**TBC Guidelines for a Happy Week!**

**Purpose:**

* Protect the campers and counselors by defining the boundaries clearly to avoid incidents
* Keep the focus on our relationship with Christ, not on flashy dress, outrageous behavior or “nobody’s gunna tell me what to do” attitudes
* Free the campers and counselors to focus on having fun and building relationships, not over petty disputes about standards or conduct
* TBC will follow these guidelines regardless of how other churches direct their campers

**Dress:**

*How we dress on the outside, is an expression of what is on our inside!*

1. Modesty is the key. When in doubt, don’t! If you’re not 100% about what you are wearing, ask your TBC counselor. Don’t wear it unless you are positive that it’s okay!
2. Shorts, Skirts and Dresses**:** all must be knee to mid–thigh or longer. NO volleyball shorts!!
3. Shirts: no tank tops, mesh, halter-tops, muscle shirts. No shirts with advertisements or messages that is contrary to the spirit of camp.
   1. The “Peeky Boo” Belly Button Test: Belly buttons don’t show when arms are extended above head
   2. The “Pit’s” Test: Shirt arms cannot reveal what the shirt is meant to hide!
4. Pants: We don’t want to see anyone’s underwear (men or women!)
   1. “Creepy Crawler” Test: Shirts up, down, etc... Don’t want to see your undies!
5. Swimming: Cover-ups must be worn to and from the swimming area. Only one piece may be worn. Two pieces must have a cover-up at all times. Any water games require dark T-shirts.

**No Exceptions!**

**Conduct:**

*We treat others like Jesus would treat them, not like they may treat us!*

1. No camper is to leave the campgrounds without a counselor from our church.
2. Campers are not to leave to dorms after lights out.
3. Everyone is expected to be at all services, on time!
   1. **On time = 5 minutes early by the pastors watch!**
   2. If you are too sick to go to chapel, then you are too sick to participate in the games.
4. Whether you choose to eat the meals or not, you will sit with the group at mealtime. If we need to disseminate information, we’ll do so at these times.
   1. Absence is not an excuse to not know what was discussed.
5. You are responsible for any damage to camp property. Damages caused by TBC campers will be paid for by the camper.
   1. Accidents happen, if something does get broken, let your counselor know immediately. Often, we can repair much cheaper than the cost of our deposit!
6. Pranks or jokes that can hurt someone or damage property will not be tolerated.
   1. Because another church is doing it, doesn’t mean we can (or will)
7. The swimming area/river is off limits except for swim time or with counselor supervision. Absolutely no swimming except during designated times. Especially stay clear after dark.
8. Stage and sound/electronic equipment areas are off limits.
9. Watch out for snakes and other wild animals. They won't rattle or snarl before their bite!
10. No guns, fireworks, alcoholic beverages, or tobacco products (including vape) are allowed.
11. Cell phones are okay on the trip up to camp, but, once on the premises, all electronics need to stay in the containers designated by the counselors. We’re not at camp to go “virtual”.
    1. Opportunity will be given to make calls. It is the camper’s responsibility to get the phone back to the counselor.
    2. If you do not feel comfortable with the guidelines, encourage your teen not to bring their phone to camp.
    3. Any items found becomes the permanent property of the pastor; **you will not get it back**!!

Parent acknowledgment: I understand that if my teen gets caught with the phone outside of the designated times, they will be permanently confiscated. Parent signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. No Food in the chapel. Water is okay, but please pick up after yourself
2. Everyone is expected to be present at all team events, whether participating or not.
3. EVERONE pitches in to clean up during camp and on the final day. It is not the job of the counselors to clean up after you!
4. All counselors are to be treated with respect. If you feel they have to “earn your respect” before you listen to them, stay home.
   1. Back talk will not be tolerated.

Things to keep in mind:

1. Respect the chapel sections that each church designates as their assigned area. Don't encroach on their designated areas without clearing it with that church’s pastor/youth pastor.
   1. TBC: If you are not in our seating section when the services start, you are late!
2. Be aware that the Holy Spirit is working during worship and message. Don’t be Satan’s pawn that distracts someone that the Holy Spirit is speaking to.
   1. Be respectful during the invitation. You never know how close someone may be to making a life changing decision.
3. Participate in the activities. Sitting and watching others have fun, isn’t normally any fun!

Anyone who finds it necessary to disobey the guidelines will be considered disinterested in our camp program and will be dealt with individually. No refunds if you are sent home.

**I agree to abide by the camp guidelines outlined here and on the official camp forms. I understand that I am to abide by the spirit of the guidelines and not just the “letter of the law” and will apply these guidelines accordingly.**

**I understand that my parent/guardian will be called to pick me up at camp if I choose not to cooperate!**

**I will be particularly sensitive during the lessons, messages, and invitation time. I realize eternal decisions are being made and I refuse to be a disruption to someone's (or my) decisions for Christ.**

**Camper Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_**

**Parents Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_**