

DEAR SONDAYS CAMPER!

First off, we want to let you know how absolutely thrilled we are that you are signed up to take part in the best week of the year! There really is nothing quite like camp and we can't wait for you to experience every second of it! We are already praying for you and the mighty ways God is going to work in and through you. Our prayer is that you will know Him and the relationship He desires to have with you in a deeper way, and that you will grow deeper in your relationships with others through all the fun, fellowship, worship and time spent with God! GET READY! IT'S ALMOST HERE! Here are a few details for you to know in order to have the best possible week at SONDAYS CAMP 2025!

CHECK-IN:

VERY IMPORTANT! DON'T MISS THIS! YOU CANNOT ARRIVE AT MT. LEBANON FOR SONDAYS CAMP WITHOUT FIRST CHECKING IN AT THE CHURCH ON SUNDAY JULY 6 STARTING AT 2 PM DON'T EVEN TRY IT! (We know you were thinking about it)

Check in will happen in the MAC at First Woodway from 2-3 PM and once you have checked in and only after you have checked in, you can make your way to Mt. Lebanon to get settled into your cabin and meet your sponsors for the week!

TRANSPORTATION:

First Woodway will provide transportation home from camp BUT getting campers to camp is the responsibility of the parents/guardians! (If your student needs help with transportation there, we will be taking a van so please communicate with Chase, Meredith, or Terri about those transportation needs beforehand). Maps to Mt. Lebanon and cabin assignments will be given at check-in (another reason not to skip that important step).

Please note: WE HAVE A STRICT POLICY THAT NO STUDENT IS ALLOWED TO DRIVE THEMSELVES TO CAMP. We will return home to First Woodway from camp via charter bus on Friday July 11 around noon! So be there and be ready to throw your arms around your camper and take them home to sleep!

SUNDAY DINNER:

No dinner will be served on Sunday night at camp! I know! We're sad about it too because we love eating with all of you! So please make plans to eat something with family or friends and be back to camp before we kick things off with our first worship service at 7:30pm in the Worship Center!

PACKING LIST:

- o Bible, pen and journal (these are listed first because they are important, if you don't have a Bible or journal, please let us know and we will be happy to provide you one)
- o Bedding (twin size) and towels
- o Clothing (shorts, mid-thigh or longer are permitted at all times - see dress code below)
- o A laundry bag or trash bag for dirty clothes! (must go back in suitcase on the last day)
- o Bathroom stuff
- o Swimsuit (girls: one piece only)
- o Extra money for snacks
- o Refillable water bottle
- o Your 2025 DuckSquad t-shirt (Do not wear to camp! We will wear this all together another day)

DO NOT BRING:

Cell phones (see below), headphones, AirPods, speakers, clothing with questionable logos, tank tops, knives, fireworks, lighters.

The following items are a one strike policy, if they are found after the first night, we are calling home and parents will be asked to come pick up the student: alcohol, vapes, cigarettes or drugs of any kind. These items simply have zero place at camp and we will not tolerate it.

DRESS CODE:

As a common rule, if you have to ask if it is in dress code, opt to wear something that you are certain will be. We encourage all students, male and female alike, to dress modestly with clothing attire throughout the week. Please help us avoid awkward conversations by wearing appropriate clothing!

- No tank tops or crop tops
- Shirts that are backless, low-cut, strapless, spaghetti-strapped, or have cut outs are not allowed. Basically, we don't want any undergarments exposed.
- Dresses which are sleeveless are allowed, but above rules apply.
- All shorts and dresses should be modest length. No short shorts, short skirts, or any clothing that is too short (and you know when they're too short). Shorts must be visible (we don't want to guess if you are wearing shorts or not).
- One-piece swimsuits only (or two-piece/tankini with a colored t-shirt over – not a tank top)

NO CELL PHONES AT CAMP:

STUDENTS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO HAVE CELL PHONES WHILE AT CAMP.

The reason is simple – cell phones are a distraction to the purpose of camp. Sondays Camp as a whole has implemented a NO CELL PHONE policy, and First Woodway will comply. We are asking our students to consider this as a FAST. We will keep our eyes on Jesus, not on our devices!

1. *What about pictures?* We will provide a shared picture file where students will be able to find pictures they want to share with family and friends after camp.

2. *What if I need to contact my student?* Every sponsor will have a cell phone so students can easily contact parents. If you need to reach out to your student, simply contact First Woodway Youth Staff and they will have the sponsor inform your student to reach out to you.

3. *What if my student requires their cell phone for important medical reasons?* We do understand the use of a smart phone is needed by some for medical purposes. Please reach out to the First Woodway Youth Staff and let us know, so we can make note of those exceptions.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUMMER JAM: entering 7-11 grade

Our theme for the summer is... SUMMER JAM! And we are bringing the Jam to Camp with our very own "Summer Jam Dance Party" complete with a DJ and concluding with an epic leaders versus students basketball game! This party will take place on Wednesday night for grades entering 7-11! So bring your space themed attire and/or basketball gear to come on and slam now welcome to the jam!

FRIEND NIGHT DRAWING: entering 12-grads

While grades 7-11 are partying at Summer Jam, our seniors and grads will be having a party of their own! The tradition of "friend night" at camp continues and we want to tell you a little bit about why!

We live in a world that is increasingly confusing when it comes to dating and interaction with the opposite sex. Far too often it seems impossible to engage with a member of the opposite sex in a way that is not sexualized and influenced by the pressures to take things to an inappropriate place. We want to give (older) students an opportunity to experience that and grow in understanding that it can be done before they head off into the "real world". If you have any further questions about why we do this element of camp, please feel free to reach out to Chase Wommack at cwommack@firstwoodway.org

CONTACT INFO:

Sondays Camp takes place at Mount Lebanon Baptist Camp in Cedar Hill (just south of Dallas on Highway 67). Important phone calls may be placed to Chase (254) 495-4988 or Meredith (254) 722-1956. The numbers for Mt. Lebanon (for emergencies only) are (972) 489-0325 or (972) 291-6045. There will be no provision for mailing letters or packages to campers.

**IT'S GOING TO BE A GREAT WEEK! THE BEST WEEK OF THE YEAR!
WE CAN'T WAIT TO BE THERE!**

Chase Wommack and Meredith Morton - Ministers to Youth First Woodway Baptist Church