

# Conrad Weiser N.E.E.D. Camp Assertive Discipline Policy

Dear Parent or Guardian,

N.E.E.D. Camp is a special part of the Conrad Weiser Sixth grade curriculum. Students are given the opportunity to experience learning in an outdoor setting and experience a new sense of social growth. They study, work with, and think about environmental issues, conservation and ecology. A majority of former N.E.E.D. Campers feel it was a positive experience and look back to camp as one of the fondest Conrad Weiser memories. Many state that N.E.E.D. Camp set the tone, friendships, and academic learning for the rest of their years here at Conrad Weiser.

Along with the above opportunities, students must also assume added responsibilities since they are away from home for five days. Students must fully understand that they are under the supervision of teachers and counselors. All Conrad Weiser Middle School rules listed in the Student Handbook are applicable to N.E.E.D. Campers.

With this in mind, parents, guardians, and students need to be aware of certain behavioral guidelines. The students must adhere to the following guidelines:

1. Use appropriate language.
2. Listen and follow instructions given by teachers and/or counselors.
3. Stay within visible range of camp staff.
4. Participate in all activities as long as they are physically capable.
5. Exhibit behavior similar to that expected in the classroom and in school including cooperation, working in groups, respect of self and others, self-control and taking turns.

Students who blatantly break these rules will be verbally warned about their misconduct. A second offense will result in restricted activities at camp. The parents and principal will be notified if misconduct continues. The principal and camp staff will determine if the student should be removed from camp. Parents may be asked to come to camp to pick up their child if necessary. The principal will bring the student to school to await their parents if they are unavailable. There will be no refunds should your child be expelled from camp for discipline.

As in all discipline policies, serious offenses may result in immediate expulsion from camp. These include fighting, raiding, exhibiting severe offensive behavior (refusing to obey a teacher or counselor/defiance) or disruptive behaviors during the night.

N.E.E.D. Camp has always been a positive experience for students. We recognize that there are times when one student can affect this experience negatively. We feel strongly that one child should not be permitted to ruin an otherwise great experience for others. We thank you for your support and understanding.

Sincerely,  
Conrad Weiser Middle School Administration  
and N.E.E.D. Camp Staff