

## CAMP TRIBE 2025 INFORMATION PACKET

**W**e are thrilled you are registered for Camp TRIBE 2025! It is going to be a week you will never forget. Please make sure you read through your information so that you're prepared before and during camp, and on the days of check in and check out. If you have any questions that are not covered in this packet, please call us: 865-773-0488.

**\*\* PLEASE READ EVERY DETAIL OF THIS PACKET AS SOME OF THE GUIDELINES HAVE BEEN UPDATED FOR 2025. \*\***

### ***CHECK IN AND CHECK OUT INFO AND MONDAY SCHEDULE:***

**CHECK IN: Monday, July 14 from 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM.** Please do not come before 2:00 PM. You will be asked to stop at the entrance gate upon arrival to be checked off our Entrance List; then you will drive to the main sanctuary, across from the b.b. court, then a leader will come to the main office (facing the playground) to check in. We ask that all students remain in the vehicle at the main sanctuary until the leader checks everyone in. Rapid Check-in is available for individuals or groups who PAY IN FULL before July 3. **An early dinner will be served from 4:30PM – 5:45PM.**

**ORIENTATION MEETINGS** for both students and adult volunteers begin at 6:00 PM after the early dinner. **THIS IS A MANDATORY MEETING!** Please make sure you plan your travel time accordingly. Students will go to their class meeting spaces for their particular orientation meeting (see map). Adult Volunteers: your orientation meeting will under the Pavilion.

**CHECK OUT: Friday, July 18 | 12:00 Noon.** Please make sure all students are picked up, and all groups have departed the campground by 12:30PM. **Children will only be allowed to depart with who or the group he/she arrived with or one of the authorized adults listed on the Permission to Participate Form. Driver's License will be checked!** There will be a check-out line around the campus (follow the signs or volunteers). You will check out via the Sanctuary in a drive-thru line. Group leaders will turn in keys and check your group/student out at the Sanctuary.

**\*\*WE HAVE A NEW CHECK-OUT SYSTEM THIS YEAR THAT SHOULD BE MORE EFFICIENT, however, check-out is just as tedious and important as check-in, so thank you for having patience and understanding as the sole purpose is to make sure every student is safe.\*\***

### GROUP REGISTRATION

If you are attending with a group, you still need to fill out an individual registration form online. Leaders will need to fill out an online Group Registration form, as well. If all online forms are completed and paid in full by **July 3**, you will go through RAPID CHECK-IN on registration day.

### ***FAQ's AND OTHER INFO:***

#### PHYSICAL ADDRESS

SIGNAL MOUNTAIN CAMPGROUND | 4440 HASSLER ROAD, SIGNAL MOUNTAIN, TN

#### CAN REGISTRATIONS BE CANCELLED OR TRANSFERRED?

Sorry, all sales are final, but can be transferred **ONLY** to someone of the same gender or rolled over to the next year (2026 only).

#### CAN I VISIT IF I'M NOT REGISTERED AS A VOLUNTEER OR STUDENT?

Our night services are open to everyone. The gate will be opened to receive guests at 6:45 PM each night. All visitors must sign in with proper ID and will receive a Visitor's Badge that must be worn the entire time. There is a designated entrance/exit door for visitors. Please follow the signs or ask a Greeter upon arrival.

All visitors must check out and return their badges immediately following service at the Visitor's Entrance/Exit Door. PLEASE NOTE: before any student will be dismissed from service, all visitors will be dismissed first.

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### IS INFANT/TODDLER CARE AVAILABLE?

No. Night Service Visitors with children must remain with their child AT ALL TIMES. We do not have accommodations for parents with small children/babies at camp. Please make other arrangements.

### CAN CHILDREN UNDER 9 REGISTER FOR TRIBE?

It is not recommended, however, if she/he is accompanied by a parent or legal guardian of the same gender, we will consider it after we see we have enough space. If permitted, the child and adult must pay the full student fee each. Please also note, any adult attending with children under 9 will not be allowed to serve as a volunteer, as that person's main responsibility will be to take care of their child. **Please also note, our camp is designed for ages 9+, as such, Tribal Games and Tribe Classes (1, 2, and 3) will not be open for those under 9.** Please call the office with any questions: 865-773-0488.

### CAN I CHECK MY CHILD OUT EARLY DURING THE WEEK?

Yes, but please make sure you phone ahead of time (865-773-0488) to let the admin staff know the exact day and time early pick-up. \*Please note, early pick-up cannot be during class times (10:45a-12:30p) or service times (6:45p-9:45p). Make plans to pick your child up before or after those times.

### CELL PHONES, MOBILE DEVICES, WI-FI, ETC.

Please make sure you relay this information to everyone on your team, your youth group, and all parents:

Camp Tribe is an electronic-free environment. Our goal is to move youth away from the constant stimuli of technology. A young person will naturally disengage and disconnect from cabin mates, group leaders, classes, teachers, activities, and services if they have the temptation of a mobile device in their possession.

We apologize if this seems like an inconvenience, however, we have very valid reasons: 1 - it cuts down on interruptions during classes & services. 2 - it keeps students from distractions. 3 - it greatly reduces loss, theft, and/or damage of electronics. **HOWEVER, on the last day of camp (Friday morning), kids may have their devices back (IF parents and leaders agree) to take pictures and share contact information.**

We will have computers and wi-fi available in the admin office for use. We also have phones available in the admin office for students to call home during activity times (1:00 - 4:30) every day, if they want. We encourage students to call home if they want to or their parents want them to do so.

**Pastors & Leaders, please make as many copies as you need of the following pages for your Tribe students, parents, and leaders.**

## **11 MAIN TRIBE GUIDELINES**

**PARENTS & ADULT LEADERS, PLEASE GO OVER THE CHECKLISTS AND GUIDELINES WITH YOUR KIDS/GROUP. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL US: 865-773-0488. IF THESE 11 GUIDELINES ARE FOLLOWED, THERE SHOULD BE NO ISSUES!**

- NO tobacco products allowed at Tribe. You cannot vape, smoke, dip, or chew any tobacco products on campus. If you are caught doing so, the products will be confiscated and it could result in your expulsion from camp. This rule also applies to all adult volunteers.
- No drugs or alcohol will be allowed at Tribe. If you are caught with any drugs or alcohol or any related paraphernalia, it will be confiscated and the local sheriff's department will be called. This will result in expulsion from Tribe.
- No cursing or foul language will be tolerated. Leaders, please help us enforce this by calling it out, and then bringing the student to the office if it continues.
- No fighting or arguing will be tolerated.
- During services, you are expected to participate in worship and altar services. You are expected to discipline yourself as the word is being preached or taught by listening and following along in your Bible or reading along as scriptures or outlines are displayed on the screen.
- During activity time, we ask that you dress appropriately and behave with good sportsmanship. The pool is closed this year. However, we will have water slides and activities during activity times. Each activity will be monitored by an adult who will make sure the rules are being followed so that every stays safe. Normal play clothes are fine for these activities. **NO WHITE CLOTHES, PLEASE**, as they become see-through when wet.
- **FAMOUS 6" RULE:** strictly enforced - Absolutely NO touching, hugging, holding hands, kissing, etc will be allowed (except by married couples, and that must be in moderation and appropriate). A good rule of thumb is to keep at least 6" between you and others at all times. We are focusing on our First Love, Jesus.
- No pairing off or wandering off alone will be allowed. We expect you to stay with a group of three or more at all times. This is for accountability and your protection. Don't be surprised, if you are seen pairing off or wandering off alone, to be told to come back over with the group and find someone else to hang out with.
- You will not be allowed to leave the grounds at anytime. There will be off campus drivers available in case of emergency. Students driving to Tribe will be expected to park their vehicles and leave the keys in the safety of the main office until the end of camp.
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- **HAVE FUN!!** We know rules and regulations aren't always "fun", but these guidelines are in place for safety and accountability purposes, and to help move you out of your comfort zone and build real, lasting relationships **FIRST, WITH JESUS CHRIST**, and then with others. We **PROMISE** - there is so much fun at Camp Tribe, you will find, if you have the right attitude, you will have the time of your life!

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### PACKING LIST:

- Towels - three should be enough, if hung up to dry after each use.
- One large or beach towel for water activities.
- Bedding: pillow, twin sheets, blankets (or a sleeping bag instead of bed linens).

*All facilities are air-conditioned!*

- Toiletries: toothbrush/paste; hairbrush/comb; shampoo, soap, etc. - TIP: Have your students and adult leaders pack a water-proof toiletry bag to put all their items in for the shower house. It will make things much easier as they walk back and forth.
- Shower shoes - like crocs-style flip flops or sandals are perfect as they dry fast and can be worn INSIDE the shower.
- Service items: Bible, notebook & pen, money or change for offerings
- Extra money for Concessions or SEEDS Bookstore & Gifts
- Medication: if meds are to be taken during camp, please write specific instructions for our camp nurses and keep meds in the original container. Bring them to the Nurse's Check-in on Day 1.
- Sunscreen and mosquito repellent

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**CLOTHING INFO:** Modest means appropriate. Anything that would distract you or others from receiving all God has for you would be considered inappropriate.

- Destroyed Jeans: rips, holes, and tears cannot come above mid-thigh on females or males at any time.
- Shirts should be the appropriate length for both genders and all ages. Short shirts or belly shirts are not allowed.
- Ladies should pack outfits appropriate for night services (as in, no shorts or play/lounge clothes - we will have night services Mon. - Thur.). If skirts are worn, they **MUST** be below the knee in length. **Anything shorter will not be allowed, and you will be sent back to your cabin to change.** However, leggings under skirts are allowed. NO spaghetti strap or halter top shirts allowed. Skinny jeans, leggings, jeggings, or tight yoga pants must be accompanied by a super long shirt that will not come above the behind and crotch when jumping, kneeling, bending over, or raising hands (do the mirror test). We understand these may not be the dress guidelines on a daily basis for you, but we do have our reasons for them at camp.
- Ladies should pack modest activity clothes. **Shorts must be at least mid-thigh when sitting.** If you don't have shorts that length, we suggest just packing pants or capri-length slacks (tip: thrift some cute jeans and cut them off at the appropriate length). Wider sleeved, sleeveless shirts are acceptable as long as there are no visible side boobs or bra. NO spaghetti strap or halter top shirts allowed. Skinny jeans, leggings, jeggings, or tight yoga pants must be accompanied by a super long shirt that will not come above the behind and crotch when playing sports, jumping, bending over or raising hands (do the mirror test).
- **Lady Leaders, please cover these guidelines with your students, and please model them for your students. We really don't want to have to send anyone back because of attire - especially our leaders - but we will if we need to.**
- Gentlemen should pack neat, clean clothes for night services. Pack long pants/jeans for every night service (we will have night services Mon. - Thur.). **No shorts during the night services.** Clean shirts, no offensive logos or words on tops, and **no tank tops**. MODEST is the key word.
- Gentlemen need to pack modest activity clothes. **No tanks or cut off sleeved shirts that drop an inch below the underarms.** Skinny jeans/pants must not be too tight or low (revealing underwear and skin). **Shorts must be knee-length, and must not come above mid-thigh when sitting.**
- **Male Leaders, please cover these guidelines with your students, and please model them for your students. We really don't want to have to send anyone back because of attire - especially our leaders - but we will if we need to.**