

# CAMP NORTHWARD

Summer 2024

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Psalm 119:105

## Camper Manual





We are **so** glad that you will be joining us this summer at Camp Northward! Please read through this booklet to find all kinds of helpful information as you make plans for your camp session. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact the camp office. We are here to serve **you** and so are happy to help. Our contact information is available in this booklet and on our website: [www.campnorthward.org](http://www.campnorthward.org). See you this summer!

## WE ARE A CHRISTIAN CAMP

That doesn't mean you have to be a Christian to attend. It **does** mean that Christian values and concepts are taught here. Be prepared to learn about the God who created you, why He created you, and His love for you!

We offer summer camp sessions for kids from first grade through seniors graduating from high school. We also offer special events for college students and adults of all ages. Our programs and activities are designed to enable each camper to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ. **Everyone is welcome!**

## A LITTLE HISTORY FOR YOU:

Camp Northward started with 33 students in August of **1941** on the family farm of Raymond and Bell Odor. That first year there were no buildings or physical accommodations available – just an outdoor privy!

In May of **1952** it was announced that a generous gift of 7.53 acres in Falmouth, KY had been given to Northward by Miss Jessie Oldham. Miss Oldham is quoted as saying, "...in giving this land to Camp Northward I am fulfilling a dream of having a place to train young people in the Word of God."

After the devastating flood of **1997**, land was purchased on Broadford Road with the plan to move Camp Northward out of the flood zone.

In **2019** we completed the transition to Broadford Road. We look forward to many years of Christian ministry on this new campus. Thank you to everyone who made this transition possible!

# MISSION STATEMENT & GUIDING PRINCIPLES.

## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

**Camp Northward exists to encourage, strengthen and equip individuals for personal growth and a relationship with Jesus Christ.**

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## OUR VALUES

**We believe the Bible, both the Old & New Testaments, is the inspired, true, unfailing and complete revelation of God and the basis of all instruction. Therefore:**

- We will strive for excellence in safety, hospitality, facilities and programming so that nothing distracts from the teaching of God's Word and the spiritual development of participants.
- We will teach and encourage a lifestyle consistent with Biblical teaching and that is manifested by the Fruit of the Spirit.  
(Galatians 5:22-23)
- We will provide both personal and corporate worship opportunities.
- We will exemplify a Christlike life and attitude in all we do.
- We will endeavor to minister to the whole person: their spiritual, physical, emotional and social needs.
- We will partner with the local church in ministry.
- We will be a good steward with our resources.

# Camper Policies



**Authorized Pick Up** | individuals must be on the predetermined authorized pick-up list and have a valid picture identification ready in order to pick up a camper.

**Canteen Time** | Camp Northward is an all-inclusive camp experience. Campers will not need any money during their week of camp. All meals, snacks, canteen and activities are included in the cost of registration. During check-in/check-out, money can be given to support our mission for the summer. That is also a good time to purchase camp merch.

**Cell Phones** | Camp Northward is a cell phone-free zone for campers. Faculty and staff will use cell phones sparingly. Camper cell phones may be left at home or left in the camp office for safekeeping until the end of their session. Campers who leave a cell phone in the office are responsible for recovering it in a timely manner (the office will not drive, mail, etc. a cell phone to a camper's home).

**Check-in + Check-Out** | Please remember: arrive at the Pavilion early. Campers must be checked in by a parent or guardian unless "self-transport" was indicated on their registration form. To ensure the safety of our guests, no personal vehicles may go beyond the Pavilion parking lot during check-in. Transportation will be provided for Treehouse Adventure campers.

**Mail** | Parents can leave letters at the camp office, ideally at check-in time. Campers may also receive physical mail to our mailing address: **Camp Northward | P.O. Box 128 | Falmouth, KY 41040.** (Please note that we will not forward mail received after the session is over.) We do not use email at this time.

**Registration & Costs** | Registration for each camp session will be closed **two business days** prior to the start of the session. (This is typically the Thursday before.) Camper tuition (family portion) must also be paid at least **two business days** prior to the start of the session.

**Treehouse Adventure Mail** | TA campers will have one mail time per session. It will be on the Wednesday of their session.



# Packing Checklist

## Clothing

*Remember, you are going to get dirty!*

- Shorts
- Long pants (needed for the zip line)
- T-shirts
- Sweatshirt/jacket
- Socks
- Gym shoes
- Undergarments
- Swimsuit (one piece)
- Beach towel (for swimming or water activities)

## Toiletries

- Sleeping bag and/or sheet and blanket
  - *Single-size bunkbeds*
- Pillow
- Comb/brush
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrush
- Soap/Shampoo
- Washcloth
- Deodorant
- Shower Shoes
- Bath Towel



## Medication

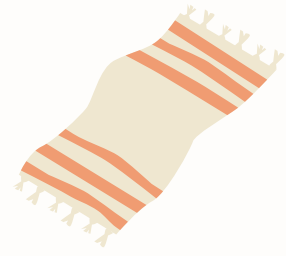
- Bring medications in original containers.
- You will give these to the nurse at check-in.
- Sunscreen
- Insect Repellant

## Important Extras

- Bible
- Notepad
- Pen/pencil
- Flashlight
- Laundry bag
- Water Bottle

## Day Camp Only

- Bible
- Beach towel
- Swimsuit
- Sunscreen
- Gym shoes



## Treehouse Adventure

*You might need a few extra items.*

- Extra clothes
- Extra undergarments
- Rain gear
- Extra shoes (2 pair)
- Water bottles
- Camping chair

## What Should I Leave at Home?

- Food, snacks + candy

*Don't worry, there will plenty for you here!*

- Toys
- Squirt Guns
- Skateboards
- Bikes
- Magazines
- Video Games
- Electronics
- Weapons (!)
- Phones



Camp Northward is not responsible for lost, stolen or broken items. Parents are responsible for making sure campers bring the proper items.



# Camper Rules



- **Respect others' bodies, emotions and belongings.**
  - "So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets." (Matthew 7:12)
- **Modest and decent clothing must be worn at all times.** Failure to abide by the dress code will be considered grounds for being sent home. Please see the camp "Dress Code" and guidelines below for further information.
- **Once you are here, don't leave!** Permission to leave the grounds may only be obtained from the Dean & the Director. The camper must also be signed out by the parent/guardian or otherwise authorized adult.
- **All illnesses must be reported to the Nurse immediately.** Please don't come to camp if you are sick. If you are running a temperature in the 24 hour period prior to the session, please stay home. Campers may arrive after they are temperature-free for 24 hours and they are feeling better.
- **The use of tobacco, alcohol, narcotics, undesirable language, weapons and firearms are forbidden on camp property.**
- **Be respectful of camp property.** Campers who destroy camp property (buildings, walls etc.) will be responsible for the cost of repair. Please do not write on the bunks, walls, etc.



## Clothing Guidelines

**Please keep in mind that the environment of Camp Northward is purposefully different than school, work or even home.** This goal is reflected, in part, by our clothing guidelines. The purpose of clothing at Camp Northward is to protect and cover. We do not want clothing to flaunt or draw attention to our bodies, nor promote anything that would go against the Word of God. Clothing promoting alcohol or tobacco products, as well as those that have suggestive statements, grotesque scenes or other graphics that are not consistent with a Christian environment may not be worn or displayed.

Remember that the ultimate goal is to bring glory to God, no matter what.

# CAMP NORTHWARD DRESS CODE



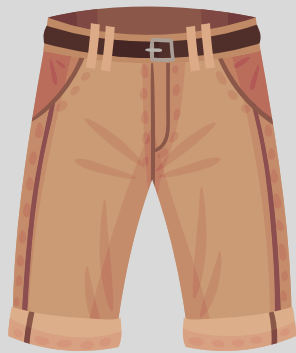
SHOES MUST BE  
WORN AT ALL TIMES.



CASUAL DRESS IS GREAT:  
JEANS,  
T-SHIRTS & SHORTS.



DRESSES & SKIRTS ARE  
GOOD CHOICES, TOO.



SHORTS & SKIRTS SHOULD  
BE MODEST IN LENGTH.  
NO SHORT SHORTS,  
PLEASE.



"...FOR YOU WERE BOUGHT  
AT A PRICE. SO GLORIFY  
GOD WITH YOUR BODY."

- 1 CORINTHIANS 6:20 CSB



MODESTY: PLEASE NO TIGHT  
CLOTHING, LOW NECKLINES,  
SPAGHETTI STRAPS, ETC.



NO BIKINIS/TWO-PIECE  
SWIMSUITS.



BASKETBALL TANKS  
OK, BUT NO SPLITS DOWN  
THE SIDE.  
PANTS PULLED UP.



CLOTHING SHOULD  
BE FUNCTIONAL,  
NON-DISTRACTIONG  
& BEFITTING OF A  
CHRISTIAN ATMOSPHERE.

Note: the dean/camp staff reserve the right to define "modest" and ask campers to change if necessary. We ask that all visitors abide by our dress code.



“Your Word is a lamp to my feet, and  
a light to my path.”

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