KCA Camp Handbook

Camp Guidelines & Information

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Welcome to the KCA campground!



Kentucky Christian Assembly is a Christian

service camp. A Christian service camp is a place where young people come together for a week with God.

Our purpose is to provide a Christian atmosphere in which the camper feels the presence of God in every activity. Although the camp is sponsored by area Christian churches, **any young person, regardless of church affiliation, is invited to attend.** Rules for participation are the same everywhere without regard to race, color, gender or national origin.

The Value of Bible Class...Class time is a great time! It provides an opportunity for mountain top experiences of learning. Class allows the pupil and teacher to gain spiritual ammunition, which is needed as we go back to our communities. Class time affords an excellent opportunity for a spiritually balanced diet. Christ stated it this way, "I am the bread of life, he that comes to me shall never hunger."

The Value of Recreation...Many campers come to camp wanting nothing but recreation, but then camp would be meaningless. We plan recreational opportunities each day to give campers the opportunity to use some of their energy. An afternoon may be filled with softball, volleyball, carpetball, basketball, kickball or corn hole matches. Swimming is the choice two afternoons per week. With this as part of our program, young people learn to play fairly with Christian sportsmanship. The games are important to our physical wellbeing, but playing with the correct frame of mind is of greater value.

The Value of Vespers...As we close out a busy day at KCA, vespers or campfire bring the attention back to God and why we are at camp. Speakers and campers shape the evening as we draw closer to our Lord. Surrounded by the beauty of nature and the quiet of the hills, God seems closer than ever. It is so easy in our modern world to be so busy with school and community activities that we forget our spiritual growth, vespers is a time of spiritual renewal with God.



My Christian Camp Commandments

I will strive to represent CHRIST in all I do and say, realizing my actions may either push someone away from CHRIST or pull someone to Him.

- 1. I will attend all classes, and bring my Bible. I will show respect to the speakers.
- 2. I will respect myself and others, so I will dress appropriately, following the camp dress code.
- 3. I will treat the staff and other campers with respect at all times, and will not be alone with members of the opposite sex.
- 4. I will not use language that could be considered offensive.
- 5. I will not bring alcohol, tobacco products, drugs, knives or weapons to camp.
- 6. I will remain inside the fenced area of camp, unless permission has been given to do otherwise.
- 7. I understand that boys are not allowed near the girl's dorm and girls are not allowed near the boy's dorm.
- 8. I will remain inside my dorm after lights out.
- 9. I will respect all camp property.
- 10. I will be with camp staff and a group of 3 or more when leaving the camp ground.

My actions and attitudes will have a direct effect on my camp experience. This is an opportunity to strengthen others and my own walk with Christ!

Camp Guidelines

Clothing

Campers, Junior Counselors and Staff are required to be modest and decent. (Cover the parts that shouldn't show!) Shirts must cover the midriffs and bras (straps, too). Shirts should not be low cut. Underwear should not be visible. Tshirts should reflect Christ-like behavior. Nothing should be offensive to anyone. In general, clothing should be consistent with being Christ-like in mixed company, not inviting inappropriate actions or thought.

Parents – Please check the clothing that is brought to camp. Ultimately you are responsible if your child is dressed immodestly.

PDA - Public Display of Affection

This is discouraged. If someone is here with their sweet-heart, anything beyond hand holding is unacceptable. We apply the 6-inch rule...if there is no light between you, you are too close!

Visitors

All visitors, including cooks, workers & teachers should register at the main building (dining hall) each time they arrive on campus. This is for the safety of the campers and insurance purposes.

Phone

The camp phone does not have long distance. A phone card may be used for long distance calls. Dorm parents have phones for emergencies. Cell phones are discouraged. If campers bring a cell phone, it must remain in the dorms.

Leaving Campus

Leaving the camp for any reason during the week of camp requires parental permission and arrangements with the dean. A form must be signed by the parent/guardian at the time of leaving and when returning.

Bible, pen and paper Mission money Flashlight Twin sheets and blanket or sleeping bag Pillow Towels and washcloths Soap, shampoo and deodorant Toothbrush and toothpaste Hairbrush or comb Insect repellant Modest clothing Sunscreen and lip balm Swimsuit (girls-1 piece only) and pool towel Tote – to carry belonging to pool Plastic bag for wet clothes Light jacket At least one pair of long pants Rain gear Comfortable old shoes and at least one pair of tennis shoes A small fan is a good idea Extra money for the pool (The camp sends a snack and drink, but the pool has a snack bar where you can purchase other food.

ALL MEDICATIONS (including over-the-counter) must be checked in when you arrive at camp. They will be dispensed when the camper needs them. They must be in the original container with the campers name on them.

Please do not bring items that are expensive or irreplaceable. KCA is not responsible for items that are lost or stolen.

Parents Page

What parents can expect for their children at KCA...

- To have a safe and happy experience.
- To learn about God, His Son Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit through classes and activities such as scripture walks and memory work, small group time, skits and campfire.
- To develop a sense of greater independence and responsibility, teamwork, fellowship and self-confidence with other area Christian youth.
- To learn more about relationship building: with God, with peers and with adults.
- To be supervised and taught by trained staff, volunteers and junior counselors.
- To receive prompt, quality emergency health care, if needed.
- To have many happy memories and friendship from a week at Kentucky Christian Assembly.

Bible class subjects and materials, as well as social issues are selected to be age appropriate. There are physical and developmental differences between age groups. We request that your child attend the appropriate week so they may have the best possible experience.

Please note – If for any reason you wish to stay overnight with child, you MUST have a current State of Kentucky criminal background check on file in the camp office prior to your stay. The fee is \$20 and please allow at least 2 weeks to obtain the background check. NO ONE, OVER AT 18, CAN REMAIN OVERNIGHT WITHOUT A BACKGROUND CHECK. THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS.

Mayfest

- \checkmark This is held the first Sunday in May each year.
- ✓ Junior Counselor Training at 2pm.
- ✓ Potluck meal at 5:30pm
- ✓ Program at 6:30pm
- Pre-registration and information for the upcoming camp season

Round-Up

- ✓ This is held the last Sunday in August
- ✓ Gates open at 4pm for fun and fellowship
- ✓ Potluck meal at 5:30
- ✓ Program at 6:30
- ✓ Bring lawn chair or blanket (No pets, please)

Check the KCA website for other information on upcoming events. www.kcacc.org

Other KCA Events

KCA Congregations

GARRARD COUNTY Bethel Christian Church Level Green Christian Church New Antioch Christian Church Scotts Fork Christian Church Victory Christian Church

LINCOLN COUNTY Crab Orchard Christian Church McKinney Christian Church

PULASKI COUNTY Southern Heights Christian Church

> ROCKCASTLE COUNTY Brodhead Christian Church Climax Christian Church First Christian Church Livingston Christian Church Wildie Christian Church

KCA is managed by a Board of Directors, with two directors appointed from each supporting congregation. Trustees, the legal representatives of KCA, are elected from the Board of Directors. Ministers of each supporting congregation act as advisors to KCA. Volunteers from each congregation help maintain the camp, cook the meals and serve as dorm parents, counselors, teachers and other support staff.