Keep an eye out in your email for an evite to RSVP.

**What:** Join us for dinner, games and activities at this meet and greet for staff and campers.

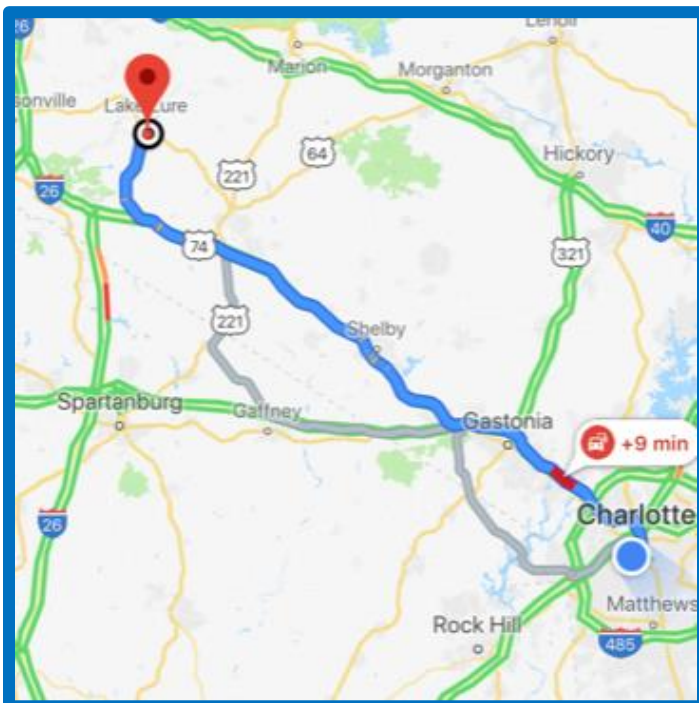
**When:** Sunday July 9<sup>th</sup>, 4:30 - 7pm

**Where:** Park Road Park, Shelter #1  
6220 Park Rd., Charlotte, NC 28210



## DIRECTIONS TO CAMP CARE

- From Charlotte, take **I-85 South**
- Go past Gastonia, and as you approach King's Mountain, **take Highway 74 West**  
Follow this through Shelby.
- Look for **Exit 167/ Highway 9**.
- Follow Highway 9 until it dead ends at Lake Lure.
- Take a **right on Highway 74/64A**.
- Look for a golf course on the right,  
followed by a fire station on the left.
- Immediately after the fire station, turn  
**left on Charlotte Drive**.
- Take first **left onto Lurecrest Drive**.
- **Follow up the hill to Camp Lurecrest/  
Camp CARE!**



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207 Charlotte  
Drive  
Lake Lure, NC  
28746  
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352-409-4325

# Camp CARE Staff Checklist

Stuff to survive the week!

- Twin sheets and a blanket (or sleeping bag if you want to rough it)
- Pillow
- Bath and beach towels, washcloths
- Flashlight (with extra batteries)
- Alarm clock/watch
- Clipboard or notebook with a few pens
- Toiletries (soap, shampoo, deodorant...please, toothbrush, toothpaste, sunscreen, bug spray, hair dryers, etc.)
- Prescription medications (plan to leave your meds in the Med Shack)
- Extra fans for your cabin. (If you forget we have a bunch there already)
- Any cabin decorations!
- Snacks! Feel free to bring a stash of snacks/drinks for additional fueling. We ask that you label any food you bring and keep it in the designated staff area, and not consume in front of campers.
- Clothes (8 days and 7 nights worth) - *Please keep in mind that you're now working with children; keep your clothing modest and appropriate. You will be asked to change if needed.*
- Underwear, clean socks
- Outfit for the dance (fancy optional) and anything you would like for breakfast themes.
- One pair of jeans if you'd like, but shorts work best during the day...duh its summer.
- Lightweight jacket or sweatshirt
- Raincoat or poncho
- Two pairs of sneakers (one that can get muddy and wet). You may also want to include a pair of water shoes.
- One pair of clothes that can get ruined
- You may wear sport sandals with backstrap.
- Flip flops (for shower and pool areas only)
- Swimsuits - please choose modest swimsuits!!!!
- Laundry bag - washer and dryers are for emergencies only
- **Please only use your cell phones for cameras in front of campers. Save phone calls and social media scrolling for your free time away from campers!**

# Theme Information for 2023

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Please try to dress up for our breakfast themes each morning (or all day!) The sillier, the better – it makes it so much more fun for the kids!

- **Monday – Welcome to CAMP!** Wear your staff shirt, but add some western flair if you can!
- **Tuesday – Western Wear & Animals** – dress up in your best western gear or channel ol’ Betsty the cow, or your favorite horse!
- **Wednesday – Sheriffs & Bandits!** It wouldn’t be a western without a couple of sheriffs and a handful of bandits! Breakout your badges and bandanas!
- **Thursday – Crazy Western Hat/Hair/Socks** – Crazy being the key word here, get creative!
- **Friday – Camp Spirit** Show your camp care pride and wear Camp CARE gear along with any fun accessories! *Shameless link to the camp store*  
<https://camp-care.creator-spring.com/?>

We have fun with our breakfast themes, but please don’t feel pressured to spend a lot of money on outfits. Search the house and see how creative you can get!

You may also decorate your cabins in this theme if you wish. Again, please do not spend a lot of money. Once the cabin assignments are sent out, you can coordinate this with your cabin mates.



**Mike’s Western Movie Pick of the Week!**

**Butch Cassidy & The Sundance Kid**