

CANADA TRIP REQUIREMENTS

If your camper is registered to attend our exciting trip to Canada & Niagara Falls, he/she will need proper Proof of Citizenship when crossing the border in/out of the USA and Canada. Please read the information below to determine the type of identification required of your child.

FOR CAMPERS WHO ARE UNITED STATES CITIZENS AND WERE BORN IN THE USA
Camp Cayuga “prefers” all campers to have a valid passport for this trip. If this is not possible, your child’s original birth certificate is acceptable proof of citizenship. If this isn’t possible, a stamped, sealed, and notarized photocopy of the birth certificate is also acceptable. According to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), the birth certificate (or notarized copy) is acceptable proof of citizenship if your child is: 1) a United States citizen, 2) was born in the USA, 3) is less than 16 years old, 4) has parental consent, and 5) crosses the border by land (not air). If your camper is 16 years old, a birth certificate will not suffice - a passport is required.

FOR CAMPERS WHO ARE UNITED STATES CITIZENS NOT BORN IN THE USA AND FOR CAMPERS WHO ARE NOT UNITED STATES CITIZENS

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) requires a valid passport from children who are United States citizens not born in the USA, as well as children who are not United States citizens. No alternate proof of citizenship is acceptable. In addition, a visa to visit Canada may be required depending upon the camper’s home country. In the past, campers from England, France, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Spain, and Switzerland did not need a visa. Other campers from China, Columbia, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Guatemala, Morocco, Russia, and Venezuela did need a visa. To confirm whether or not your child will need a visa to visit Canada, go to the Canadian Embassy’s website at www.cic.gc.ca, or you can telephone the Canadian Embassy in Washington, DC at 1-202-682-1740.