



Asbury Hills

Camper Information Kit

Are you ready to make your mark? Are you open? Are you ready for what's next? At Asbury Hills we are all about friends, fun, and faith to help you discover how to use the unique mark that God has given you. This is a place where you will experience God live never before. You will encounter some kickin' worship, interactive teaching, opportunities to serve, and of course a ridiculous amount of fun! Get ready to make your mark for God, because that is what it is all about! You will have opportunities to explore your faith and even make life changing decisions. This is a week that can leave a mark...FOREVER! Don't miss out on this opportunity in your faith journey to do something amazing. Are you ready? Will you be here? We'll be waiting...

Our Summer Camping program is a program of the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church. We welcome campers from across the southeast and without regard to church affiliation. Our programs are accredited by the American Camp Association, the standard for the camping industry. www.acacamps.org for more information on ACA Accreditation.

Please take a few minutes to review the information that follows. It provides answers to common questions and offers helpful information to ensure that campers are prepared to experience Christian birth, growth, and renewal.

FORMS

In order to enable registration day to run smoothly for everyone involved we ask you to have the following forms **returned to camp at least 14 days prior** to your camp session start date. These forms are required for your camper to attend camp. All forms can be found online on the website and in your online account. Be sure to keep a copy of each completed form for your files. Please bring your copies to registration as a back up. The forms are as follows:

- Health Form**
- Front & Back Copy of Insurance Card**

These can be sent directly to Asbury Hills via:

Mail: 150 Asbury Drive, Attn: Health Forms, Cleveland, SC 29635

Fax: Attn: Health Officer, 864.836.5522

Email: office@asburyhills.org

www.asburyhills.org

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Packing List

WHAT TO BRING...

- Prescription Medications
(pack separately to give to nurse at registration)
- 5 Clothing Outfits
(include underwear & socks)
- One Pair of Long Pants
- Jacket/Sweatshirt
- Pajamas
- 2 Pairs of Shoes: tennis shoes, water shoes (No Crocs)
- Swim Suit (girls: one piece, boys: swim trunks)
- Rain Gear
- Backpack (no string strap bags)
- Pillow & Sleeping Bag
- Towel (Bath & Beach)
- Bible & Pen or Pencil
- Soap, Shampoo, Toothpaste, Toothbrush
- Deodorant
- Water bottle
- Flashlight w/extra batteries
- Sunscreen
- Insect Repellent
- Plastic Bag for wet items
- Camera/Film

DO NOT BRING...

- Cell Phones
- Portable Music Players
- Computer Games
- Two Way Radio's
- Snacks
- Pets
- Firearms or any weapon
- Fireworks
- Knives
- Alcohol
- Non Prescription Drugs
- Tobacco Products

Please label all clothing with the first and last name of each camper. All clothing should also be able to get dirty and messy. We highly discourage bringing any new clothing items to camp. Socks should be above the ankle to prevent blisters, and we recommend two pairs of closed toed shoes, a pair of tennis shoes for regular wear and a pair of shoes for water activities. Please do not bring Crocs.

CAMP STORE

Stock includes disposable cameras, postage stamps, post cards and note cards, T-shirts, hats, jewelry, bandanas, water bottles, etc. Items range in price from \$.50 to \$25.00. The camp fee does not include store money. We suggest an amount of \$20 with a maximum of \$50. Refunds will not be given for unused funds, rather we will be using the left over money to purchase new recreation equipment for next year. The camp store will available on Friday after dismissal for further purchases.

General Information...

REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT

(for paper registrations only)

Payments may be made by check or Visa/MasterCard/Discover and campers must be paid in full two weeks prior to the camp session. Please mail your payments to:

REGISTRAR

South Carolina UM Camps & Retreats
345 Prado Way
Greenville, SC 29607

CANCELLATION POLICY

To cancel a registration, call our registrar at 877.255.7559
The following guidelines apply to refunds:

In all cases, an attempt is made to reschedule the camper into another event.

For cancellation up to 30 days before camp, refund will be the deposit amount less \$50.

There will be no refund for cancellation within 30 days of the camp event.

The Camp Director reserves the right to dismiss any camper whose conduct becomes in any way detrimental to the best interests of other campers. No refunds will be given in these cases.

Asbury Hills camp events are open to all persons. No one is denied admission or benefits of our programs because of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap, age, or religion. The degree to which camp programs are accessible to persons with disabilities varies by program. If you have questions, please call the Camp Director at 864.836.3711.

HEALTH & SAFETY

For the safety of each camper, the camp must have a current health form on file two weeks before the camp start date. The Health Officer will review all forms and will be available to see campers & parents at check-in. Please make sure all prescription medications are labeled and in their original containers. Over the counter medications will be available for campers through our Camp Nurse.

Asbury Hills provides limited accident coverage for each camper from arrival to departure. Camper insurance does not cover camper illness while at camp. Parents are notified if the camper requires medical care off-site.

...the week of camp!

ARRIVAL

Check-in will begin with our welcoming you in your vehicle. In an effort to keep all cars lined up inside Asbury Hills, please plan to stagger arrival times as follows by last names:

Express, Sun.-Fri. Camps, Mon.-Sat. Camps		Family Camps	
A-F	2:45pm	A-F	6:45pm
G-M	3:00pm	G-M	7:00pm
N-S	3:15pm	N-S	7:15pm
T-Z	3:30pm	T-Z	7:30pm

Campers whose forms, payment or registration is incomplete in some way will be detained in line to complete their registration process. Please plan to have all forms in and balances paid two weeks prior to your camper's arrival. This will allow for the fastest possible registration. As soon as the registration process is complete, camper may begin moving into their cabins. Campers who arrive later than 4:00 (7:45 for family camps) delay the beginning of camp for all others in their group. In case of a delay in arrival or last minute cancellation, please notify Asbury Hills by phone. A telephone call will be made to any camper who has not arrived or telephoned by 5:00pm (8:00pm for family camps) on opening day. We cannot accommodate early check-in for camp. Campers aged 18 and younger who drive to camp must store their vehicle keys with the camp office during their stay.

DEPARTURE

Camp ends after lunch on closing day for weekday camps. Parents are encouraged to join us in the closing ceremony. A parent meeting will begin on the front porch of the dining hall at 1:00pm. Please plan to pick up your campers luggage prior to this time. Following the parents' meeting, we will make our way up to rec shelter for a taste of what your campers have experienced all week. The closing ceremony will be complete by 1:30pm. Campers must be picked up by 1:45pm. We do not have extra staff to attend to campers whose departure is delayed. There may be an additional charge for late departures. **Those picking up campers will also be required to present photo identification at the time of pick up.** The identification must match the name on the registration form listed for pick up authorization. Please do not request early, late or midweek departures. Shortened stays at camp disrupt not only the experience of the departing camper, but the experiences of all campers in his/her group.

If your camper cannot attend the entire session for which he/she is registered, please transfer to another session or cancel the week of camp.

Our weekend camps will end at 11:00am on their last day.

MAIL

Mail is very important to your camper. Write soon, often and cheerfully. We will encourage your camper to write at least once. It is helpful if you send addressed, stamped envelopes with notepaper or postcards with your campers. We discourage the sending of care packages. If you or other relatives send care packages, **PLEASE DO NOT SEND FOOD TO YOUR CAMPER.** We rely on the postal service to receive letters for your camper, and are located outside of urban areas. For that reason, we cannot guarantee timely delivery of your mail, however we will do our best to see that your camper receives mail as it arrives on site. Send postal mail to the following address:

Your Camper's FULL NAME
Your Camper's CABIN NAME
c/o Asbury Hills Camp and Retreat Center
150 Asbury Drive
Cleveland, SC 29635-9748

Fax: Please DO NOT fax camper messages. Faxed messages will not be delivered.

EMAIL/PICTURES

Camper emails may be sent by a service available online through the information given to you on the day of registration. Emails will be delivered daily at lunch time. Since campers do not have email access, they can not send outgoing email. Through this service you will also be able to view pictures of your camper through the week.

VISITING/TELEPHONE

To help your camper build self esteem and independence by having a week away from parents, we discourage visits during the week your child is attending camp. We can make arrangements for you to tour camp prior to the summer. Just call to arrange a visit or visit on our Open House on May 9, 2010. If you have any questions about your camper or the camp experience while your child is at camp, please feel free to call Asbury Hills. Your child is not accessible by phone unless it is an emergency. Please do not promise your camper that he/she can call home as campers do not have access to the telephone.

If you have additional questions not covered in this kit please do not hesitate to contact us.

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