



The Tenafly Nature Center's first priority is the safety of our campers. Staff at Tenafly Nature Center strive to make camp a healthy and safe community, one in which campers can have fun and connect with others and the Earth. Therefore, we expect campers to:

1. Always stay with their group
2. Participate in camp activities
3. Deal with other campers and staff members in respectful ways
4. Be supportive of other campers' needs and efforts
5. Always act in ways that are safe for the camper him/herself as well as for all other campers
6. Treat other campers' (and the camp's) property and belongings with respect and consideration
7. Never threaten, imply a threat or "get in the face" of another camper
8. Not engage in put-downs of any type or "make fun of" another camper
9. Not purposefully, and with ill intent, exclude another camper

The consequences of not following the camp's code of conduct are:

1. *First time*-meeting at camp with the camp staff and parent(s) to discuss the incident.
2. *Second time*-the camper will miss one day of camp in order to better understand that there are better behavior choices to be made relative to the incident.
3. *Third time*-a decision-making meeting with parents in order to look at the real possibility that perhaps Tenafly Nature Center Day Camp is not a good match for the camper and his/her needs.

Our goal is to help each camper have a successful summer and positive camp experience. Of course, each incident will be looked at individually and in terms of degree of seriousness. Please go over the behavior policy and expectations with your camper(s), including the consequences for not following them. Clarity and consistency, at camp and at home, are the keys for making our camp a healthy, nurturing environment for children.

Tenafly Nature Center reserves the right to remove any child without refund due to unacceptable behavior or if children are registered for the incorrect age group/grade level.