

South Dakota Assemblies of God Summer Camps

Camp Information and Policies for 2016

Online Registration:

We encourage utilization of our online camper registration system. This system assists our office in getting correct information about campers more efficiently. You can register online at www.sdsummercamp.com.

Pre-Order Information:

It is essential that full payment is made at the time of application for any camp pre-order product (i.e. shirts, memories video download, etc.). If a camper has questions regarding what was pre-ordered, we will work diligently to resolve the issue quickly. Campers are encouraged not to wait if they have questions about their account.

Accepted Payment Methods:

Depending on your churches preference, you may be able to pay with a personal check. If you have registered online you will have the option of paying your camper's fees in advance using any major credit card, check card, or PayPal account. This convenient service is provided through PayPal, however, a PayPal account is **not** required to utilize this service.

Joining our Services Remotely:

If the camp internet service enables, parents and family are given access to watch our evening services online. A link (**Camp Tube**) is provided on the main page of the website that will become active during camp services. There is no additional charge for this service.

E-mail your Camper:

A link will be provided at www.sdsummercamp.com to send an email message to your camper. These messages will be printed and delivered during mail call. **Please limit emails to two per week and to immediate family only.**

Lodging:

Campers must supply their own bedding. Roommates (in most cases) will be determined by your local camp coordinator. Please utilize the space provided to express your wishes. While every attempt is made to grant requests, we cannot guarantee every request. Thank you for your understanding.

Opening and Closing of Camp:

Camp begins Monday afternoon and closes before noon on Friday. Campers will not be allowed access to the campgrounds until their church group arrives. For the best check in experience, please have your campers arrive with their entire church group.

Lost & Found:

Please clearly mark your camper's belongings. It is the camper's responsibility to check the office for lost items. A fee will be charged if you request shipment of lost and found articles. Lost and found items are kept through July and then are discarded or donated to charity.

Calls Home:

Phone calls in/out, other than emergencies, are not permitted during the week of camp.

Dress Policy:

All campers are expected to dress and groom themselves neatly and modestly. Inappropriate clothing (such as those with alcohol, tobacco, and sexual slogans) is not permitted.

Shoes: Athletic shoes should be worn during activities.

Shirts: Should allow for full arm and normal body motion without revealing bellies, backs, or undergarments.

Sleeveless shirts, tank tops, and low cut V-necks are not allowed.

Swimwear: Guys - Board style (no spandex) Girls - One piece or two piece (with appropriate shirt to cover). All campers should wear shirts to/from the swimming area.

Shorts/Skirts/Pants: When standing should fall no higher than two inches above the knee. Mini skirts, skin tight or form fitting pants should not be worn.

Services: Casual clothing is accepted during evening chapel services. Please keep in mind the temperature can drop below 60 degrees at night.

What to Bring:

Bedding, pillow, pajamas, recreational clothing, jeans/modest shorts, current medications, swimwear, spending money, Bible, socks & undergarments, personal toiletries, raincoat or umbrella, sweatshirt, bug spray, towel, sturdy shoes for rough terrain, notebook & pencil, plastic bag for dirty clothing, sun screen.

What not to Bring:

As a part of Kamp Kinship policy, electronic devices are prohibited. This applies for campers, cabin leaders, and staff. Electronic equipment includes cell phones, iPods, video game equipment, computers, radios, etc. Water balloons & water guns, fireworks, firearms, tobacco, weapons, alcohol, drugs, pets, and food are not allowed on the campgrounds.

Medications:

All medications brought to camp should be clearly labeled to include: 1) camper's name; 2) name of prescribing physician; 3) prescription number; 4) date prescribed; 5) name of medication; 6) directions for use. All medications are to be turned in to the first aid provider upon arrival.

Head Lice/Nits:

No camper will be admitted to camp if they are known to have head lice or nits (eggs). If lice or nits are found at camp, the camper must be treated at the parent's expense or return home. Please check your camper thoroughly prior to camp. It is the responsibility of the camper's parent/guardian to make arrangements for the camper to return home if lice or nits are identified while at camp. More information about diagnosis and treatment is available at <http://www.cdc.gov/parasites/lice/head/>

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Camp Photo:

During camp we will be taking a camp photo. This 8x10 photo will be available for pre-purchase or sign-up at camp. In order to preserve the quality of your print they will be available for pickup on Friday prior to dismissal.

Camp Videos:

Highlight videos are available for purchase each summer. Downloadable videos contain footage and photos from all of our camps. Access codes will be emailed following camp. Please provide a valid, legible email address.

Rules & Regulations:

We should strive at all times to conduct ourselves with proper consideration of others. Unless specifically noted as "optional," attendance at all scheduled activities is required. Room and grounds are to be kept clean and tidy. Campers are responsible to pay for damage to their room and dorm. If the offender is not found, the cabin members will be charged equally. Campers are not to enter any cabin other than their own. Campers must be in bed and quiet by "lights out."

Vehicles and Transportation:

No camper or staff shall leave the grounds or go out of bounds without proper permission from a member of the Camp Leadership Team. All vehicles should be parked in the designated parking areas for the duration of camp. All campers should plan to arrive with their church group.

Transportation Costs:

Should a camper need special transportation (other than a trip to the hospital provided by a camp staff vehicle), all costs must be paid by the parent or responsible party.

Disciplinary Action:

The lack of cooperation, unnecessary roughness, lack of respect for property or authority, leaving dorms/rooms at night after lights out, going outside the camp boundaries unsupervised, or an unwholesome attitude on the part of any camper will result in discipline and/or expulsion from the camp. Parents are asked to help in explaining camp rules to their campers and encouraging compliance. The expenses of transporting expelled campers home are paid by the parent.

Insurance:

The Camp Insurance is secondary coverage with a maximum benefit of \$10,000.00 per incident. **All claims made will need to be filed with the individual's insurance provider first.** Camp insurance is supplemental and covers expenses the individual's insurance does not cover. Camp insurance only covers accidents that happen while the individual is at camp. The family will bear the full responsibility for charges related to causes other than accidents, or charges not covered by, or beyond the \$10,000.00 maximum of the camp insurance. Should the family be interested in insurance additional to what is provided for your camper, please contact your local insurance agent.

Spending Money:

The snack shop is open during free time for the purchase of food, beverages, and souvenirs. A missions offering for BGMC or Speed The Light is also received during the week.

Camp Store:

Kamp Kinship runs a camp store with snack shop items and other product. Campers should bring cash if they wish to make a purchase during the week.

Cancellation Policy when Registered/Paid Online:

Campers registered **and** paid online prior to May 15th can receive a full refund of all registration fees provided the cancellation is submitted in written form before May 15th. This cancellation must be communicated to your local church **AND** the sdlyce office. No refunds are made for cancellations after May 15th.

Cancellation Policy when Registered/Paid Standard:

Campers registered via the standard process (paper application only), and/or paying with check qualify for a refund of the camp tuition amount and pre-orders only. Pre-registration fees are not refunded. Cancellations must be made in writing and communicated to the local church **AND** the sdlyce office. No refunds are made for cancellations after May 15th.

Cancellation Process:

Your cancellation will be processed when a written notification is received. Postmark or email time stamp will be used to determine the date of the cancellation request. **Verbal cancellations will not be processed.** Online payments are typically refunded within 48 hours. Other payments will be issued following the camp season (typically in early July).

Mail Call:

Each day we deliver mail to the campers. Feel free to send your camp mail to the following address:

(campers name; camp name)
SDAG Summer Camp
12145 Paha Sapa Road
Deadwood, SD 57732

Visits/Emergencies:

Our camps are closed to individuals not registered as a camper or staff. This includes parents and family members. This is for: a) the safety and protection of all campers at our facility and b) so that each camper may experience the most at camp without having to entertain or be concerned about family or friends. If you would like to spend time with your camper during camp, we recommend applying to help as a member of our camp staff and spending the entire week. In the event of homesickness, a phone call may be used as a last resort. Anyone showing up unannounced will be approached by camp leadership and asked to leave. **In the event of an emergency, please call (605) 578-9965.**