

# 2022 CAMPER WELCOME PACKET

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# Welcome to Camp Blessing Texas

Dear CAMPERS and PARENTS,

SUMMER is almost here, are you ready? We are so excited to see your camper this summer. In the details below, you'll find info about arrival, packing list, camp theme, COVID precautions, and so much more. Please read through this packet thoroughly.

Don't hesitate to reach out with any questions you may have. We can't wait to see your camper at Camp Blessing for summer!

Blessings,
CAMP BLESSING TEAM



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### **FREEDOM**

"You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love."

-Galations 5:13

# **SCHEDULE**

**Term 1**: May 31 - June 4

Term 2: June 7-11 Term 3: June 14-18 Term 4: June 21-25 Term 5: June 28-July 2

Term 6: July 5-9 Term 7: July 12-16 Term 8: July 19-23 Term 9: July 26-30 Term 10: Aug 2-6

# DROP-OFF & PICKUP

#### DROP-OFF

Tuesday between 3-5pm CDT

#### PICK-UP

Saturday @ 10am

Ceremonies start @10:30

\*\*\*We understand that this is an exciting time, but we ask that you please respect the drop-off and pick-up times

## WHAT TO BRING

- Bedding: twin sheets, blanket or sleeping bag, and pillow
- Toiletries: toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, deodorant, feminine products, briefs
- Swimsuit (one-piece for girls)
- Shoes: closed-toed shoes (must have socks); open-toed shoes if desired
- Shirts: T-shirts, long-sleeve shirts, hoodie or jacket, AND rain poncho (no spaghetti straps, tight-fitting shirts, or shirts that completely cover shorts)
- Shorts/Pants: must be at least fingertip length, no tennis skirts
- Appropriate sleepwear
- Sunscreen, hats, sun glasses, and bug spray
- Shower towel and pool towel
- Water bottle
- Flashlight
- Dirty laundry bag
- Bible
- Medications
- Primary Communication Device
- Noise Canceling Head phone (If needed)
- Themed Event Attire (see below)

# THEMED EVENTS

- Carnival Night: Circus Theme
- Messy Games/Coffee House: Hawaiian (clothes may need to be trashed after messy games)
- Talent Show: Outer Space
- Cross Carry: Nice Casual

# **DO NOT BRING**

- iPad/iPod or other electronic device (unless primary communication device)
- Gaming Systems
- Fireworks
- Candy, Food, Sodas, or other drinks
- Valuables
- Cameras

## **EXTRA NOTES**

- Try and keep ALL luggage down to 1-2 bags or a trunk with no loose items.
- Please label all bags and individual items
- Theme Costumes: Get CREATIVE.
- All cell phones will be collected and stored in the camp office for the duration of each term. (it is best to leave these at home)
- The Camp Store will be open on arrival and closing.

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NOTE: #2 is sensory room and General store is now #9

# COVID-19 POLICIES

The COVID-19 pandemic is ever changing, and protocols are rapidly adapting. As a result, we are committed to communicate our efforts to keep our campers, volunteers and staff healthy and safe so families can make informed decisions about sending their beloved family member to camp. We are focused on taking all reasonable measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19. We have been networking with other like-minded camps in Texas and across the country for best practices.

Here are the key elements of our policy:

- · We will require an acknowledgement verifying that the participant obtained a negative COVID test within 72 hours prior to their arrival at camp. Please note that a child-friendly saliva test for COVID-19 is available at most local pharmacies.
- $\cdot$  We encourage all campers and volunteers to avoid large groups or other activities that would increase exposure to COVID-19 in the week leading up to camp.
- · We will have a fully staffed clinic oriented to the unique aspects of the pandemic.
- Every staff, volunteer and camper will be monitored for suspected COVID-19. Suspicion will lead to a requirement to be picked up and transferred to home for medical assessment. We will not be performing COVID testing at camp for pragmatic reasons.
- We will be monitoring Texas state and CDC guidelines as the pandemic changes. We are committed to holding camp this summer and will communicate and modifications or changes to the guidelines proactively with camper and volunteer families.
- The CBTX medical directors are committed to work with camp leadership to orient the clinic staff to the key elements of safety with regard to the pandemic. They invite questions from camper and volunteer families.

Additionally, we have taken measures to monitor and address symptomatic campers with appropriate protocols to isolate, confirm, respond, and remove any camper, volunteer or staff member with suspected COVID-19. You can view the additional measures we're taking by reviewing our FAQs on our website.

Ultimately, the choice for your camper or volunteer to attend Camp Blessing is a personal one, and you are in control. Camp Blessing by its very nature exposes campers in a rather intimate way to each other and staff. We encourage each family to evaluate these risks and if needed, consult with their physician to determine if the associated risks are acceptable.

We appreciate your patience and flexibility as we plan for an amazing summer!

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