

CAMP LOR-RAY

KIDS' CAMP HANDBOOK 2025

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Arrival Times for Kids' Camp

1st-3rd Camp | June 29 between 2:30-4:30 p.m.
4th-6th Grade Camp | July 6 between 2-4:30 p.m.
7th-9th Grade Camp | July 13 between 2-4:30 p.m.

Pickup Times

1st-3rd Camp | July 1 after 2 p.m. (Devotion ends around 2:30)
4th-6th Grade Camp | July 11 after 7 p.m. (Devotion ends around 8:00)
7th-9th Grade Camp | July 18 after 7 p.m. (Devotion ends around 8:00)

You are welcome to FREE CAMPING in Family Camp the night you pick up your child(ren).
Reserve your spot using our online reservation system.

GREETINGS AND WELCOME TO CAMP LOR-RAY!

The staff at Camp Lor-Ray wants you to have a wonderful time camping with us. To help your camping experience be a safe and happy one, not just for you but for every other camper, there are some guidelines and rules we ask you to follow. Please look through this manual and get excited about Kids' Camp 2025!

ARRIVAL & DISMISSAL INFORMATION

Arrival at camp is anytime between 2–4:30pm for all kids camp sessions. Camp ends after the closing devotion on the last day of the session. (Skits/songs and/or devotion begin at 2 p.m. for 1st–3rd and then 7 p.m. for 4th–9th Camps.) If these times are impossible for you, please make arrangements with another family in advance or contact the Camp Coordinator.

If you wish to camp in the Family Camp on the last night of your child's session, free of charge, you are welcome and encouraged to do so.

Note: When you arrive, please head up the sidewalk on the hill toward the "Mess Hall." Registration will be inside. Please do not put any suitcases, bags, bedding, etc. in any cabin until after you have been checked in by the nurse. IT MAKES IT BETTER TO CHECK IN FIRST AND NOT CARRY ALL THE LUGGAGE INTO THE ALREADY CRAMMED MESS HALL ;)

KIDS' CAMP RULES

SAFETY AND PROPER CHRISTIAN CONDUCT

1. You are a unique Christian, saved by Jesus and called to the specific vocation of "camper." As a camper you are to love your fellow campers, reflecting the love of your Savior Jesus, treating them with kindness and respect.
2. You will respect your body as a temple of the Holy Spirit with good personal habits, respectful talk and Christ-centered behavior.
3. You will respect your fellow campers and not do anything that will hurt or embarrass them, or deface or destroy their property.
4. You will respect your leaders, listening to and obeying them.

5. You will respect the camp that God has given us, and not abuse, deface, or litter it. We encourage you that if you find a piece of trash or litter, you pick it up and throw it away!
6. We will respect our God. We are here to grow in our knowledge of Scripture and in our faith in Jesus. We are here to enjoy the fellowship of believers. Therefore, we will expect you to be joy-filled and encouraging in your words and in your attitudes.
7. There will be no raids, pranks, practical jokes, or fights with shaving cream.
8. You will ALWAYS be with a “buddy.” Wherever you go, a “buddy” will go. In fact, if you have to go to the nurse or to the bathroom after lights out, first tell your counselor, and then get a “buddy” to go with you. You will ALWAYS be with a “buddy.”
9. You will be expected to wear your name tag other than when swimming.

PROPER DRESS and SHOES

1. You will always wear something on your feet. The only exception to this is when you are on the beach or in the shower. A pair of tennis shoes is a must. Flip-flops should only be worn in the cabin or to and from the shower.
2. Please do not wear any clothing that is distasteful or offensive with regard to the words or pictures on them. Please wear modest clothing, including either a one-piece swimming suit or a rash guard over a bikini top.
3. You are to come to all meals with hands clean and wearing a shirt. (We would also encourage wearing a smile but realize that smiles cannot be made mandatory!)
4. Hats may be worn, except in the dining hall for meals, Bible studies and devotions.

RESTRICTED AREAS

1. The girls' cabins and washhouse are off limits to boys, and the boys' cabins and washhouse are off limits to girls. Neither boys nor girls should loiter near the washhouse.
2. The woods, beach, staff, and family camp areas, as well as the covered pavilion are all off limits except at supervised times.
3. The kitchen, storage areas in the dining hall, and the telephone are off limits unless you are with a staff member.

4. If construction or repair work is in progress, do not go near that area.

AT MEALS

1. During meals, you will remain in the dining hall until everyone has been dismissed.
2. Milk is made available at each meal, as well as water. You can have as much water as you need, but please only take only one cup of milk at a time.
3. Seconds are usually offered at each meal, but you must wait for the signal. You will be told when you can go back for seconds, and you will be dismissed by tables.
4. We encourage you to have fun, but don't get reckless. Please don't waste food and don't make a mess. When you are done, please throw your garbage away.
5. The whistle rules the week at Kids' Camp. In the dining hall, the hand rules the meal. When the hand goes up, please listen closely to the announcement.
6. The bathroom in the dining hall is to be used for staff only. Campers are to use the bathrooms in their respective wash houses. In the case of an emergency, please talk to a staff member if you feel you need to use the staff bathroom.

RULES FOR SWIMMING

1. No campers are allowed on the beach or near the water except during Activity Periods.
2. Everyone must stay near a swimming buddy when he/she is in the water or on the beach. Your numbered tags will be placed on the board at the beginning of the Activity Period. You may switch locations (deep water, shallow water, or beach) after a buddy check. There will be a buddy check every 10 minutes, indicated by two short whistles.
3. No diving.
4. No rough play: pushing, dunking, chicken fights, etc.
5. Only one person on each raft or the Aqua Jump at a time.
6. You may not go in the deep swimming area unless you have passed the swimming test.
7. All swimmers must stay inside the designated swimming areas.

8. If you hear one short whistle, stop, look, and listen to the Aquatic Observer or Supervisor.
9. After two warnings of disobedience to rules, you will be asked to leave the swimming area for the remainder of that Activity Period.
10. If you hear one long whistle, exit the water as quickly as possible and stand on the beach with your buddy.
11. No swimming under the raft or Aqua Jump.

MISCELLANEOUS RULES

1. Please do not bring any money to camp. You are not allowed to have any food, drink, or candy in your suitcase. If you have any of these, please give it to your counselor and he/she will put it in the kitchen for you and give it to your parents at the end of the week.
2. You are not to wander off by yourself, even if you have a “buddy” with you. Keep with your group and make sure your counselor always knows where you are.
3. You are not allowed to have any medication in your cabin at all. If you have medication (prescription or over the counter) please give it to the nurse in its original container.
4. Do not share headgear, combs, towels, etc. with another person to avoid transfer of any type of disease.
5. The telephone is for staff use only. You are not to make any telephone calls without permission from the Camp Manager or Camp Director. Cell phones should not be brought to camp. If they are, they should be given to the Camp Director for safekeeping.
6. You are not permitted to leave your cabin after “lights-out” has been declared without the permission of your counselor, and then if you do leave, take a buddy.
7. The whistle rules the camp. We have a set schedule for each day, though the Camp Director may adjust timing as necessary.
8. Did you forget something? Please tell your counselor! We’ll buy the item when we go to town if we feel you really need the item.
9. Outgoing mail should be turned in to your counselor or at the dining hall. Incoming mail will be delivered at lunch or dinner, depending on when it comes in.

CAMPER CHECKLIST

Important Items

- _____ Bible
- _____ pen/pencil
- _____ water bottle
- _____ closed-toe shoes
- _____ extra shoes in case of rain

Bedding

- _____ sleeping bag
- _____ blanket
- _____ sheet
- _____ pillow

Clothes

- _____ raincoat
- _____ sweatshirt
- _____ jacket/windbreaker
- _____ socks
- _____ underwear
- _____ jeans
- _____ shorts
- _____ shirts
- _____ bathing suit
- _____ pajamas/sleepwear
- _____ sandals

Personal things

- _____ toothbrush
- _____ toothpaste
- _____ brush/comb
- _____ deodorant
- _____ bath towels
- _____ wash cloths
- _____ soap/body wash
- _____ shampoo
- _____ chapstick
- _____ hand/body lotion

Miscellaneous (some are optional)

- _____ stationery & envelopes
- _____ postage stamp
- _____ address book
- _____ laundry bag
- _____ bug repellent
- _____ hat
- _____ flashlight & batteries
- _____ sunglasses
- _____ fishing gear
- _____ sunscreen lotion
- _____ beach towels
- _____ book or journal (for free time)

Please do not bring a cell phone, iPod, electronic games, fans, bicycle, money, food, snacks, beverages, shaving cream, etc. Please keep your clothing modest (no bikini tops without a rash guard, short-shorts, or torn/ripped garments. Any logos, printing, or pictures on your clothing should not be offensive.) Thank you!

KIDS' CAMP DAILY SCHEDULES

4-6 & 7-9 GRADE SESSIONS

EXAMPLE SUNDAY

3:00-4:30	Registration
3:00-4:45	Activities at the waterfront (icebreaker activity if time permits)
4:45-5:45	Swim Test
5:45-6:00	Clean-up and prepare for dinner
6:00-7:00	Dinner / Announcements / Mail
7:00-7:30	Clean-up and prepare for Evening Activity
7:30-8:30	Evening Activity
8:30-9:30	Campfire program / Snack / Evening devotion
9:30-10:00	Get ready for bed / Showers
10:00-10:15	Counselor / Camper prayers
10:15	Lights Out / Goodnight!

EXAMPLE FRIDAY

Follow regular daily schedule until 4:00pm

4:00-5:15	Special Large Group Activity
5:15-5:45	Pack, clean-up, and prepare for dinner
5:45-6:45	Dinner / Announcements / Mail
7:00-7:45	Skits / Songs
7:45-8:00	Closing Devotion

EXAMPLE DAILY SCHEDULE

7:00–7:45	Good morning! (showers/get ready for breakfast)
7:45–8:00	Flag Raising / Morning Prayer
8:00–8:40	Breakfast / Announcements / Morning Devotion
8:40–9:00	Cabin clean-up
9:00–9:45	Activity Period 1
10:00–10:45	Bible Study
11:00–11:45	Activity Period 2
12:00–1:00	Lunch / Announcements / Cabin inspection (golden dustpan!)
1:00–1:45	Rest Time (reading, resting, letter writing, skit/song ideas)
2:00–2:45	Bible Study
2:45–3:00	Snack
3:00–3:45	Activity Period 3
4:00–4:45	Activity Period 4
5:00–5:45	Activity Period 5
5:45–6:00	Clean-up and prepare for dinner
6:00–7:00	Dinner / Announcements / Mail
7:00–7:30	Clean-up and prepare for Evening Activity
7:30–8:30	Evening Activity
8:30–9:30	Campfire program / Snack / Evening devotion
9:30–10:00	Get ready for bed / Showers
10:00–10:15	Counselor / Camper prayers
10:15	Lights Out / Goodnight!

1-3 GRADE SESSION

EXAMPLE SUNDAY

- 3:00–4:30 Registration / Meet & Greet in Cabins
- 4:45–5:45 Swim Test
- 5:45–6:00 Clean-up and prepare for dinner
- 6:00–6:45 Dinner / Announcements / Mail
- 7:00–7:45 Evening / Large Group Activity
- 8:00–9:00 Campfire / Snack / First evening devotion
- 9:00–9:30 Get Ready for bed / Lights out

Parents: fellowship time in Moldstad Hall (or Craft Cabin) until 11:00pm

EXAMPLE MONDAY

- 7:00–7:45 Good morning! (showers/get ready for breakfast)
- 7:45–8:00 Flag Raising / Morning Prayer
- 8:00–8:40 Breakfast / Announcements / Morning Devotion
- 8:40–9:00 Cabin clean-up
- 9:00–9:30 Bible Study
- 9:45–10:15 Activity Period
- 10:30–11:00 Snack / Bathroom Break
- 11:15–11:45 Activity Period
- 12:00–1:00 Lunch / Announcements / Cabin inspection (golden dustpan!)
- 1:00–1:45 All Groups: Rest Time
- 2:00–2:30 Bible Study
- 2:30–3:00 Snack / Bathroom Break
- 3:00–3:30 Activity Period
- 3:45–4:15 Activity Period
- 4:30–4:45 Change for Swim

5:00–5:45 Swimming
6:00–6:45 Dinner / Announcements / Mail
7:00–7:45 Evening / Large Group Activity
8:00–9:00 Campfire / Snack / Evening devotion
9:00–9:30 Get Ready for bed / Lights out

Parents: fellowship time in Moldstad Hall (or Craft Cabin) until 11:00pm

EXAMPLE TUESDAY

7:00–7:45 Good morning! (showers/get ready for breakfast)
7:45–8:00 Flag Raising / Morning Prayer
8:00–8:40 Breakfast / Announcements / Morning Devotion
8:40–9:00 Cabin clean-up
9:00–9:30 Bible Study
9:45–10:15 Activity Period
10:30–11:00 Snack / Bathroom Break
11:15–11:45 Activity Period
12:00–1:00 Lunch / Announcements / Cabin inspection (golden dustpan!)
1:00–1:45 Rest/Free Time or Activity (TBD by Director)
2:00–2:30 Closing Devotion

CONTACT INFORMATION

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 - Videos, photos, and updates are posted throughout the weeks and throughout the year.

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THANK YOU!

Welcome again to Camp Lor-Ray. We're going to have a great time. The leaders will treat you with love and respect as a lamb of Jesus. We expect you to do the same with your fellow campers and with the staff.

Let's have an awesome week(s)!