

2024 Camper Packet

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AFTER REGISTRATION

Please be certain to open and carefully read all emails from BRCC. Two weeks prior to check- in, families will receive a reminder email regarding outstanding payments and an assigned check-in time. Please arrive at your scheduled time. Special scheduling requests for check-in or check-out times must be submitted by email. Send those requests in advance to office@blueridgechristian.org before the two weeks prior assignments are made.

We can also assist with adding canteen money to your camper's account. Balances on accounts are due one week prior to check-in. We are not able to accept payments on site.

CHECK-IN & CHECK-OUT PROCEDURES

Check-in takes place in our parking lot area. Upon arrival, please remain in your vehicle. Once the prescreening questions have been answered and your camper's temperature has been checked, you may unload. A team leader from your camper's group will accompany your camper onto the grounds and help them unpack and get settled. To reduce traffic, wait times, and to help campers receive individualized help, please arrive at your schedule time. Families are invited on campus at the conclusion of the camp session during check-out.

Please be assured that prior to arrival, we will communicate with you every step of the way. All check-in communication will be done in advance by email. You may also request a phone call from our Health Officer. Those who indicate allergies, use of medication, or health or behavior concerns will have a scheduled call with our Health Officer or Camp Manager. Please note, we will not be able to conference or collect additional monies at check-in.

Check-in and check-out times are listed on the last page.

CAMP INSURANCE | ILLNESS & CONDUCT POLICIES

We value physical and emotional safety and strive for an environment where our campers can be at ease and rest and refuel their bodies and minds. For the well being of all, we take behavior issues seriously.

Staff, campers and their families are expected to be courteous and have good manners toward others. Campers will be held responsible for unnecessary damage or breakage to camp property. Aggressive or defiant behavior will not be permitted. The dean, in consultation with the manager, has authority to send home anyone who refuses to cooperate or who after a conference and redirection is not meeting these expectations.

Please encourage your camper to see a staff member with any and all concerns.

In the event of any accidental injury at the camp, primary insurance coverage is the responsibility of the camper's family insurance. All doctor and hospital forms will be completed using patient's name, home address, and personal insurance. In the event of an accidental injury at the camp, and there is no family insurance available, the camp will provide coverage within its limits. No camper is to be brought to camp ill.

Camp insurance will not cover pre-existing illness or injury. Campers who display signs of illness and/or are found to have a fever, must be sent home. Please follow current quarantine guidelines if your child has had or been exposed to COVID.

ARRIVAL & PARKING

Your family will receive a check-in time assignment by email the week prior to check-in. Please arrive at your designated time and remain in your vehicle. A staff member will come to your car to greet you and complete the check-in screening. Please have forms and medication ready to turn in. Program volunteers or staff will accompany your camper to their team members. For High School Week campers driving themselves to camp... Once checked in, you will not be allowed back to your vehicle until check-out time. We have a secure area to store keys and cell phones. Additionally, for campers driving themselves, we offer cell phone charging before heading home.

THE SCHEDULE

Mornings include devotions and breakfast, followed by clean up, Bible classes and missions. Afternoons may include rest time after lunch, team meetings, group recreation, and swimming. Evenings may consist of worship and a message, evening activities and recreation, canteen, and campfire. Meals are served at 8:30, 12:30, and 5:30. Bedtimes are set by deans and vary for each camp. All is subject to change depending upon program.

BAPTISM

If a camper desires to be baptized at camp, the dean will: 1) phone parents for permission and 2) phone the camper's minister or home church inviting them to participate. BRCC Baptismal Certificates will be issued by the dean.

CANTEEN

Our snack store is open at designated times during the week. Age appropriate spending limits and quantities are monitored. Campers typically visit canteen twice a day. Average cost of items is \$1.25 with most campers purchasing 2 items at each visit. (a drink & a snack). Unless a refund is requested, credits are donated to our designated mission.

LOST & FOUND

Blue Ridge Christian Camp, Inc. is not responsible for items left behind, lost, or stolen. After 30 days, unclaimed items become property of BRCC and will be donated to charitable organizations or to fill the needs of campers.

VISITORS, MAIL & HOMESICKNESS

For health and safety purposes, **no visitors** are allowed during our camp sessions. No exceptions can be made. Once checked in, campers are not allowed to leave camp property except during camp supervised activities. **Once a camper checks out for any reason, they cannot return.**

We do not accept packages for campers. Please send letters only. No candy or food items. If packages arrive, they will be given to the camper's designated pick up person at check out. We are no longer able to forward mail that does not arrive while the camper is still present. BRCC is not responsible for undelivered mail items. Because of the uncertainty of mail times, we encourage you to tuck an encouraging note in your camper's luggage or drop a letter in the mail the week before your camper arrives. We will hold it for delivery mid-week of their camp session.

We pledge to you that we take homesickness seriously. Our goal is for campers to feel supported and to want to be at BRCC. For our younger campers, sometimes this means they need to try again another year. We find campers feel the freedom to do this because we keep our word and if homesickness continues after a talk and redirection or rest, we do in fact call home and help families make a good decision for their camper. Campers are not allowed to make or receive phone calls. Our camp staff is available and happy to communicate with you.

WHAT TO PACK

- Water bottle with attached lid- required Please label with first and last name
- Sleeping bag &/or twin sheet set, blanket, & pillow
- Shampoo & soap
- Towels, washcloths, & pool towel
- Closed toed shoes, pool shoes, & flip flops for shower
- Sweatshirt or jacket Summer nights in McCoy can be cool!
- Rain jacket
- Sunscreen & bugspray
- Flashlight
- Bible

Camp dress code is casual, but modest. Everyone must wear shoes at all times. Swimwear must be modest in nature. No bikinis or speedo type briefs.

*Please label all belongings. Unclaimed items will be displayed at Check Out. **BRCC** is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

The following items are not allowed at camp. Please supervise packing.

Cell phones, electronic devices, body sprays/perfumes, outside food & drink, pets, fireworks, alcohol/tobacco/vapes or illegal substances, pocket knives, weaponry of any kind

Possession of tobacco products, drugs, alcohol, or weapons will result in expulsion from camp.

DON'T FORGET

- Signed Waiver Form

Additional Outside Activities Permission Form HS Week Campers only

Medications in original bottles & inside labeled ziplock bag

Reusable water bottle with lid & labeled

CHECK-IN & CHECK-OUT TIMES

WEEK LONG CAMPS

Check-In: Sunday 3:30-4:30PM **Check-Out:** Friday 11:00-12:00PM

DAY & NIGHT

Check-In: Friday 5:00PM Check-out: Saturday 3:00PM

FEATHER 1

Check-In: Sunday 3:00-4:00PM Check-out: Monday 3:00-4:00PM

FEATHER 2

Check-In: Tuesday 3:00-4:00PM Check-out: Thursday 11:00-12:00PM

Please arrive at your assigned time!