

# GIRLS' CAMP REGISTRATION INFORMATION

## COVID-19

Greene County Baptist Girls Camp understands that with COVID-19, camp will have to make some adjustments to keep the campers and staff that attend as safe as possible. As camp gets closer, leadership will be watching mandates that may be in place and will adhere to those as possible. It should be understood that with all practices in place, it is still a possibility for those attending to be exposed to COVID-19. Please keep this in mind as campers and staff register to attend.

## CAMPERS

Any girl in grades 4-7, as of September 1, 2022, is welcome to attend Girls' Camp, Monday - Friday, **July 25<sup>th</sup> – July 29<sup>th</sup>**. We view camp as an evangelistic opportunity.

## REGISTRATION DEADLINE

**Thursday, June 9, 2022 at 3PM** Prior to or on this date all registration forms, medical/permission forms, and total fees should be turned into the **Greene County Baptist Associational Office, 834 W. Battlefield, Springfield, MO 65807**. **Please make sure the forms are complete, including their insurance information. Forms must be signed by the parent/guardian.**

**Online registration: Instead of using the paper forms we are encouraging all campers and staff to register online.**

If the church is paying with one check:

- Promote Girls Camp through your church
- Girls and staff that want to attend register online and let the church office know that they have completed online registration
- The church office fills out the Camp Registration Form
- Sends in the Camp Registration Form with their check

Go to [www.gbaptist.org](http://www.gbaptist.org) and click on the Camps link. On the right side of the screen, click on the Girls Camp link.

For Campers click on the link: [2022 Girls Camp Form - Campers](#)  
(this form includes the Camp Registration & Health Information)

For Staff click on the link: [2022 Girls Camp Form - Staff](#)  
(this form includes the Non-Camper Registration, Health Information, Kids Camper, Daughters-in-Service, and Sons-in-Service forms)  
*Staff will still need to submit a Background Check form if this is their first year at camp or it has been 3 years since their last background check was completed.*

## CAMP FEES

You are encouraged to collect all fees through your church and write one church check for all campers and staff going to girls' camp. ***Please write separate checks to the Greene County Baptist Association for each respective camp: girls, youth, and boys.***

CAMPERS - \$140 until June 9<sup>th</sup> deadline (includes room & board; canteen; T-shirt; and all recreation and craft supplies.) **Camper registration fee will increase to \$160.00 after June 9<sup>th</sup> registration deadline.**

CABIN LEADERS/STAFF/TEEN CABIN LEADERS - \$100 Churches are encouraged to help pay camp fees for individuals serving at camp. These adults are giving a week away from family and other responsibilities to serve at camp. *We encourage churches to view camp as an evangelistic opportunity which could be treated like a local mission's trip.* Cabin Leaders should be 18 or older and teen cabin leaders and all other staff **must** be 15 or older.

CHILDREN OF WORKERS - \$50 Children that are coming with staff/cabin leaders that are too young to be a camper or too young to be considered staff such as: Daughters-in-Service, Sons-in-Service, or Kids' Campers. Due to space, we may need to limit the number of children that come with staff. Please contact Treva Swadley with questions.

CANCELLATION POLICY: If cancelling 2 weeks before camp, a full refund will be given. If cancellation occurs in the 2 weeks prior to camp, ½ refund will be given. If cancellation occurs the day camp begins, no refund will be given. This is due to expenses already incurred.

## CAMP FORMS

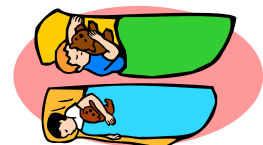
If you decide to use paper forms, then please have all **campers** use the **Girls' Camper Registration Form**. All **staff and cabin leaders** should fill out the **Non-Camper Registration Form**. They will need to list non-camper children that are coming to camp with them on the back of this form. **Everyone** coming to camp will need to fill out the **Greene Country Baptist Health Form**. A background check form needs to be completed by anyone over the age of 18 who has not served at camp before. We are also asking everyone to complete a new background check if their latest is more than 3 years old.

## CAMP REGISTRATION FORM

- While it is still blank, make copies in case you have more girls than the form allows.
- Fill out and turn into the Associational Office on or before the registration deadline of June 6th a list of all those attending (campers, cabin leaders, teen cabin leaders, all staff, and children of workers) from your church. **PLEASE DO NOT COMBINE CAMPS!** Record each camp on a separate sheet. For your own records, make copies of these completed forms. Send or bring the separate registration sheet for each camp to the Associational Office when you turn in forms and fees. Also, we ask that you write a separate check for boys' camp and girls camp.
- A copy of this form should accompany the person responsible for registering the girls at check-in the first day of camp.

## CABIN MATES

Choosing a cabin mate is optional. Girls will be divided by grade, so it is better if the cabin mates are in the same grade. One grade difference is



permitted; for example Grades 4-5 may be put together and Grades 6-7 together. Campers will not automatically be put with other campers or cabin leader from the same church unless requested. Please note that cabin mate requests cannot be guaranteed. **If cabin leaders wish to have specific girls in their cabins, they need to list that on the cabin leader's registration form.**

## **CABIN LEADERS**

**Every church is required to send one female cabin leader 18 years of age or older with every 1-10 campers.** Cabin Leaders (CL's) must be Christians and be able to adhere to the standards listed on the Non-Camper Registration form. There is no limit to the number of cabin leaders attending from one church. **Please ask potential workers to call Treva Swadley (417-872-9558) or Kari Murray (417-830-9060) as soon as possible.**

## **TRAINING SESSIONS**

Training sessions are required for each cabin leader and teen cabin leader. After camp registration, any workers will be placed on our mailing list for camp and will receive information concerning dates, times, and places for training and/or meetings. Cabin leaders and teen cabin leaders may choose to attend the training session held on either Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, from 9 am - 11:00 am or Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at Greene County Baptist Association office. There will be a mandatory meeting for all staff held at Baptist Hill on Monday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, at 9 AM.

## **CHECK IN & CHECK OUT**

We are asking churches to collect the girls' medications before they get onto the church bus/transportation. These medications should already be in a labeled zip lock bag. Check-in will start at **12:30 PM on Monday**, with a head lice check and after the girls are clear to proceed, the church sponsor will need to give all collected medications to the camp nurse. It is much easier during check-in if the church sends another adult besides the driver to help with the registration process. Directions are listed on the Driver/Chaperone Instructions sheet in your packet. You will want to bring a copy of your Camp Registration Form with any cancellations marked. Check out will be at – **1:00 PM on Friday.**



## **SUGGESTED PUBLICITY & CHURCH ACTIVITIES**

- A Camp Promotional Flyer is included in this packet. Place them at locations in your church where they will be seen by campers and parents. Find out if your church will pay a part of your camper's fees. If they will, please consider this when publicizing the amount for which the camper is responsible.
- Publicize camp in your church bulletin, newsletter, PowerPoint, etc. Invite former campers or staff members to share their experience of Girls' Camp with your church.
- Challenge your church to help girls with camp scholarships and other needs. We realize that churches are also feeling the effects of the economy and have had decreases in their giving which may impact how much churches can help pay for campers and staff. With this in mind, we are asking churches to possibly advertise within the church for individuals who might be willing to help with scholarships. We feel strongly that camp is a great spiritual childhood experience and we do not want anyone to be kept from coming due to the expense. We will do all we can to make sure that there are scholarships available. Please contact us if you know of anyone who needs assistance or if you can help in any way.
- Conduct two head lice checks per Girls' Camp policy. See detailed policy below.

- Encourage your church to have a dedication service for everyone attending before they go to camp. Remind your church to pray for each one who will be at camp.
- Provide a copy of the enclosed promotional newsletter to potential campers. It contains some important details. A more complete newsletter will be sent to each girl's home by the camp staff about 2 weeks prior to camp.

## HEAD LICE POLICY & HEAD LICE CHECK

- Head lice can cause very serious interruptions at camp so please make every effort to understand and encourage our policy and to send each one of your campers to Baptist Hill lice free! **If a girl, during registration, is found with lice or nits, she will be sent home in her church transportation vehicle with a letter to her parents as a policy of Baptist Hill.**

## HOW CAN WE AVOID UNDUE EMBARRASSMENT TO THE CAMPER AND KEEP FROM SENDING ANYONE HOME FROM CAMP?

Simple- follow these Girls' Camp Policies with NO exceptions:

- Please ask someone from your church to be responsible for setting up and checking the girls' hair.
- Before your church registration deadline, find a physician, nurse, or beautician or acquaintance that is knowledgeable about head lice to check camper heads. Do this check after your church's registration deadline (for example: 2 Wednesdays before camp). This should give parents adequate time to treat their daughter's hair if necessary. Usually more than one treatment is necessary.
- Conduct another head lice check again on the Sunday before camp begins. This check should catch any cases early and prevent the disappointment of discovering them after a girl arrives at camp.

## MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS OF INTEREST

- A phone is available in the office at Baptist Hill (417-466-3358). The camp phone is NOT for camper's personal use. In an emergency, staff members monitor the phone 24 hours a day.
- If girls come home from camp reporting something that really upset them while at Girls Camp, please ask the parents to call a team leader or Mike Haynes, Director of Missions at 869-2557. We want to do all that is possible to make camp a positive experience for all involved for many years to come.



## VISITORS AT CAMP

- We ask that people refrain from visiting the week of Girls Camp until Friday 12:20 – 1:00. This will be our last worship service with the girls and depending upon the number of campers and staff attending we may not have room for any parents/visitors to enter the Temple for this service. We appreciate your understanding.