New Covenant Bible Church Overnight Camp 2024 Volunteer FAQ

Dates

Mandatory Camp Volunteer Training: Sunday, June 30 | 12:00 PM

Session 1: Sunday, July 7- Wednesday, July 10

Session 2: Wednesday, July 10- Saturday, July 13

Location

East Iowa Bible Camp, 1433 F52 Trail, Deep River, IA 52222

Everyone is responsible for their own transportation to and from Camp.

Cost

Volunteers do not pay to come to Camp. We will gladly accept donations to help offset the cost of Camp.

Who serves at Camp?

Camp staff is made up of New Covenant Bible Church Children's Ministry staff along with volunteers from our church body. Camp staff are adults and high school students* who have completed an application, reference, and background check process.

*Camp volunteers must have completed 8th grade. There will be a limited number of spots for 6th and 7th-grade students **whose parents are also serving at Camp**. They will serve on the Facilities Team.

How do I sign up to volunteer?

Visit the NCBC website to register to volunteer for Camp: ncbc.church/camp

Volunteer spots are limited and not guaranteed based on sign-up. Each volunteer application will be considered by the Camp Leadership Team. Volunteer roles will be assigned in late May once we have a better idea of how many campers we will have.

Can I serve both sessions?

Because of the great interest in serving at Camp, most volunteers serve at only one session of Camp.

Do all volunteers stay for the entire session?

Yes! We ask all volunteers to stay throughout the duration of the Camp. There are jobs in each role throughout each day from 7:00 AM until 10:00 PM or later. :) Our volunteer staff will arrive approximately 2 hours before the campers on Day 1 of your session. You may go home once clean-up is finished on the last day of Camp, which is usually about 1 hour after campers leave.

Where do I sleep?

Counseling staff sleep in the cabins with their campers. Each cabin has 10 beds. There will be 8 campers and 2 counselors. The girl cabins have their own bathrooms in the room. The boy cabins must use the bathhouse. All cabins are air-conditioned. Support staff stay in a separate building from the campers. There are separate rooms for men and women with 2 bathrooms in each room and lots of bunk beds.

What roles are available for volunteers?

Our greatest need at Camp is for Counselors!!

Senior Counselors are adults who oversee a bunk of 8-10 campers. You will lead your campers through every activity we have at Camp. You will care for their physical needs and become friends with them. But, we don't want you just to build a friendship, but a relationship. Our goal is for you to share your daily need for Jesus' sacrifice and help kids understand how they can have His power in their lives. It is a BLAST and a life-changing experience for everyone.

Junior Counselors are high school students who assist a Senior Counselor and care for a bunk of 8-10 campers. You will also build relationships with the campers that allow you to share your need for Jesus' sacrifice daily in your life and ask kids if they know Jesus and His power in their lives. You also have the benefit of learning from the Senior Counselor and developing a relationship with them.

*We work hard to pair first-time counselors with experienced counselors. This could mean two adults working together to lead a bunk, an experienced adult leading a high school student, or a first-time adult with an experienced high school student. Many great friendships have begun from being co-counselors at Camp!

Support Staff

There are a limited number of spots to fill for each of the following roles:

The Kitchen Team takes care of preparing all the meals and snacks at camp. Adults only.

The Rec Team sets up and facilitates all of the activities. This includes team adventure challenge (TAC), counselor challenge, free time activities, and large group games. You will often be one step ahead of the rest of camp, setting up for the next thing or cleaning up so a new activity can take place.

The Facilities Team is responsible for taking care of all the camp facility and volunteer needs. Water coolers need to be filled. Dining tables need to be cleaned. Shirts need to be washed. Those things make Camp a better place for everyone. This team is filled with students who have completed 6th and 7th grade and whose parent(s) are also serving at Camp.

Certified Lifeguards. Two certified lifeguards are needed for each session of Camp. One lifeguard is located at the swimming pool and one lifeguard is located at the pond area.

What does a typical day at Camp look like?

7:00	Staff Prayer/Campers wake up
8:00	Breakfast
9:00	Chapel
10:15	Team Adventure Challenge
12:00	Lunch
1:00	Counselor Challenge
1:30	Free Time Pool, Pond, Crafts, Games, Snacks
5:00	Dinner
6:00	Chapel
7:30	Large Group Game
8:00	Snack
8:30	Night Activity Talent Shows, Bonfire
9:30	Cabin Devos
10:00	Camper Lights Out
12:00	Staff Lights Out

Questions?

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