RUSH



CAMP

Parent Packet 2023

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REGISTRATION

Registration is handled directly by Camp Chautauqua at thecampbytheriver.com. For specific questions, please use the contact information: email: registration@thecampbytheriver.com or call: 937-746-3811. Make sure to select "BRANCHES CHURCH" when registering.

REGISTRATION DEADLINES

June 1, 2023 — Standard price (\$315) with guarantee of T-shirt (In 2019, we sold out).

June 16, 2023 — Standard price (\$315), but can't guarantee a T-shirt.

June 23, 2023 — Increased price (\$365) Chautaugua \$50 late fee imposed.

PAINTBALL & RAFTING

PAINTBALL (Restructured for 2023)

- The Paintball field is being relocated for the 2023 season.
- The new setup will be designed for more guests to have more playtime.
- The new price is \$5 per game. Payment is made at the field (cash only).
- Guests do not need to sign up in advance; simply show up at the new field.
- Safety training is still mandatory to play Paintball. This will be at the beginning of the week.
- Players will stay "in" for the whole game but will have "time-out stations" which will allow for continued play within the same game.
- Guests play on a first-come-first-play basis.
- Once a player has completed a game, they may get back in line to play another game.
- Camp will provide all the necessary equipment.

RAFTING

- Individuals must sign up in advance for this activity, done at camp. (Listen for announcements as to where and when.)
- The rafting fee is \$10 per person.
- Life vests are provided and must be worn by all participants.
- Guests must attend safety instructions prior to each trip.
- Guests launch rafts, under staff supervision, into the river at Camp Chautauqua.
- Guests must stay in the raft for the duration of the trip.
- Guests load rafts onto flatbed trailers when finished.
- Transportation back to camp is provided by Camp Chautaugua.
- Each raft must have a minimum of six participants, one leader, 21 or older, and one other adult.

STUDENT CHECKLIST

STUFF TO BRING

- A fantastic attitude and a desire to draw close to and hear from God.
- Bible, pen, notebook, etc.
- Girls bring one piece bathing suit (No cutouts and a two-piece which must be covered with a dark t-shirt).
- Warm and cool clothes for four days.
- Jacket.
- Flashlight.
- · Sleeping bag.
- Pillow.
- Pool towel.
- Shower towel.
- Personal hygiene items.
- Money for extra snacks, t-shirts, CDs, etc. (\$60 recommended)
- Sunscreen and sunglasses.

STUFF NOT TO BRING

- Spaghetti strap tops, midriffs, halter tops, and crop tops.
- "Short" shorts or skirts
- Bikinis or two-piece bathing suits (see above for details).
- Speedos.
- Tobacco, drugs, alcohol, lighters, weapons, or explosives.
- Fireworks.
- Water balloons.
- Clothing with questionable sayings, slogans, etc.
- Clothing that promotes alcohol, cigarettes, or any other inappropriate items.
- Skateboards, scooters, rollerblade, etc.

CAMP CHAUTAUQUA

CAMP

Twice each day, we'll gather with incredible leaders and students to worship and study God's Word together.

- Quiet Hours: See Camp Schedule for quiet hours. Everyone must be respectful of other church groups.
- Cabins: Camp attempts to place each church in its own cabin, or at least within a designated area of its cabin. Depending on the number of registered guests, some churches might have to share a cabin with another group. Please maintain a low noise level, pick up after yourself, and treat other groups with respect.
- **General Behavior:** The following behaviors will not be tolerated at camp: Fighting, abuse (physical or verbal), profane/foul language, indecent exposure (please be clothed and wear shoes when outside of your cabin), smoking, theft, inappropriate photography, disruptive or unacceptable behavior.
- Late Arrivals/Early Dismissal: When a registered camper arrives late or leaves early, the camper and a leader must come to the office to complete a form for the legal transfer of responsibility. Only parents/emergency contacts/counselors can take minors off the property.
- Visitors: All visitors must report to the camp office, and follow all established guidelines and security
 measures. Visitor dining is available (breakfast \$8.00, lunch & dinner \$10.00) and is payable in the
 office. Advance notice is GREATLY appreciated.

SCHEDULE

MONDAY

10:00am-12pm	Camp Check-In
12pm	Lunch
1:30-5:00pm	Free Time
5:30pm	Dinner
6:30pm	Church Big Group Time
7:00pm	Main Session
8:30pm	Church Small Group Time
9:15–10:15pm	Camp Wide Games
10:15pm	Quiet Hours
11:00pm	Lights Out

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, & THURSDAY

7:30am	Quiet Time
8:00am	Breakfast
9:00am	Main Session
10:00am-12:00pm	Small Group Discussion & Lunch
1:30-5:00pm	Free Time
5:30pm	Dinner
6:30pm	Church Big Group Time
7:00pm	Main Session
8:30pm	Church Small Group Time
9:15-11pm	Camp Wide Games
11:00pm	Lights Out

FRIDAY

7:00am	Pack-up & Clean-up
7:30am	Checkout
8:15am	Breakfast
9:00am	Main Session
10:00am	Camp Cleanup
10:30am	Departure

EXPECTATIONS

The bar is high because we know you can achieve it.

- Represent yourself well, represent your family name well, represent your Church well, and most importantly, represent Christ with excellence.
- We are staying at a camp with other churches and groups. Please be mindful of that and respect them well!
- Your leaders are in charge. We want this to be an amazing week, and we want to do it by keeping everyone safe while respecting those around us.
- Students will attend all large group and small group times.
- You are responsible for your personal items.
- All cell phones will be given to leaders prior to arriving at camp. (If you need to use your phone to contact a parent while at camp, just ask your leader.)
- No leaving cabins after curfew.
- No boys in girl cabins and no girls in boy cabins.
- No one should go into any cabin except their own.
- If you are dating and your significant other is going:
- No wandering off alone.
- If a student is dismissed from the camp for disciplinary actions, any costs associated with camp dismissal will be at the expense of the parents.

MEAL PLAN

OVERVIEW

All meals are covered in your cost of Camp. Students will purchase any additional snacks offered by Camp. (\$60 recommended for extra spending cash for snacks and merch.)

FOOD ALLERGIES/DIETARY RESTRICTIONS

Should you have a **medical** dietary need, state your need to the first person in the serving line, and they will make sure you receive your specially prepared food. Please contact the Food Service department if you have any questions at 937-746-3811 ext 5.

BREAKFAST

Monday: At home prior to leaving
Tuesday: Food provided by Camp
Wednesday: Food provided by Camp
Thursday: Food provided by Camp
Friday: Food provided by Camp

LUNCH

Monday: Food provided by Camp

Tuesday: Food provided by Camp

Wednesday: Food provided by Camp

Thursday: Food provided by Camp

DINNER

Monday: Food provided by Camp
Tuesday: Food provided by Camp
Wednesday: Food provided by Camp
Thursday: Food provided by Camp

QUESTIONS

- Will students be allowed to carry their own medicine?
 - No. Either the camp nurse or Leaders from our church will keep all medicine.
 - If there is no camp nurse, the leaders will keep the medicine in a lock box and distribute it to students as needed.
 - Please email your Youth Pastor beforehand to discuss any medications your student will need to take while at camp.
- When is the deadline to pay the remainder of my student's camp balance?
 - **June 16**. The remaining balance will automatically be taken out from the credit card you have on file 10 days prior to camp.
- Will students have their cell phones?
 - No. Leaders will keep all cell phones for the week. We want there to be as few distractions as possible, both for our students and those of other groups. If a student needs to get ahold of their parent, they can use their leader's phone.
 - If a parent wants to get ahold of their student, each leader's contact info is in the Parent Packet.
- Will students be in the same cabin as their leaders?
 - Yes.
- Does the camp provide pillows, sheets, and towels?
 - No. Students will need to bring a sleeping bag (or sheets and blankets) and a pillow.
- Do students need a nice/dressy outfit for chapel or a special event during the week?
 - No. However, students are welcome to bring a nice set of clothes if they would like.
- Can students bring a fishing pole?
 - No, there is no fishing at camp.
- Can students bring an instrument?
 - Yes.

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