

Middle School Camp 2024

Hillmont Christian Camp 975 Hillmont Camp Road White Bluff, TN 37187

Middle School Camp | June 19-22, 2024

Drop off: June 19th @ 6:30pm @ Hillmont Christian Camp

Pick up: June 22nd @ 1pm @ Hillmont Christian Camp

CHECK-IN AND TRANSPORTATION

Students are to be dropped off at Hillmont Christian Camp on Wednesday, June 19th at 6:30PM. Dinner will not be provided, so please make sure your student eats before they come. We will have snacks Wednesday evening, but not a full meal. Students will be picked up from Hillmont on Saturday, June 22nd at 1pm.

COST

- \$335. Covers-Lodging, food, camp activities and t-shirt.
- We offer a \$35 per student discount for families with multiple students attending our camps (middle school or high school). If you would like to receive the sibling discount or have questions about whether or not this applies to your family, email relevant@graceclarksville.com and let us know. This discount cannot be used in addition to other discounts.

CONTACT

We will be asking students to turn off their phones and keep them in their bags for the entirety of the time we are at camp. In the event of an emergency, or if you need to be in touch with someone, Drew Peyton and Sarah Gastelum will be available.

Drew Peyton: (336)-215-1051

DPeyton@graceclarksville.com

Sarah Gastelum: (619)-665-1236

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PACKING LIST

- Bible (physical copy, not on your phone)
- Pen
- Notebook/journal
- Sleeping bag or bed linens
- Towels- one for showering and one for the pool
- Pillow
- Toiletries
- Sunscreen
- Insect Repellant
- Reusable Water Bottle
- Watch
- Sunglasses and/or hat
- Clothes for morning and night
- Clothes for running around in/getting dirty
- Clothes for hanging out and going to Gatherings
- Clothes in your team's color (we will let you know in advance what your student's team color is)
- Clothes to dress up for late nights (we will let you know in advance what the dress up themes are)
- Sweatshirt or jacket (waterproof in case of rain)
- Swimsuit (modest- suitable for water activities such as slip n slide and pool games)
- Tennis shoes
- Shower shoes
- Optional: money for vending machines at camp

* * * Snacks: you may bring snacks; however, we are unable to keep them in bunkhouses. We will be collecting all snacks at check-in and storing them in large containers in the Worship Center. We also provide snacks for students during our late-night activities. (See the Questions section for more details).

What NOT to bring:

- Electronics
- Things that can be easily broken or hard to replace

We also will be asking that all cellphones be turned off and put away for the entirety of the time we are at camp. Students may take phones out in case of an emergency, but service is limited.

Questions

Why do we do summer camp?

Summer camp is a place where students put down their phones, break away from their everyday routines, and experience God's love for them. The high-energy games, music, teaching, and small group discussion times are intentionally designed to meet students where they are at while simultaneously inviting them to take steps into a deeper relationship with Jesus.

How will my student get to camp?

We are asking parents to drop off and pick up their student at Hillmont Camp (975 Hillmont Camp Road, White Bluff, TN 37187). Drop off will be at 6:30pm on Wednesday, June 19th. We will check your student in, collect any medications and/or snacks they may have, and show you where to drop off their stuff. Pickup will also be at Hillmont at 1:00pm on Saturday, June 22nd. You are more than welcome to carpool with friends and/or drop siblings off together.

Who will my student be spending the week with?

We have rented out the camp so that only our group will be in attendance. Your students will be with peers as well as adult leaders who have all been background checked and vetted prior to camp. We are running our high school camp at the same time and location as middle school camp. However, our middle school and high school students will be operating on a staggered schedule. The only time the high school camp schedule will overlap with the middle school camp schedule is meal times, during which each camp will sit in a different section of the cafeteria.

Who will my student be bunking with?

Students will be in large bunkhouses with other students and leaders of the same gender. There will be multiple leaders in their bunkhouses, all of whom have been background checked. Middle school students will be in completely separate bunkhouses from high school students. What can I do for my student who has dietary restrictions?

Dietary restrictions are no problem! The Hillmont kitchen is equipped to address all major dietary needs. All you need to do is let us know your student's specific dietary needs on their registration form and we will take care of the rest.

Will my student be able to bring their own snacks?

Yes! But in order to keep creatures that belong outside, outside, we will be collecting snacks at check-in and storing them in the Worship Center. They will have access to them through their leaders and can get them whenever they need. We also provide free snacks every night during our late-night activities, and students may bring money for vending machines.

Will I be able to communicate with my student throughout the week?

One of the beauties of camp is the fact that we can step away from normal routines and rhythms and spend quiet, meaningful time in God's creation. Because of this, we will be asking students to turn their phones off and keep them in their bags throughout their time at camp. Additionally, there is limited cell phone service at camp and no wifi use for students. If you have an emergency and need to contact your student, you can do so by contacting Drew or Sarah (see contact info above). They will return your call and help get you in touch with your student as soon as possible.

What if my student has medications they need to take or has a medical emergency?

We have a medical professional who will be on site with us throughout camp to fill the role of camp nurse. Their job is to administer medicine to students who need it and attend to any injuries that may occur. Please note what medicine your student takes on their registration form, and we will collect your student's medication at check-in. At check-in parents will be able to speak with our nurse and go over any special medical instructions.