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September 22, 2026

Elena Soderblom
Experience Camps
136 Main Street
Westport, CT 06880

RE: Application #: CR800420741
Experience Camps
84600 47 1/2 Street
Decatur, MI 49045

Dear Camp Administrator,

Attached is the Original Licensing Study Report for the above-mentioned facility. The study has determined substantial compliance with applicable licensing statutes and administrative rules. Therefore, original children's residential camp been issued.

Please review the enclosed documentation for accuracy and contact me with any questions. If I am not available, and you need to speak to someone immediately, please contact the licensing unit at 833-665-8116.

Sincerely,

Camp Licensing Unit
105 W. Allegan St. 2nd Floor
Lansing, MI 48933
MiLEAP-Camps@Michigan.gov

CAMP ORIGINAL LICENSING STUDY REPORT

Michigan Department of Lifelong Education, Advancement, and Potential

IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

PROGRAM License Number	PROGRAM (Camp) Name		Application Date		
CR800420741	Experience Camps		6/1/2026		
PROGRAM Phone Number	**PROGRAM Applicant Address**		**City**	**State**	**Zip**
(833) 226-7385	136 Main Street		Westport	CT	06880
SITE License Number	**SITE Name**	**Camp SITE Address**	**City**	**State**	**Zip**
SR800200246	Lake Of The Woods & Greenwoods	84600 47 1/2 Street	Decatur	MI	49045
Camp SITE Telephone	**Applicant/Licensee Designee Name**		**E-Mail**		
(847) 242-0009	Elena Soderblom		elena.soderblom@experiencecamps.org		

PROGRAM Type	SITE Type	Licensee
Residential Camp	Existing Residential Campsite	Camp Only

METHODOLOGY

6/1/2026	Enrollment
5/25/2026	PSOR on Address Completed
8/20/2026	Policies/Procedures Approved
n/a	Pre-operational Onsite Completed (as applicable)

DESCRIPTION OF FINDINGS

A. SITE DESCRIPTION

OUTDOOR	INDOOR	HIGH ADVENTURE
Acreage: 125 Water Supply: Private System Sewage: Private Sewer System Bodies of Water:Lake(s) Closest Hospital: 11-15 miles Other:	Sleeping: Cabins Dining:Dining Hall Health Area:Center Bathrooms: Indoor QFI: Not Applicable EHI:Not Applicable	High Adventure Activities Offered: swimming, canoeing, climbing, archery, and tubing/watersking

Findings: This campsite is a licensed residential children's campsite (SR800200246). The facilities include sleeping cabins, dining hall, health lodge, activity buildings, assembly areas, sports field and pavilions. The outdoor activity areas include a pool for swimming, waterfront for swimming and boating, target sport range, and climbing wall. This facility is approximately 12 miles away from Bronson Lakeview Hospital in Paw Paw, MI. This facility meets applicable licensing rules to host this residential children's camp.

B. PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Staff Training Plan	AGE GROUP	CAPACITY	GENDER	OPERATIONAL SEASON
Approved	From:8 To: 18	320	BOTH	SUMMER ONLY

Findings: This camp operates for one week during the summer. This summer camp is a free, overnight summer camp experience designed for kids and teens who have experienced the death of a parent, sibling or primary caregiver. The camp program offers fun-filled activities in safe environment where kids can explore their grief and break the isolation they may feel with their non-camp peers. The camp schedule includes group activities, meals, recreation, and evening activities.

C. RULE/STATUTORY VIOLATIONS

The children's residential camp were found to be in substantial compliance with statute and administrative rules.

RECOMMENDATION

I recommend issuance of original residential camp license.

Approval:	Signature	Printed Name	Date
Consultant:	Jarrah Buch-Price	Jarrah Buch-Price	8/20/26
Manager:	D S. Ramsey	Deondra S. Ramsey	09/04/2026

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