



Because GREEN Is Spoken at Camp _____,

Camp Name

we support the American Camp Association® and the Children & Nature Network (CNN) in their effort to connect children and nature and to honor the environment by doing the following things:

- **Share** our Green plan with all of our staff (e.g., ask the maintenance staff to not leave their truck running or walk instead of ride).
- **Celebrate** the attention to turning off items when not in use (e.g., the lights in the pavilion, the radio at the pool, etc.). Have an agreed-upon plan for the temperature camp's buildings will be for the summer.
- **Shop local**—Visit the local farmer's market or the hardware store nearby for goods our camp needs . . . though products may seem more expensive, the cost of getting there for needed items and the toll on the environment is much less.
- **Compost**—Create a healthy, free fertilizer that will cut down on landfill waste (e.g., we will consider setting up a worm farm as well, campers love the idea and there would be an endless supply of pets in camp).
- **Recycle**—We will encourage recycling in the staff lounge and encourage campers to do so, too.
- **Monitor food waste** from packaging to unused portions to healthy use of leftovers. While individual serving sized snacks save time, they don't save landfill space (e.g., we will have a grand leftover buffet during the week).
- **Buy used** from equipment to paint and re-enter our used items back into the fold.
- **Add one meatless meal per week** not only will this save us money on our food budget, the resources spent on the food source and the impact it has on the environment will decrease.
- **Watch our paper use** from printing out schedules and e-mails from home to arts-and-crafts projects; collect the paper to be reused again. Landfill space and supply budgets will be relieved.
- **Be conscious** of the cleaning supplies we use. By using simple ingredients such as baking soda, soap, and vinegar, we can make cheap, easy, and nontoxic cleaning products that really work! We will save money, time, and indoor air quality.

Signature

Date



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