IMPORTANT CAMP INFORMATION FOR PARENTS
PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Please read the following information carefully. ***Our mandatory camp meeting for parents and campers will be Tuesday, May 26, at 6:00 pm in the sanctuary. The meeting starts at 6:00,but you can arrive early for medication, t-shirt pick-up, and to ask any questions.***

Tuesday, May 26

- Please pick up your t-shirt before you go into the sanctuary.
- If you are lacking signatures, insurance uploads, or payments, you can log into your parent dashboard and complete your form.
- If you are paying in person, we will take payment at the t-shirt pick-up table.
- If your information is complete and you have no meds: *Campers and Parents* will meet at 6:00 in the Worship Center.
- Our Health Care Provider for camp, Laura Hawkins, R.N., will be on hand to **take medications at 5:30 pm** ***Please read the enclosed sheet if you are sending medicine to camp***
- All campers will get to meet their counselors and other campers in their group. Signs will be posted with camper's name, group, and counselor.
- We will provide any and all last-minute instructions for parents.

Getting to Camp- Thursday, May 28 - Check-In begins at 1:00pm

Dan Dipert buses will be on South Street between the Church and The Levitt.

Park in the Wade parking lot and enter the Church from Center Street.

Stop at the registration table **FIRST** where your child will pick up their nametag.

We will begin loading at 1:30 pm, and buses will depart at 2:30 pm.

Please give your child a big hug and say good-bye before they get on the bus. No one will be allowed off the bus once checked in. **PARENTS ARE ASKED NOT TO BOARD BUSES**.

At Camp

Because we have so many children enjoying camp and their day is filled with activities, children are not allowed to use telephones to call home. In the event of an emergency, you may reach us at Riverbend Retreat Center, 254-897-4011. (ask to speak to Brad Echols with First Baptist, Arlington). You can send e-mails to your child(ren) Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Please make sure you put first and last names and choose **May 28-June 1 Connect Children's Camp**. Go to www.riverbend.camp/camper-email. We will post photos on our facebook page at www.facebook.com/fbcachildren.

If you need to come to camp for any reason or pick up your child during camp, please let us know by Tuesday, May 26, so I can fill out the necessary paperwork. The person on duty at the camp office will have your name on a list.

Riverbend is always working on remodeling and beautifying the camp. Even with careful cleanup, there can be nails and other sharp objects on the ground. **Shoes must be worn at all times during camp, even to and from the pool and waterfront**.

Counselors

We strive to provide a safe environment for your child at camp. All of our counselors and staff are required to complete a background check and training before working with children.

Money

Meals are provided. Children will have an opportunity to visit the "Canteen" every morning. They can get snacks and sodas. As a guide, we suggest parents to send no more than $10-20 for snacks. Children are responsible to carry and protect their own money.

There is a gift shop for souvenirs. You can see some of the items available at the Riverbend Retreat Center website, riverbendrc.square.site. If you know you are purchasing shirts or hats or other higher priced items, you may also shop on their website and pay by credit card.

We will take an offering each night during camp. Children will be chosen to serve as ushers during the worship service. The offering money collected will be used for Audio Bibles for our Cross Cultural Workers to spread the Gospel.

Coming Home

After our camp wrap-up on Monday, we will board the buses for home. We will leave Riverbend around 10:00 am. and arrive back at **First Baptist** between 11:30am - 11:45 am. The buses will unload in the same area we loaded. They will park on South Street between the church and The Levitt Pavilion stage.

If you need any additional information, please contact us. Like us on Facebook or follow us on instagram for photos and last minute information. FB - The Children's Ministry at First Baptist Arlington or instagram at fbcachildren

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INFORMATION FOR CAMPERS

Are you ready? We're going to have a fantastic time at Camp this year! This information sheet is for you to help pack your suitcase and get ready for the activities that are planned for you!

- Each day will be filled with fun things to do. You will have a time each day to participate in activities such as: Gaga ball, crafts, archery, sports, fishing, drama, choir/sign language, wading in rock creek, sliding on the super water slide, jumping off the blob, the water trapeze and dropping off the water zip-line and the rec point.

- We will have a time each day for Bible Study and worship. Dr. Dennis Wiles will be our camp Pastor and FBCA Worship Staff will lead our worship music.

- In keeping with tradition, we will have special themes each day:

  Friday – School Spirit Day
  Saturday – Camo or Tie-Dye Day
  Sunday - Favorite T-Shirt Day

- Dress casually for camp. Be sure your name is on *EVERYTHING* you bring. ***Write your name on clothes, shoes, socks, and towels with a permanent marker.***

- Be sure to bring socks and **tennis shoes** to camp. You will do a lot of walking, playing sports and team activities. An additional pair of old tennis shoes is necessary if they choose to go to Rock Creek because they will get wet.

- **You should pack:**

Bible	Swimsuit cover or shirt (boys and girls)
Bedroll (sleeping bag & pillow)	Towel, washcloth & soap
Toothbrush & toothpaste	Light-weight jacket
Tennis shoes (2 pair is great)	Ball glove
Dirty clothes bag	Insect Repellant
Appropriate Swimsuit (1 piece or tankini)	SUNSCREEN

- Please **do not bring** a cell phone, IPad, TV, knife, trading cards, shaving cream or any types of guns (water, air-soft etc...).

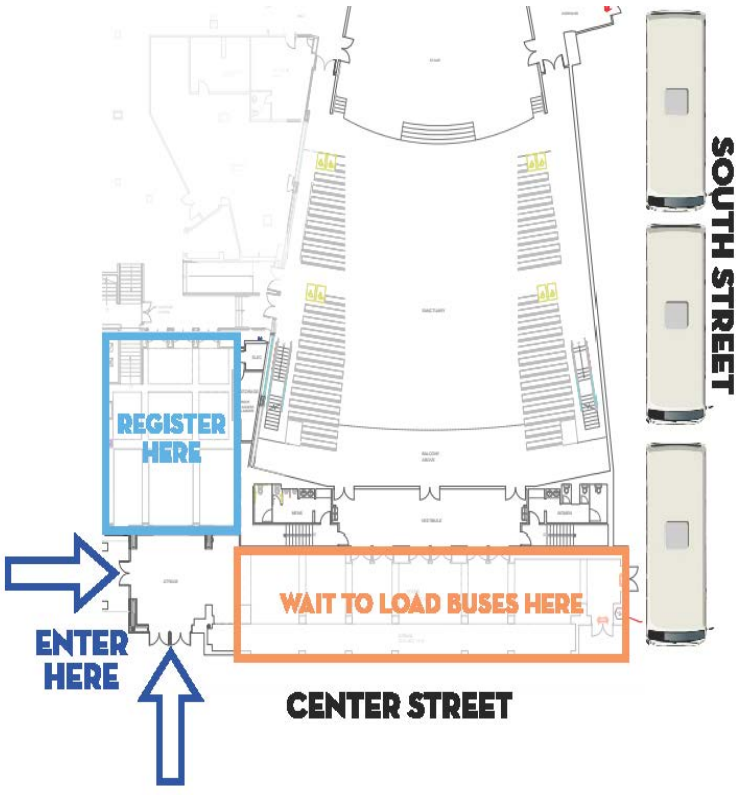
- You will have a chance to show off your talent in our Talent Show on Sunday night. Register on the website - fbca.org/connectcamp
  If you are planning on using music in your talent act, please add the name of the song and the artist on the talent show registration. All music has to be approved.

- One afternoon at crafts we will have an opportunity to "Sharpie tie-dye" T-shirts or pillowcases. If you would like to tie-dye, you will need to bring your **own** shirt, pillowcase or any other item from home.

- Make sure your parents read the enclosed information!!

SEE YOU TUESDAY NIGHT, May 26!!

Drop-off and pick-up location.



Wade Building parking

BUS INFORMATION

THURSDAY, May 28

Dan Dipert buses will be located *on South Street*. Park in the Wade building parking lot. Enter the church (300 S. Center) from Center Street. Pick up your name tag, and drop off any medication if necessary.

We will begin loading luggage and campers at 1:30 pm, and buses will depart at 2:30 pm.

If you have questions, call us at 817-276-6432.

MEDICATIONS

If your child will need medication during camp, please follow these guidelines:

- Bring medications to the meeting on Tuesday night beginning at 5:30 pm. Come to the Health Care Provider table and fill out a medication form. The Camp Health Care Provider (Laura Hawkins, R.N.) will be on-hand to take the prescription and confirm the instructions.

- Do not send the entire prescription – only the dose to be given at camp, plus one extra.

  Prescription medications **must be in their labeled pharmacy container**. This includes inhalers.

  *Do not put medications in a baggie or pill dispenser.

  *Samples are not acceptable without a note from the doctor that includes the child's name, medication name, and dosage instructions.

- Over-the-counter medications must be in their original container. Send only what might be needed for camp. Legally, the Health Officer can only give over-the-counter medication according to label directions. ***Please check over over-the-counter labels to make sure directions are included for **your child's age**. ***If your child takes an adult medication, or a dosage outside the label directions, you must provide a note from the doctor that includes child's name, medication name, and dosage instructions.

- If your child has an inhaler, or has ever used an inhaler, they may keep one with them and an extra one with the nurse. Inhalers must have the prescription label attached or you must provide the box. Make sure their name is written on it with a permanent marker.

- Allergies seem to flare up when enjoying the outdoors at Riverbend. If your child is one that only takes allergy medication occasionally, it's a good idea to go ahead and start it before camp, and continue it through camp.

- If you have a nebulizer and would like to send it, please bring it Tuesday night with the appropriate medications.