CAMP
LONE STAR

DAY CAMPER INFORMATION PACKET

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ADVENTUROUS CHRIST-CENTERED EXPERIENCES

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CHECK-IN & CHECK-OUT

CHECK-IN

Check-In is from 7:30-8 a.m. on Monday only and 7:45-8 a.m., Tuesday-Friday. Check-in is a highly organized system, located in the Retreat Center parking lot. Upon arrival, our staff will guide you to park your car. You will only need to take medications to check-in on Monday, when we will check in all camper medications, review liability and pick-up information, and receive their group assignments.

- Late Arrival: If you need to drop your camper off after 8 a.m., please contact our office in advance to let us know your expected arrival time. You can reach us at (979) 968-1657 or registration@camplonestar.org. When you arrive, please stop by the front office, where our staff will direct you to a drop-off location.
- Absence: If your camper is unable to attend, please notify our office before 8 a.m. by calling (979) 968-1657 or emailing registration@camplonestar.org. This will help us avoid waiting for your camper's arrival. Thank you!

CHECK-OUT

Campers can be picked up at the Retreat Center parking lot between 4:45-5:15 p.m., Monday-Thursday. On Monday of each week, we will give you a pick up slip for you to keep in your vehicle. If someone else is picking up your child for the day make sure they bring a photo ID. Stop at the office as well to sign out with our Day Camp Staff to ensure the safety of all of our campers.

- Early Pick-Up: If you need to pick up your camper before 4:45 p.m., please notify our office in advance at (979) 968-1657 or registration@camplonestar.org. Upon arrival, stop by the front office to show ID and sign out your camper. Our staff will then direct you to a pick-up location.

There will be a special Closing Program for family and friends on Friday at 4:15 p.m. in the Koop Center.

CLOSING PROGRAM

On Friday, our staff will help you park, and direct you to the Koop Center. At closing program, you will enjoy watching your camper sing songs and share stories from the week and what they learned in their time at Camp. You won't want to miss it! You can start the following check-out process before or after Closing Program:

- Show your ID to the Camp staff.
- Sign your name on the release form. (Campers will only be released to the individuals listed on your release form. Please ensure all parents/guardians, family and friends on included.)
- Receive your camper's medications (if applicable).
- Receive a card with your camper's name and group assignment. (Keep this card with you for when you pick up your camper.)
- After closing program, you will provide the card with your camper's information to their counselor before they can be released to you.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION & POLICIES

ACCEPTANCE

Our summer programs are open to all, with equal acceptance and participation for everyone, regardless of race, color, age, sex, national origin, disability, political belief, or religion.

GROUP REQUESTS

Group mates are friends that you would like to request to be in the same day camp group with. You can log in to your Campwise account online to change group mate requests by clicking on the 'Optional Items' button.

Group mates must meet the following criteria:

- Both the camper making the request and the requested camper must mutually request each other.
- They must be no more than 2 years apart in age.

The opportunity to develop new friendships, some of which may last a lifetime, is one of the richest blessings that Camp has to offer. Sharing the Camp experience with current friends is also a blessing. We will do our best to honor your group mate requests. However, if more than two reciprocal group mates were requested, there is a chance that honoring some requests may not be possible.

MEDICAL INFORMATION

Camp Lone Star's medic station is equipped with basic over-the-counter medications and first aid supplies, and our Medic Coordinator is onsite the entire summer. All camper medications, including vitamins, sleep aids, supplements, and herbal remedies, must be checked in with the medic staff during check-in. Please do not pack medications in your camper's backpack or bag. Inhalers and epi-pens will be given directly to the camper's counselor, who will keep them on hand at all times during the day. Inhalers and epi-pens will be sent home with your camper at the end of each day. All other medications will be returned during the check-out process at our Closing Program on Friday.

If your camper has food allergies, please indicate this in your camper's online account by clicking 'Update Info' next to their name, then selecting the 'Medical' box. Doing this prior to arrival ensures our food service team can accommodate your child's dietary needs.

Finally, please check your camper for lice before arrival. All campers must be free of active head lice, nits, and larvae to be admitted to Camp.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION & POLICIES

IN THE EVENT OF ILLNESS AT CAMP

While we want every camper to stay at camp all week long, we also know that sickness can be a reality for some campers. If your camper develops symptoms of any illness, our Medic Coordinator will reach out to you and inform you of their symptoms and how we have treated them thus far. In coordination with you, we will continue to treat and monitor them for 8 hours. If their illness has not resolved by that time, you will be asked to come pick up your camper. Day Camp only: If your camper is sent home, we ask that they are symptom free for 24 hours before returning to camp.

MEDICAL EXPENSES & INSURANCE

Camp Lone Star does not include accident insurance in the cost of your camper's registration. In the event of illness or injury requiring special medical treatment, prescription medicine, or hospitalization, any related expenses will be forwarded directly to the camper's parents or guardians.

REQUIRED FORMS (COMPLETE BEFORE CAMP)

Several forms must be completed by a parent or guardian through your camper's Campwise account at least three days before your camper's arrival. These forms are regularly updated and must be submitted annually.

To complete the necessary forms, log into your camper's Campwise account and follow these steps:

1. Click on 'Update Info' > 'Forms' button to access:
    - Camper Information Form
    - Camper Release Form
    - Camper Medical Information Form
    - Profile Form
    - Trading Post Refund Information
    - Cancellation Policy
2. Click on 'Update Info' > 'Medical' button to access:
    - Allergy Information: If your camper has no allergies, select 'No Known Allergies'.
    - Medication Information: Select the camper's session and click 'Add Medication' to list any required meds.
    - Over-the-Counter Medication Information: Choose the medications that our Medic Coordinator is authorized to administer without needing to contact you first.

Additionally, in accordance with Texas Health Code, an up-to-date annual Camper Medical Information Form is required for each camper. This form must be completed every year. If your camper is exempt from immunizations, you must have a current immunization exemption affidavit on file. If any of this information changes before your camper's arrival, please update the relevant sections in your Campwise account using the steps above. Keeping this information current helps speed up the check-in process.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION & POLICIES

SLEEPOVER OPTION

Sleepover options are available for Weeks 1, 3, 7, & 9 on Thursday nights for campers ages 8-13. The $50 campout fee covers dinner, breakfast & s'mores. You can add the sleepover through the registration process or reach out to registration@camplonestar.org to get your camper signed up.

TRADING POST

All Trading Post money should be deposited into your camper's account at least 1 week before your camper's session. Starting this year, we will use a cashless system, so no money will be accepted during check-in. We hope this change will help streamline both the Trading Post and check-in processes.

Camp Lone Star's Trading Post offers a variety of drinks, snacks, shirts, hats, and other items. Snacks range from $1-$2 and merchandise from $3 to $35. Campers are allowed to purchase multiple snacks on each visit, but no more than one from each category (Water/Gatorade, Soda, Ice Cream, Dry Snack) at a time. On the last full day of Camp, they can buy souvenirs to take home.

Campers Age 5-13: We recommend at least $20 for snacks, plus additional funds for merchandise. (Allows for two items each day).

How to Add Trading Post Money to Your Camper's Account:

1. Log into your Campwise account.
2. Click 'Make a Payment' > 'No, I Don't'.
3. Choose the camper(s) you want to add money for, then click 'Process Selected Campers'.
4. On the next screen, find the row labeled Registration, Store, Pmt. Options & Confirmation and select 'Store'.
5. Enter the amount you'd like your camper to have access to in the Trading Post, then click 'Payment Options' to enter your credit card information.

After Closing Program, the Trading Post will be open for families to purchase any snacks or souvenirs to take home. Please note: Trading Post accounts will be closed at this time. We can accept Cash, Check, Credit and Tap payments.

Refunds: Purchases at the Trading Post will be deducted from your camper's account. Any remaining balance will either be refunded to the card used to load your camper's account or donated to our Campership Fund, based on your selection during registration.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION & POLICIES

CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS

- More than 14 days: Cancellation's occurring 14 days prior to your camper's session will result in a refund of all payments minus a $175 cancellation fee for each overnight 5-night or 6-night session ($75 for each 2-night or $50 for Day Camp session). All registration funds may be transferred to another session during the same summer if the request is made 14 days in advance of the session you are transferring from.
- Less than 14 days: Cancellations occurring within 14 days of your camper's session will result in a forfeiture of all payments. If the request to transfer is within 14 days of the session you wish to transfer from, it will result in a $175 cancellation fee for each overnight 5-night or 6-night session ($75 for each 2-night or $50 for each Day Camp session).
    - Less than 48 hours: For requests made less than 48 hours before check-in, there will be no refund or transfer offered.

Dismissal: Camp Lone Star reserves the right to dismiss any camper whose behavior is deemed disruptive or harmful to the Camp community. No refunds will be issued for campers dismissed for disciplinary or medical reasons. Additionally, Camp Lone Star does not offer registration cost adjustments for absences, early withdrawals, late arrivals or if your camper is sent home before their session ends due to disciplinary or medical reasons.

REGISTRATION BALANCE PAYMENT

To officially reserve your Camper's Day Camp spot, a $50 deposit per week is required at the time of registration. If full payment was not paid at the time of registration, the remaining balance for each session must be paid in full at least 2 weeks prior to the start of that session (by Sunday at 11:59pm). If full payment is not received by the deadline, a $10 late fee will be added to each affected session.

PREPARING FOR CAMP

SETTING UP FOR SUCCESS AT CAMP

- Review the contents of their backpack or bag each day, so your camper knows what they've packed and where to find it.
- Discuss with your camper how to communicate any problems or concerns with their counselor.
- Talk through what to expect at Camp, especially if this is your camper's first time attending.
- Go over Camp rules and regulations to ensure both you and your camper are clear on what is expected of them. This is important for returning campers too, as rules and regulations are updated annually.

WALDO: PHOTO DELIVERY SERVICE

Camp Lone Star partners with Waldo to provide photos of your camper throughout the week! Using facial recognition technology, Waldo delivers photos directly to your phone during your camper's session.

When you subscribe to Waldo, 50% of your subscription fee goes toward our Campership Fund (camper scholarships)!

To Enroll: Text the code CLS26 to 735-343

Not interested in receiving photos directly? No problem! You can still view all the photos in our free online gallery. Simply visit waldophotos.com/galleries and enter the code CLS26 to access the photos.

Note: The only guarantee to see your camper in photos is by signing up for Waldo.

PHOTO & VIDEO REPLICATION

Camp Lone Star reserves the right to use, reproduce, and/or copy any video footage, pictures, parent evaluations, etc. taken or provided during any summer camp session, after-camp evaluation, and/or Camp Lone Star event. These materials may be used for promotional and marketing purposes, including print or web publications, or in any other way deemed necessary by Camp Lone Star. Rest assured, no camper, staff member, or parent's name will be published in association with any of these materials without explicit permission.

CAMPER ACTIVITIES & SCHEDULING

Your camper will spend the day with their day camp group, led by a trained summer counselor, participating in a variety of Camp activities. A typical day includes:

- Daily Welcome/Check-In
- All-Camp Song Time & VIP Message
- Day Camp Group Activities
- Lunch
- Flat on Back (FOB)
- More Day Camp Group Activities
- Daily Closing/Check-Out

PACKING LIST

Be sure to clearly label all of your camper's items, especially towels, shirts, shorts, water bottles, and their Bible!

Here's a suggested packing list to ensure they're prepared for their time at Camp:

- Pillow & Blanket (for FOB after lunch)
- Extra Set of Clothes
- Sneakers or Closed-Toed Shoes
- Closed-Toed Lake Shoes: Water shoes that can get muddy or dirty (no open heel shoes like Crocs).
- Bible, Notebook, and Pen
- Water Bottle: Remind your camper that staying hydrated is important, especially when you're spending all day outside. Consider setting a hydration goal with your camper for how many bottles they should drink each day.
- Swimsuit: For females, a modest one-piece swimsuit without cutouts or tankini that covers midriff. For males, swim trunks of modest length, no speedos or jammers. This is for the comfort, safety, and modesty of all campers. All campers must wear shirts, shorts, or sufficient cover over swimwear to and from water activities.
- Swim Towel
- Rain Jacket or Poncho
- Sunscreen and Insect Repellent
- Bag for Dirty Clothes/Wet Swimsuit: This can be a plastic grocery bag or similar.

As you pack, take the time to help your camper become familiar with the items they'll be bringing. This will make it easier for them to settle in and feel comfortable during their Camp experience.

WHAT NOT TO BRING

To maintain a positive and respectful Camp environment, we ask that parents carefully monitor the clothing items worn/packed for their camper. Campers may not wear: short shorts, tight or low-rise pants, tight or revealing t-shirts, cropped shirts, or bikini-style swimsuits. If a camper is not in compliance with the dress code, they will be asked to change.

Additionally, the following items are strictly prohibited. If found, they will be confiscated and can be picked up by parents at the end of the session:

- Cell phones, smartwatches, tablets, or other electronic devices
- Weapons (including pocket knives), lighters, illegal drugs, alcohol, tobacco/vaping products, or fireworks
- Gum, candy, food, or other edible items
- Any prohibited clothing items

RULES & EXPECTATIONS

CAMPER RULES

Please review these rules & regulations with your camper. These rules are in place to ensure the safety and well-being of all involved. At Camp Lone Star, we require both campers and staff to show respect for each other, camp property, and the rules.

Electronics: Campers are not permitted to make or receive phone calls during their session, except in the case of an emergency. Cell phones, smartwatches, tablets, and electronic games are not allowed at Camp Lone Star and will be confiscated. Any confiscated items may be picked up by parents at the end of the day or week.

Fighting: Fighting is not tolerated under any circumstances. Campers who engage in fighting may be sent home, and their eligibility to return to Camp in the future will be evaluated.

Contraband: Campers found in possession of weapons, lighters, alcohol, tobacco/vaping products (including Juuls), or illegal drugs will be immediately dismissed from the Camp program.

BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

To maintain a safe and healthy environment for all campers, Camp Lone Star follows a progressive discipline process to address behavior concerns. At the start of each week, day camp groups will spend time together gaining an understanding of what is expected of them.

If a camper's behavior needs attention during the week, they will first receive a warning.

If the behavior continues, the summer counselor will have a one-on-one conversation with the camper to better understand their actions and reinforce the purpose behind Camp's rules.

If behavior issues persist, parents/guardians will be contacted, and the possibility of sending the camper home will be discussed.

Certain behaviors, particularly those involving physical aggression toward others, will lead to immediate parental contact and may result in the camper being sent home.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

HOW DO I GIVE PERMISSION FOR SOMEONE TO PICK UP MY CAMPER?

Campers will only be released to individuals listed on the Release Form in the camper's Campwise account. If someone not listed on the form needs to pick up your camper, please email your approval to registration@camplonestar.org. A photo ID will be required for camper release each day.

WHAT IS THE SELECTION PROCESS FOR SUMMER STAFF?

All summer staff undergo a thorough selection process, including a background check, written application, references, and a personal interview. All counselors are over the age of 18.

WHAT TYPE OF TRAINING DO SUMMER STAFF GO THROUGH?

All summer staff participate in an immersive two-week training program, covering topics such as theology, Bible study, program leadership, brain and child development, and more. All staff are also First Aid, CPR, and AED certified.

HOW ARE DAY CAMP GROUP ASSIGNMENTS MADE?

Campers are assigned to groups based on age, typically finalized the week before campers arrive at Camp. While we strive to honor group mate requests, we cannot guarantee that all requests will be fulfilled.

CAN I VISIT MY CAMPER DURING THE WEEK?

To maintain a focused and immersive experience, there are no parent or family visits during your camper's session. Camp Lone Star welcomes visitors during Check-In and at Closing Program only.

WHAT IF MY CAMPER FORGETS SOMETHING AT CAMP?

Any lost items will be stored in our Lost & Found. If you realize your camper has left something behind at Camp, please call us at (979) 968-1657. We will mail lost items only if shipping is paid in advance by credit card. Unclaimed items by the end of the calendar year will be donated to a local charitable organization.

To review additional FAQ's, visit camplonestar.org/lagrange-summer/

HAVE QUESTIONS?
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