

HEARTLAND CAMPING MINISTRIES PROGRAM STATEMENT

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Fall Retreat: (Ages: 13-21) Director:
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Please read the following before completing the camper application. Parents, if the camper is younger than 18 years, please review this statement with him or her.

STATEMENT OF EQUITY: All applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis with no regard to race, color, creed, sex, or nationality.

PARTICIPATION: We are interested in the moral, social, physical, and spiritual growth of each camper. Each camper will be expected to participate in the full camping program and all activities unless the parent or guardian indicates otherwise on the application.

REGULATIONS: For the safety of all campers and staff, the following items will not be allowed: fireworks, drugs, guns, knives, laser pointers, or weapons of any kind. The camp reserves the right to perform an inspection of all belongings. No use of drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or profanity will be allowed. Campers, please do not bring the following items: valuable jewelry, large amounts of money; computer; video games; CD's, radio, MP3 players, iPods, Kindles (or any other such device).

ITEMS TO BRING: Please bring the following items: flip-flops or other shoes to be worn in the shower; toiletries, towels, and wash-cloths; casual clothes, closed toe shoes, and socks; an umbrella; sheets for a twin bed, a pillow; a quilt, blanket or sleeping bag; shirt and shorts you don't mind getting wet; a flashlight; a Bible, paper, and a pen. Snack shack money.

BEHAVIOR: In the event that a member of the camp staff considers a camper's behavior to be unacceptable, extra duties may be used as corrective disciplinary action. For extreme cases, the camper may be sent home without refunding tuition.

DRESS CODE: The intent of our camp dress code is to provide an equitable dress code for all campers that will encourage modesty above legalism. Parents and church leaders are urged to see that only clothing which meets the policies and regulations of the camp policies are brought to camp.

CAMPERS: Please bring clothing to camp which fully complies with the following regulations:

⇒**Modesty** — Since this is a Christian Camp with a distinctly Christian atmosphere, the New Testament principle of modesty should always be the standard dress at camp. While on our campground, camper may not wear apparel that exposes the midriff, is extremely tight fitting, or has writing on the back of pants or shorts. Apparel may not display or promote alcohol, drug, sexual, or inappropriate language or pictures. It is the responsibility of the local church pastor/youth director/camp sponsor to see that each camper is aware of our camp policy and to reinforce these policies before camp begins. The camp staff is to model the standard of modesty and enforce the camp dress code, taking into consideration that wisdom dictates an appropriate response specific for each situation.

⇒**Dresses and Shorts** — Camp dress is to be casual, neat, and clean. Shorts should be modest in length and not too tight (Approximately, thumb to finger-tip to the knee in length). If wearing leggings, wear a shirt that falls below the hips. Slits in dresses and skirts should also be modest in length. Strapless, spaghetti strap, or off-the-shoulder dresses must include appropriate accessory wear under or over them.

⇒**Shirts and Shoes** — Spaghetti-strapped tops are not allowed at camp. Sleeveless shirts are acceptable, but must go from the neck to the shoulder seam and not be split down the side. Shoes and shirts must be worn at all times outside cabins, except while swimming.

CELL PHONE POLICY: We endeavor to create an atmosphere that minimizes distractions and maximizes a total "camping" experience. We ask that campers turn their phones off, and turn them in at check-in. We guarantee the privacy and security of the phone. The phones will be returned upon check-out from camp. **NOTE:** We want our campers to feel safe and secure. If a camper wishes to call home, our Cabin Leaders are instructed to make sure they have access to their phone to make the call. Calls will be allowed to Parents/Guardians only, except in the case of an emergency. Parents/Guardians are more than welcome to call the camp director's contact phone (during daytime hours) to check on their camper.



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Emergency Phone Numbers

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From Oklahoma City: Go south on I-35 to Hwy 39 (Near Purcell). Travel east on Hwy 39 approximately 16 miles. The campground will be on your left (north side of the road).

From Ada: Go north on Hwy 13/3W approximately 20 miles to Asher. Travel west on Hwy 39 for 10 miles. The campground will be on your right (north side of the road).

From I-44 (coming from the east or west): Take the Welston exit and go south on Hwy 177. Watch for the slight left, staying on Hwy 177/3W near Tecumseh. Travel approximately 54 miles to Asher. Travel west on Hwy 39 for 10 miles. The campground will be on your right (north side of the road).

From I-40 (coming from the east or west): Go south toward Shawnee on Hwy 177 approximately 29 miles to Asher. Travel west on Hwy 39 for 10 miles. The campground will be on your right (North side of the road).

REGISTRATION AND PICK-UP INFORMATION

Registration begins at 6:00 P.M. on Friday Evening

Pick-Up Campers at 12:00 P.M. on Sunday (ID may be required.)

Arrangements for early drop-off, early pick-up, or late pick-up must be made in advance by calling the Retreat Director.

Everyone must go through Registration **BEFORE** entering the cabin areas.

VISITATION/COMMUNICATION POLICY

For the safety of all of our campers, **all camp visits must be approved in advance by contacting the retreat director by phone.** No visitors (including parents) are allowed in the cabins without a dean present except during check-in and check-out. All visitors must check in with the camp directors upon arrival.

We want all campers to feel safe and secure. Cell phones are not allowed for campers; however, If a camper wishes to call home, our cabin leaders are instructed to make sure he or she has access to a phone to make the call. **Calls will be allowed to parents/guardians only**, except in the case of an emergency. If you do need to speak to your camper, we do allow phone calls **during daytime hours**. Contact the retreat director to speak to your camper. If there is a problem or an emergency, we will always contact you immediately.