Behavior Expectation Policy

At Museum Discovery Camp, we have high expectations for campers’ ability to monitor their own behavior and strive to keep disciplinary actions to a minimum. Camp participants are expected to exhibit appropriate behavior at all times while at camp. In order to provide all campers and staff with a camp experience that is safe and enjoyable, the following guidelines have been developed. All campers must understand and follow the guidelines set forth. Please review these guidelines with your child.

1. Respect The Reading Public Museum.
   a. Treat our facilities, exhibits, artifacts, supplies, and equipment with care
   b. Clean-up after yourself
   c. Running and excessive shouting while indoors is not permitted
   d. Stealing or damaging property will not be accepted

2. Respect Your Fellow Campers and Counselors.
   a. Follow the camp rules - camp rules are reviewed every Monday morning with the entire camp
   b. Talk in a pleasant manner. Foul language, putdowns and bullying will not be accepted
   c. Keep your hands and feet to yourself - be aware of others’ personal space & do not touch the belongings of others
   d. Aggressive behavior that is threatening to the child, staff or other campers will not be permitted
   e. Listen and follow directions - do not disrupt camp programming
   f. Stay with the group at all times

3. Have a Positive Attitude and Have Fun!

The Following guidelines will be followed in the case of camper misbehavior and at the discretion of camp staff:

- Step 1: Verbal Warning.
- Step 2: Time Out or Time Away from the group.
  a. During a time out, a camper may have to sit out from activities including games, crafts, experiments, or a special event.
  b. The lead educator will speak with the child and the parent/guardian will be notified either in writing, over the phone, or in person - this may also take place during pick-up.
- Step 3: Written Warning given to Parent.
  a. If a child persists in unacceptable behavior, a written warning will be issued.
  b. The lead educator will speak with the child and their parent/guardian.
  c. Parent/guardian will be required to sign the written warning and may be required to pick your child up from camp.
- Step 4: Removal from Camp.
  a. After receiving two written warnings, the child will be dropped from camp and will not be permitted to sign-up for camp in the future.
  b. No refunds will be given.
- Note - depending on the severity or nature of the behavior, we may skip a particular step - for example - aggressive behavior will not be tolerated in any form in any way from any camper.

Please review these guidelines with your child prior to the first day of camp. You will be asked to sign-off on the reservation form that you have read and understand the above. Thank you in advance for your cooperation. We hope to have a great summer!