

UNDERSTANDING JUNIOR CAMP AND TEEN CAMP OPERATIONS AND EXPECTATIONS AT POWEROF2YOUTHCAMPS

The Camp Administration wanted to emphasize some key differences between the Junior and Teen Camp Weeks. Please take time to review these operations BEFORE sending your child to camp.

JUNIOR CAMP OPERATIONS (ages 7-12)

- Campers are divided by age and biological gender upon registration.
- Campers room with their specific age group. (Not their church group.)
 The group stays together at all times including nights, meals, activities, and services. Campers are NOT permitted to sit with parents or church groups during meals or services.
- Each Camper Group (CABIN) is assigned their own Counselor and Assistant which stays with their respective groups at all times including nights, meals, activities and services. Counselors are required to take constant head counts and know the location of their campers at all times.
- All Counselors and Assistants are approved in advance via the camp's application and back ground check policy. Church Group Chaperones will NOT be used as a camp counselor or assistant unless previously approved and will NOT be permitted to stay with camper groups.
 Separate On-site lodging is provided for Registered Church Group Chaperones who request it.
- Request to keep siblings or friends together CANNOT be accommodated.
 This creates difficulties for staff and negatively impacts the camp experience of other campers. PLEASE DO NOT ASK FOR EXCEPTIONS!!
- The Canteen Menu is limited for Junior Camp to snacks and drinks.
 Canteen Money is collected at registration. Camper selections are deducted from their funds. Unused funds are returned at the end of camp. Please review this with parents and campers before camp.
- Compliance with the Camp Code of Conduct including dress code is required at JUNIOR CAMP.
- Junior Campers are given an opportunity to give an offering in the services which may be designated for a special purpose or camp need. Campers are permitted to keep cash money for this purpose.
- CAMPERS CANNOT USE THE PHONE EXCEPT IN EMERGENCIES. Adults are asked to respect this rule.
- Campers may not have cell phones, computers, tablets, video games or related items in their possession.
- Unless Medical exceptions are identified during the registration process, all campers are required to participate in all activities.

TEEN CAMP OPERATIONS (ages 12 and up)

- Campers are generally allowed to lodge with their own church biological gender group during the week. This is limited to available beds in a specific room.
- Individual Campers attending without a 'group' will be housed together as a group. The camp will provide qualified chaperones for these campers.
- Adults in the dorms are expected to maintain order and ensure that all campers are treated with Christian respect.
- The camp provides general oversight around camp property at night.
 Individual rooms are the oversight of group chaperones and/or senior campers.
- Campers are assigned randomly to teams for activities and competitions. NO SPECIAL REQUEST CAN BE HONORED.
- Campers are permitted to stay with their church group or friends at meals and services (revoked at the discretion of camp administration).
 Group chaperones should ensure that campers are out of their rooms and at appropriate camp events.
- Team captains are selected from group chaperones and camp staffers at the discretion of camp administration. Team captain responsibility is limited to camp game and group activity time.
- The canteen menu is extensive including burgers, fries, drinks and snacks. Campers are responsible for their own monies. Prepayment via Debit. Credit or check is available.
- Compliance with the Camp Code of Conduct including dress code is required.
- Teen Campers are given an opportunity to give an offering in the services which may be designated for a special purpose or camp need.
- CAMPERS CANNOT USE THE PHONE EXCEPT IN EMERGENCIES. Adults are asked to respect this rule.
- campers may not have computers, tablets, video games or related items in their possession. The camp is attempting to isolate the camper from the outside world so that their focus can be on spiritual matters. In light of this, Cell phones are permitted, but required to remain in "airplane" mode without access to calls, text or internet. The camper's device will still be accessible for alarms, camera and bible programs. Please refrain from social media posts related to camp worship.
- Unless Medical exceptions are identified during the registration process, all campers are required to participate in all activities.

Some Reminders for CAMPERS:

- ROOM AND BED ASSIGNMENTS ARE MADE AT REGISTRATION ON DAY ONE BY THE CAMP. THESE ASSIGNMENTS CANNOT BE CHANGED WITHOUT THE PERMISSION OF A CAMP DIRECTOR! ADULTS PLEASE DO NOT RELOCATE CAMPERS TO OTHER ROOMS (EVEN WITHIN YOUR CHURCH GROUP'S ASSIGNED ROOMS). THIS IS CRITICAL TO NIGHTLY CAMP HEAD COUNTS THAT WE USE TO VERIFY THE SAFETY OF OUR CAMPERS. FAILURE TO COMPLY MAY RESULT IN DISMISSAL FROM CAMP.
- ✓ Rude or disrespectful conduct from <u>adults</u> or <u>campers</u> toward camp staff will NOT be permitted under any circumstance. This includes failure to comply with the request of those staffers.
- ✓ To attend camp, you must agree to the camp dress code clearly identified in the CAMP CODE OF CONDUCT. As a reminder, female campers must wear skirts, dresses, and culottes that are <u>BELOW</u> their knees. *Group Chaperones should review this policy (and other items) with their campers BEFORE coming to camp and monitor compliance during camp*. If camp staff asks a camper to change their clothing, campers are expected to comply respectfully and immediately. Male campers have a dress code as well.
- ✓ CAMPERS HAVE AGREED TO KEEP CELL PHONES IN AIRPLANE MODE WITHOUT CALLS, TEXTS, OR INTERNET (SOCIAL MEDIA). PHONE USAGE SHOULD BE LIMITED TO ALARMS, CAMERA, BIBLE PROGRAMS, ETC. GROUP CHAPERONES SHOULD REVIEW THIS POLICY WITH PARENTS AND CAMPERS BEFORE COMING TO CAMP AND MONITOR COMPLIANCE! DO NOT MAKE EXCEPTIONS TO THIS RULE.

Removing contact with outside influences is critical to spiritual success at camp.

Any questions should be directed in advance to Bro. Stroud or Bro. Moore