

# **CAMP FAQ - students/parents**

## **Where is the camp?**

Redwood Christian Park is located in Boulder Creek, CA outside of the Santa Cruz area.

## **What do I pack? How much can I bring?**

See separate packing list. Your youth pastor will have final say on how much you can bring.

## **Can I bring my phone?**

This is first and foremost up to your parent/guardian/youth pastor. Phones should be used on a limited basis and we really encourage you to disconnect. Phones may not be out/used during TAWG, night rallies, or other scheduled camp activities. Due to location, cell reception is limited.

## **I have special medications I take, what do I need to do with them?**

If you feel your student is responsible enough to take their medications at designated times, then we trust the student to self-administer medication. If your student needs reminders, please talk with your youth pastor and they will need to help remind your student. If your student has an epi-pen or inhaler, this must be on them at all times. If they will struggle with that responsibility, please talk with your youth pastor to help coordinate with their counselor.

## **How many people are in a cabin? Will they all be from my church?**

There will be 6-9 people per cabin, including the counselor.

We work hard to ensure that one of your two bunk mate requests made at registration are included in your cabin. The cabins are sometimes mixed with 1-2 churches included.

## **Are there bathrooms and showers in our cabin?**

Each cabin has a toilet, shower, and sink. You will be sharing with your whole cabin so we advise having a shower caddy or something similar to take your items in and out of the shower.

## **I've heard there are teams at camp? What do we do in our teams?**

One girl cabin and one boy cabin are paired together to create your team for the week. These teams will work together throughout camp in various competitions. There are lots of opportunities to win points for your team and the winner at the end of the week gets epic bragging rights!

## **Is there a day-to-day schedule of events?**

Everyone will receive the daily schedule when we arrive at camp. Each day will include meals, cabin clean up, morning seminars, time alone with God (TAWG), team time, free time, and night rallies.

**What is cabin cleanup?**

Each day at camp students are required to clean their cabin. It is also an opportunity to earn points for your team. There are themes each day for you to decorate your cabin with.

**What are night rallies?**

Night rallies are the main meeting time for the whole camp. We will have worship, a message, and reflection time. Night rallies sometimes also contain team competitions.

**I have special dietary needs, will those be accommodated?**

The camp is very accommodating and offers lots of food options for each meal. There was an option on the registration form to list any dietary needs. If you did not list them there, or if you are concerned about them, please contact your youth pastor right away. The camp will be able to accommodate most but they will need to know ahead of time to expect it.

**Do I need to bring cash with me?**

There is a snack bar available at the camp if you want to bring money for any treats.

**Can I bring snacks with me?**

Yes, if you have room in your packing and it's ok with your youth pastor, you may bring snacks with you.. **To protect our campers with severe allergies, absolutely no nut products of any type are allowed.**

**Is there an opportunity to be baptised at camp?**

Yes! On the last night of camp we offer a time for baptisms. In order to be baptized you will need to call your parents and make them aware of your decision and also attend the baptism class offered during free time on Wednesday.

# Packing List - campers

## Clothing

Daily Outfits

White Shirt for Color War (will possibly be stained & is unwearable for the rest of the week)

Underwear

Athletic Clothing for Games

Closed Toe Shoes for Games

Warm Clothes for Evenings

Sweatshirt/Sweatpants

Hat

Swimsuit

Sandals

## Bedding / Bath

Sleeping Bag

Pillow

Bath Towel

Swim Towel

## Toiletries

Toothbrush/Toothpaste

Shampoo/Conditioner

Body Wash/Soap

Deodorant

Hair Brush/Accessories

Sunscreen

Menstrual Products (if applicable)

## Other

Bible (if you do not have one, let your Youth Pastor know!)

Notebook or Journal + Pen

Bug Spray

Flashlight

Refillable Water Bottle

## Cabin Clean Up

This is optional, however, some students elect to some creative materials/craft supplies to decorate their cabin for cabin clean up themes. The camp will provide basic craft supplies for each team.

# CAMP FAQ - counselors

## **What do I pack? How much can I bring?**

See separate packing list. Your youth pastor will have final say on how much you can bring. There are some special recommendations for counselors to bring like a surge protector and some basic cabin clean up supplies.

## **Are students allowed to bring their phones/what do I do if students brought their phones?**

Some students want to stay in contact with their parents or use it to fall asleep/set alarms but we have told students to not be on their phones during rallies and TAWG time or cabin time. Please use discretion on if students are on their phones during inappropriate times and encourage them to put them away/limit their use.

## **Am I allowed to give my campers medication?**

No. If a camper needs any medication—including over-the-counter options like ibuprofen, Advil, or stomach medicine—our on-site EMT is solely responsible for administering it.

Campers are permitted to bring their own medication from home, but they must never share it with others.

## **I've heard there are teams at camp? What is my role in the team?**

As a counselor, you are responsible for keeping the peace among your own team as well as with other teams during competitions. Students will compete in creative competitions as well as physical ones so it is important to encourage good sportsmanship. Please remember that you are the counselor and you should guide the campers and not take over. Students who are natural leaders will always pop up during competitions!

## **What is cabin cleanup? What is my role for cabin cleanup?**

Each day at camp students are required to clean their cabin. It is also an opportunity to earn points for your team. There are themes each day for you to decorate your cabin with. This is the one activity that students do *without* leaders. They will be cleaning/decorating their cabins during the daily counselor meetings after breakfast. Because of this, please make sure your bed/area is as clean as possible *before* leaving your cabin in the morning. We suggest brainstorming the decor the night before so students are prepared for the morning.

## **What are night rallies?**

Night rallies are the main meeting time for the whole camp. We will have worship, a message, and reflection time. Night rallies sometimes also contain team competitions. The big picture for these rallies will be discussed during the morning counselor meeting and any extra help (with sermon illustrations, altar calls, prayer, communion, etc.) will be talked about then.

# Packing List - counselors

As counselors, your packing list is about the same as the student one, but here are some additional recommendations :)

## Toiletries

Sunscreen

Aloe Vera

Febreze or Room Spray of some kind

Power strip