



Camp Luz

Freely proclaiming the radical hope of Jesus Christ to the next generation!

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Dear Parents,

Thank you for choosing to invest in the spiritual development of your child, and for allowing Camp Luz to be a part of their journey. The following letter includes some helpful information as you prepare for camp this summer.

Preparing your child for camp

Whether your child has been to camp before or this is their first time away from home, changes in routine can sometimes be unsettling. Rest assured that our well-trained staff are not only aware of this, but prepared to help your camper work through any homesick feelings to have a great week at camp. Here are two tips for you as a parent if you think your camper might struggle with the transition:

- *Help them settle in-* after check-in you will have the opportunity to take your camper down to their cabin, spend a minute or two helping them set out their sleeping bag and get their gear tucked away under their bunk, say your goodbye and let them begin building relationships with their counselors and other campers.
- *Don't tell them they can call home or you can come get them if they miss you too much-* We know that your intentions are good, but by saying these things, you are planting seeds of homesickness in their minds. Instead, assure them that the staff will take good care of them and that you look forward to hearing about all their adventures at the end of the week.
- *Do not make plans to pick them up during the week for ball games or other sports events-* these often add extra stress, and detract from the camp experience.

Check-In Info:

- ***Check-In will take place on the Chapel porch from 4:15-5:00pm on SUNDAY***
- Bring a completed copy of the ***Health History and Authorization Form*** (available on the Summer Camp page of www.campluz.com) and be sure that both pages (1 page-front and back) are filled out.
- Due to the close living conditions of summer camp, all campers will be checked for head lice during Check-In. Any camper found to have lice will not be able to attend camp until the lice are treated and gone.
- There will be several items available for purchase during Check-In, including a custom flashdrive full of photos taken during the week. *T-shirts will again be FREE to all campers.*

Camper Pick-Up:

- Please make plans to pick up your camper at 7:00pm on the final day of their camp program. ***Please come to the Chapel porch to sign their release form first***, then pick up your camper.
- There will be a table on the chapel porch with lost-and-found items from the week. Please take a minute to look it over while you wait to sign out your camper. Any unclaimed items will be held until November 1, then discarded.
- If the weather is nice, campers' belongings will be organized by cabin groups on the chapel lawn for easy pick up.

General Policies:

Snacks- Please do not send or allow your camper to bring snacks to camp. We provide 3 meals and 2 snacks every day, so no one goes hungry. Extra snacks create litter and invite unwanted critters into the cabins, potentially creating a health hazard. Unauthorized food will be confiscated and disposed of.

Dress Code- Modesty in clothing is very important as we wish nothing to distract campers from the primary purpose of learning about Jesus Christ.

For girls: one piece bathing suits (or full-coverage tankinis), fingertip length shorts, no spaghetti strap tops or low neck lines, shirts must cover abdomens.

For boys: modest bathing trunks, no sagging pants.

We do not allow clothing which exposes undergarments, is too revealing, or contains unsuitable phrases or pictures.

Campers will be asked to change if they are wearing something inappropriate. If they have nothing else to wear, parents or guardians will be called to bring other clothing.

It's best to leave jewelry at home so that it does not get lost. Strong colognes and perfumes attract insects; please leave these at home.

Sandals are permitted but youth must bring secure-fitting, close-toed shoes for recreation.

If you have any questions regarding this information or about the Camp Luz program, feel free to contact at 330-683-1246 or info@campluz.com

Thank you for trusting us with the care of your camper this summer. We are privileged to be a part of this great and awesome ministry for our Lord. God Bless!

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