

**Below, you will find the general information for Camp Pelican. If your child has been to camp before, you know how great the experience is. The information this year is a little different, so please read carefully.**

Dear Parents,

We have great news! We **WILL** be having Camp Pelican this year. After a great deal of time, effort and planning by our Medical Committee, we have decided to have camp this summer-but will need to have restrictions and guidelines in place to make sure all of our campers and staff are in the safest possible environment.

**Camp will be held from June 5-11<sup>th</sup> at the Louisiana Lions Camp.**

The following guidelines/procedures will be required to attend camp in 2022.

**All campers will be required to be vaccinated. (2 doses of the vaccine are required)**

- If your child has not been vaccinated and would like to attend camp, then the 1<sup>st</sup> vaccination must be completed by April 5<sup>th</sup> and the 2<sup>nd</sup> by May 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Boosters are recommended-not required.
- There will be NO Medical or Religious exemptions.

**Guidelines:**

The following guidelines are what we have put in place at this time. They are subject to change based on CDC guidelines, state guidelines or decisions made by our Medical Committee.

- We will do Rapid Covid testing at Check In for all campers and staff
- Campers will be allowed to come to camp once they have a negative test.
- If you are dropping your child off to us in NOLA, you will not have access to the buses and we will check your child in for camp from your car to minimize your interactions with other campers, parents and staff going to camp.
- If you are dropping off your child at camp, you will not have access to the buildings and we will check your child in for camp from your car to minimize your interactions with other campers, parents and staff at camp.
- Campers will NOT be required to wear masks on the buses or at camp.
- We will be providing and using hand sanitizers, washing hands, etc. throughout the day.
- Camp activities will be made as safe as possible. (limiting #'s in buildings, providing outside activities, etc.)
- If anyone tests positive at any time, they will be isolated and sent home. (Someone will need to pick them up)
- There will not be a family program on Friday night. All campers will ride the bus or be checked out on Saturday morning.

**Please note:**

These guidelines are for 2022. We understand that you may not agree with them or you may not be able to comply with them. Please be patient and remember that we are doing what we can to provide a safe environment for all of the children that we serve. It is going to be very challenging for ALL of us as we move forward. But, we want your children to have the opportunity to attend camp. We miss our campers and all that comes with our very special program.

Applications are now online. We would appreciate you letting us know if you are planning to send your children to camp as soon as possible. The deadlines will be enforced, but we also need to plan for buses, etc. and will have to put up deposits on some things. If we could get an idea of what your plans are, it would be very helpful. Please respond to this email or send a message.

Thank you for always trusting us with your children and allowing us to provide this great opportunity for them. We will all have to be flexible and work together to make this happen.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact us and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

The Camp Pelican Team

## **Louisiana Lions-L.P.D.C.I.-Camp Pelican Information 2022**

**LOUISIANA LIONS/L.P.D.C.I./CAMP PELICAN** (the pulmonary session of the Louisiana Lions Camp) is a one week overnight summer camp program for children with pulmonary disorders. The camping program is accredited by the American Camping Association.

**CAMP DATES: Sunday, June 5, 2022 through Saturday, June 11, 2022**

**SUNDAY: Camper check-in: 2:00 P.M.-4:00 P.M. at the campsite  
Bus check in information will be in the next mailing!**

**SATURDAY: Camper check-out is TBA**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 30, 2022**

Please apply online at [www.camppelican.org](http://www.camppelican.org)

**All applications are due April 30th.** They will be accepted after that date, but campers are accepted on a **first come first serve basis**. The number of staff we hire is based on the number of campers that have applied. The physical form does not have to be filled out by a pulmonologist. It may be filled out by your pediatrician or medical doctor. **Applications are not processed until ALL information including Physicals, immunization records and insurance cards are received.**

**LOCATION:** The camp will be held at the LOUISIANA LIONS CAMP in Leesville, LA. The campsite is by far the greatest around. All buildings are modern, without barriers and air conditioned.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Any child (ages 5-15) with a pulmonary disorder such as (but not limited to) cystic fibrosis, severe asthma, bronchial disorders and disorders of the trachea. Camper eligibility is determined by the Louisiana Pulmonary Disease Camp, Inc. (L.P.D.C.I) and is based on diagnosis, current condition and medical information provided on the application. L.P.D.C.I. reserves the right to accept or refuse any camper based on information provided or past camp experience.

**COST:** Through the association between the Louisiana Lions Camp, there is no cost or fee for camp. **Campers should not bring money to camp.**

**MEDICAL CARE:** Medical and therapeutic care is provided 24 hours a day by highly skilled professionals including physicians, nurses, respiratory therapists and others.

**STAFF:** All staff are volunteers. Each is screened for qualifications and standards set by the American Camping Association, L.P.D.C.I. and the Louisiana Lions League. All are highly motivated and dedicated to the service of children. Staff to camper ratio is approximately 1:1.5.

**ACTIVITIES:** Arts and crafts, swimming, field sports, archery, putt-putt, campfires, hiking, a carnival, a talent show and much, much more! A rest period is provided each day after the noon meal.

**KEEP THIS INFORMATION, YOU MAY NEED IT!**

**AWARDS PROGRAM:** Due to Covid Precautions-there will not be an in person program. We are hoping to stream it on the camp Facebook page or website.

**INSURANCE:** Campers are automatically covered by group medical insurance during the camp session. Parents and/or their own family health insurance are responsible for all medical bills not covered by the camp group insurance.

**MEDICATIONS/EQUIPMENT:** If your child is accepted as a camper for the pulmonary session, you will receive a health form and medicine bags prior to attending camp. The package will include instructions. All medication must be checked in with the medical staff. It must be clearly labeled, and you must send enough for the entire week. For more information about medication or health care, you may contact Malinda Ferrell (Nurse Lyn) at (504) 309-3556.

**All compressors, concentrators and equipment must be brought to camp with your child. Please label them with your child's name. A limited number of concentrators are available for camper use, but this must be arranged prior to coming to camp.**

**TRANSPORTATION:** Once again, we have devised a transportation system that we feel will be helpful for everyone in order to assure every camper

transportation to and from camp. PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CAREFULLY AND CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX ON THE APPLICATION. Bus space from the New Orleans area is VERY limited due to the large number of campers in that area! The Louisiana Lions Clubs will also be assisting with transportation.

#### **TYPES OF TRANSPORTATION**

**OWN:** Parents will be responsible for providing transportation to and from the campsite in Leesville, Louisiana. No assistance will be necessary.

#### **BUS: NEW ORLEANS AREA ONLY**

Campers may ride the bus provided by the Louisiana Lions to and from camp. Parents will be responsible for transporting campers to and from the bus at the designated bus stops. Please remember that bus space is limited due to the large number of campers from this area. Return your application immediately to assure bus space.

**OTHER:** If you need assistance with transportation, please indicate this on the FORM. Other types of transportation may include Lions-assisted transportation or car pooling. Also, if you are interested in car pooling in your area, please let us know. **All campers needing assistance must have a sponsoring Lion.**

**APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:** Please complete the application **ONLINE at [www.camppelican.org](http://www.camppelican.org)**. All questions must be answered and all parts must be completed. (Paper applications are available, but online is preferred.)

#### **LION SPONSORSHIP:**

Please try to find a sponsoring Lion for your child. This helps to speed up the processing of the application. If you know someone in your area, you may contact them, check your local phone directory or call the Lions Camp office at 1-800-348-6567 for assistance. Unlike other Lions Camp sessions, this application is to be returned to **Cathy Allain** instead of the campsite. **If you are not sure that you will make the deadline, please make a copy of your application, send in the original with a note stating which Lion or club you are contacting and present the copy to the sponsoring Lion. In the past, we have done this for you. It is now necessary for parents to obtain sponsors.**

**CAMPER ACCEPTANCE:** Once we have processed the application and determined that your child is eligible to attend camp, we will send you an acceptance package. This will include the rest of the information you will need as well as a confirmation card which must be returned immediately. Medication bags and health forms will be sent at a later date. **Please pay attention to deadlines and keep this information sheet for your reference.**

**If you have any questions or concerns, please call:**

**CATHY ALLAIN, ASST. DIRECTOR**

**(888) 617-1118**

**LEAVE A MESSAGE ON THE CAMP PELICAN VOICE MAIL**

or E-Mail Cathy at [campmelican.org](mailto:campmelican.org)

**Please fill out application  
online at [www.campmelican.org](http://www.campmelican.org)**

**CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AT**

**[WWW.CAMPPELICAN.ORG](http://WWW.CAMPPELICAN.ORG)**

Information may be downloaded from the website!