# Camp Constitution Journal

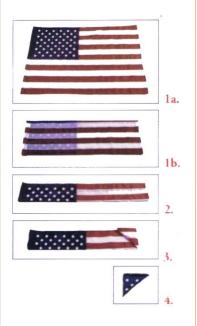
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# Birthright Citizenship

#### FOLDING ★ THE ★ FLAG

To properly fold the U.S. Flag, follow these steps:

- 1. Two people face each other, each holding one end of the flag. Stretch it horizontally at waist height and fold in half lengthwise.
- **2.** Fold the flag in half lengthwise again; the union (blue field) should be on the outside with edges held together.
- **3.** One person holds the flag by the union while the other starts at the opposite end by making a triangular fold.
- **4.** Continue to fold in triangles until the flag resembles a cocked hat with only the blue field showing. ★



#### **No Real Controversy in Constitution**

The reason prompting foreign expectant mothers to have babies in the United States is our government's current interpretation of Section 1 of the 14th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which begins: "All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside." The prevailing interpretation of this amendment is that any baby born in the United States, even to a mother who is here illegally, is a U.S. citizen. However, many constitutional experts disagree. John Eastman, a law professor, former dean at Chapman University's Fowler School of Law, and the founding director of the Claremont Institute's Center for Constitutional Jurisprudence, wrote an opinion piece run in the New York Times for August 24 headlined, "Birthright Citizenship Is Not Actually in the Constitution." Like most experts who question the constitutional justification for birthright citizenship, Eastman notes that the 14th Amendment states two requirements for citizenship — that an individual is born on U.S. soil; and that an individual is subject to the jurisdiction of the United States when born.

Eastman referred back to someone who should have known the correct interpretation of this clause, Senator Jacob Howard, who introduced the language of the citizenship clause on the floor of the Senate and contended that it should be interpreted in the same way as the requirement of the 1866 Civil Rights Act, which afforded citizenship to "all persons born in the United States and not subject to any foreign power." The Congressional Globe (a predecessor to the Congressional Record) for the Senate, 39th Congress, 1st Session, on May 30, 1865 recorded the debate concerning amendments to the proposed (14th) amendment, initiated by Howard:

The President pro tempore. The question is on the amendment proposed by the Senator from Michigan [Mr. Howard]. Mr. Howard. The first amendment is to section one, declaring that "all persons born in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the States wherein they reside." I do not propose to say anything on that subject except that the question of citizenship has been so fully discussed in this body as not to need any further elucidation, in my opinion. This amendment which I have offered is simply declaratory of what I regard as the law of the land already, that every person born within the limits of the United States, and subject to their jurisdiction, is by virtue of natural law and national law a citizen of the United States.

This will not, of course, include persons born in the United States who are foreigners, aliens, who belong to the families of ambassadors or foreign ministers accredited to the Government of the United States, but will include every other class of Continued Page 2

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persons. It settles the great question of citizenship and removes all doubt as to what persons are or are not citizens of the United States. [Emphasis added.]

The text of the final amendment included the additional phrase, "or naturalized," but was ratified with the language, "and subject to the jurisdiction thereof," which limited its grant of citizenship as Howard had explained.

Continuing along in the debate recorded in the Congressional Globe, we read a statement expressed by Senator James Doolittle of Wisconsin, who expressed concern as to how the amendment would affect the citizenship status of American Indians: "I presume the honorable Senator from Michigan does not intend by this amendment to include the Indians."

#### Howard responded, in part:

Indians born within the limits of the United States, and who maintain their tribal relations, are not, in the sense of this amendment, born subject to the jurisdiction of the United States. They are regarded, and always have been in legislation and jurisprudence, as being quasi foreign nations. As Steve Byas noted in his article for The New American posted online on August 22, "Trump Gives New Life to Bill on Birthright Citizenship":

While some American Indians did become American citizens before the 20th century, it was not until 1924 that Congress passed the Snyder Act, which granted citizenship to all remaining non-citizen Indians. It strains credulity to believe that American Indians, whose ancestors had lived within the borders of the United States for centuries before the first English settlements and the founding of the American Republic, were not considered natural born citizens under the terms of the 14th Amendment, but children of illegal aliens are considered natural born citizens!

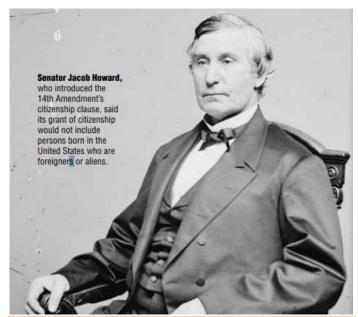
If the Indians were considered part of "quasi-foreign nations," and thus not included in the wording of the 14th Amendment, it is reasonable to conclude that the children of illegal aliens are likewise excluded.

Since an illegal alien who is a citizen of another nation is subject to that "foreign power," then their offspring, whether born abroad or in the United States, are also citizens of, and subject to, that power. The children of foreign diplomats stationed in the United States become citizens of their parents' nation, and children born to U.S. military personnel stationed overseas automatically become U.S. citizens (though some

foreign countries also afford them dual citizenship and the chance to decide their preferred citizenship upon achieving adulthood). As Eastman concluded his article:

The misunderstood policy of birthright citizenship provides a powerful magnet for people to violate our immigration laws and undermines the plenary power over naturalization that the Constitution explicitly gives to Congress. It is long past time to clarify that the 14th Amendment does not grant U.S. citizenship to the children of anyone just because they can manage to give birth on U.S. soil.

While that may be just one man's opinion, given Eastman's impressive credentials, it is nevertheless a very credible opinion.★



This is a snippet from the Article: Seeking Birthright Citizenship, Foreign Women Give Birth in America, The New American, November 9, 2015 by Warren Mass.



Think about what that baby is doing to the Constitution!

# States Push Back Against The UN

# Tennessee

Tennessee's S.B. 1147, enacted in 2023 and modeled on an Alabama law enacted 11 years earlier, declares that state agencies and local governments "shall not adopt or implement policy recommenda tions that deliberately or inadvertently infringe or restrict private property rights without due process, as may be required by policy recommendations originating in, or traceable to, the United Nations or a subsidiary entity of the United Nations." S.B. 1147 specifies that these "policy rec ommendations" include the UN's Agendas 21 and 2030, its net-zero emissions pro posals, and any other "international law or ancillary plan of action that contravenes" the U.S. or Tennessee constitutions. The law also bars state agencies and localities from participating in or cooperating with nongovernmental and intergovernmental organizations. During S.B. 1147's consid eration in the Senate, lead sponsor Senator Frank Niceley (R-Strawberry Plains), not ing the UN's influence on local planning commissions, declared, "This is to send a message to the United Nations that they [can] do whatever they want to some where else, but they're not gonna do it here in Tennessee."

Tennessee legislators have continued these efforts. In 2024, the General Assembly enacted follow-up legislation requiring local governments to annually certify their compliance with the act, and creating a legal cause of action against localities vi olating its provisions. Tennessee's law is a major step toward enforcing the U.S. Con stitution against UN schemes that violate it. This year, legislators are considering legislation to further expand and strength en this law (S.B. 1231/H.B. 1264 and S.B. 263/H.B. 318), and have already enacted a bill to remove references in other state statutes recognizing the WHO's authority (S.B. 669).

### Louisiana & Oklahoma

In 2024, Louisiana and Oklahoma enacted their own versions of legislation nullifying the UN and its af filiates. Oklahoma's law (S.B. 426), which closely mirrors Louisiana's (S.B. 133), de clares, "The World Health Organization, the United Nations and the World Eco nomic Forum shall have no jurisdiction in the State of Oklahoma." S.B. 426 also bans state agencies and local governments from enforcing or collaborating with "any requirements, instructions, mandates, rec ommendations, or guidance"

from those organizations, or using them as the basis for vaccine mandates, surveillance, and other draconian policies.

Supporters of these bills have high lighted the need to protect constitutional principles. At the signing ceremony for S.B. 133, Louisiana Governor Jeff Landry noted, "These organizations [the UN, WHO, and WEF] ... encroach upon the daily lives of Americans and those in Louisiana as well." He continued, "We have a wonderful document — it's called the United States Constitution — that dic tates how our government structure is run and exactly who has the ability to affect the lives of American citizens and here in Louisiana as well." And Oklahoma Rep resentative Rick West (R-Heavener) de clared that S.B. 426 would help prevent "mandates proposed by these non-elected global organizations that would severely limit the personal liberties of all Oklahomans and Americans."

### **Spreading to Other States**

This year has already seen further state level action against the UN. In addition to Tennessee's follow-up bills, similar leg islation has been introduced in Arkansas, Georgia, Kansas, Montana, New Hamp shire, North Dakota, South Dakota, Texas, West Virginia, and Wyoming, among other states. These efforts have sometimes met hurdles. For example, South Dakota's bill (H.B. 1152) narrowly failed in the House by a 32-37 vote, while the North Dakota House watered down its bill (H.B. 1089) before ultimately voting it down by a 38-53 vote. Overall, however, these efforts have seen undeniable momentum in state legislatures over the last two years — and there's no sign of it fading.

To be sure, this legislation is just a first step toward pushing back against the UN and its unconstitutional programs. Legisla tors would be wise to follow up with bills that target specific policies and programs associated with the UN and its Agendas 21 and 2030, including comprehensive plans, Smart Growth, carbon-capture pipelines, and zoning rules that limit or discourage single-family housing. This is because, as The New American previously reported, "proponents of [Agendas 21 and 2030] will usually argue that their proposals have nothing to do with an international scheme, protesting, 'Agenda 21? Never heard of it. Just local. Just local. Just local.'" \*

Excerpt from *States Push Back Against The UN* by Peter Rykowski, **The New American**, May 12, 2025

#### Freedom Project Academy Award Winning Essay

#### Why The Constitution Is Important To Me

The constitution is important to me because it protects me from other people. In the constitution there are 10 rights, one of those rights states that I can speak freely, worship God, and gather with others, whether it's in a public place or in my home. While certain amendments tell me what I can do, other amendments tell me what the government can't do to my family. For example, the government can't force my family to house soldiers in our home. Instead, the government must get our consent beforehand. Similarly, another states the government cannot search or seize land without reason. This means that people can't show up at my house and search the property without a warrant. Additionally, there are also amendments that protect me from myself, like the 5<sup>th</sup> amendment. It declares that if I plead the fifth then I'm protecting myself from self-incrimination. Likewise, the amendment states I can own weapons which I could use for selfdefense. Many of these rights are for me and others. While some amendments are simpler than others, each of these amendments have great meaning and importance to me, like the ability to protect myself from many things. The amendments are part of the constitution that were written to protect people. Today, many people might not realize how important the constitution is, however, before it was made, Americans were unable to protect themselves from taxes and even having strange people live in their homes just because the government said it had to happen.

The constitution also shapes the government and the US as a country. In the constitution there are articles, and each of those articles describes what might happen if someone breaks the law. The articles also state that no one can become president unless they have been a resident of the US for 14 vears and were born in the US. This means a lot to me because then a person from a different country can't come to the US and become president. If they did become president they might take away our rights as Americans just because it's how they were governed in their country. Another thing that matters is the state representatives. A person cannot become a representative for a state unless he or she is a resident of that state at the time of the election. The people of the state chose who the representatives are, which means that a representative from another state cannot represent a different state. Making it so that the people know what plans the representative has for that state. The constitution is very important, it protects many individuals, including myself. Without the constitution, the US would be unorganized and potentially dangerous. I love the constitution because of the safety it provides for me, my family, and others while keeping this country safe and organized. \*

**By Alice Turner** 

# Jr. Camper Class Update

The 9–12 junior campers discussed the reasons for The Revolutionary War and George Washington's role as leader. They all signed their own Declaration of Independence using a real quill pen. Lastly, they crafted their own tricorn hats out of paper while learning about the history of the hat.★ Mrs. Jessica Whitworth



# **CONNECT FOUR**

Round 1

| Player Rd William Turner |   | Rd3 | Final  |
|--------------------------|---|-----|--------|
| Milliam Turner \//       |   |     | LIIIdi |
| william rurner w         | W | L   | -      |
| Gabriel Newman W         | W | L   | -      |
| Juliet Hedberg W         | L | -   | -      |
| Adrian Cook W            | W | W   | 1-2    |
| Lincoln Weaver W         | W | W   | 2-1    |
| Rafael Newman            | - | -   | -      |
| Damian Hedberg L         | - | -   | -      |
| Sergei Stahl             | - | -   | -      |
| Alya Stahl               | - | -   | -      |
| David Newman L           | - | -   | -      |

The 2025 Connect 4 Tournament Champion is Lincoln Weaver. Congratulations to all our competitors, but especially to Lincoln who managed to defeat Adrian Cook in a close 2-1, three game series. The rest of the competition will need to hone their skills prior to next year's camp. ★



Camp Constitution 2025

# ★ CABIN ★ INSPECTIONS ★

#### **Boys Dorm A**

Please name your cabin. We need some help here. Two messy beds, and a wet pair of swim shorts hanging inside-out from the bed frame. In the bathroom, the soap was neatly displayed, but it appears that only one shower stall was even used. Five boys, one shower stall, hmmmm; you do the math! \*

Score: 5.0



#### **Boys Dorm B**

Land of the Free, Home of the Brave is the name. Very neat and orderly. There was a trump hat and patriots cap. Towels were neatly folded. It was clean under the bed. Minuses: Swim trunks in the shower and some stray papers on the floor.  $\star$ 

Score: 7.0



#### **Girls Room 11**

Please name your cabin. The two gender quote from Mr. Kalis saved the day. The sink in the bathroom was a disaster. The paper towels were out of order; there was a hair tie out. The floor could have used a sweep, but otherwise it was fairly tidy. \* Score: 6.0

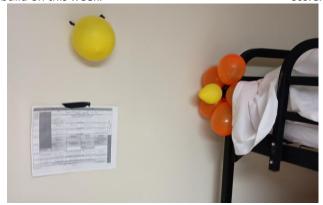
#### Hillside 30

No. Name. If you knew we were coming you'd a made a bed! The decorations are awesome. Unfortunately, neat and tidy comes first. We're expecting great thing from cabin 30 moving forward.★ Score: 4.0



#### Hillside 15

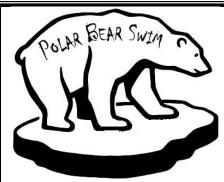
No Name. No decorations unless the orange and yellow balloonflower was your attempt. Still very neat and clean. A solid start to build on this week.★ Score: 5.0



### ★2025 PIZZA PARTY RACE ★

| Standings   | M   | Τ | W | Thu | News | Total |
|-------------|-----|---|---|-----|------|-------|
| Dorm A      | 5.0 | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0    | 5.0   |
| Dorm B      | 7.0 | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0    | 7.0   |
| Room 11     | 6.0 | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0    | 6.0   |
| Lodge 30    | 4.0 | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0    | 4.0   |
| Hillside 15 | 5.0 | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0    | 5.0   |

NAME YOUR CABINS! YOU CAN'T WIN WITHOUT A NAME!!!!



Today's Conditions: "Overcast"

| Bears           |                    |  |  |
|-----------------|--------------------|--|--|
| Melanie Shrader | Owen Clements      |  |  |
| Noah Newman     | Gabriel Newman     |  |  |
| Job Westrick    | Caeli Westrick     |  |  |
| Mim Westrick    | Annaliese Westrick |  |  |
| Franklin Soon   | Willie Soon        |  |  |
| Jonathan Cohler |                    |  |  |

| Runners       |                  |  |  |
|---------------|------------------|--|--|
| Sam Rousey    | Lincoln Weaver   |  |  |
| Daniel Tyuvin | Willow Whitworth |  |  |
| David Tyuvin  | Caleb McMaster   |  |  |
| Paul Tuoh     | Jessica Willow   |  |  |
| Ardian Cook   |                  |  |  |



Cinnamon French Toast ★Sausage Links **★Potato Pancakes ★Scrambled Eggs** 

**★**Hot/Cold Cereal **★**Blueberry Muffins

★Fresh Fruit ★Yogurt ★Boiled Eggs ★Toast

#### Lunch

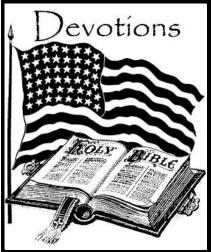
Jasmine Rice ★Teriyaki Chicken Strips ★ Stir Fry Vegetables ★ Egg Rolls ★Salad Bar ★Fresh Fruit ★ Thai Chicken Soup ★

#### Dinner

Meat Loaf ★Garden Burger ★ Mashed Potatoes

**★**Mixed Vegetable **★**Dinner Rolls

**★**Dinner Salad Bar ★ Boston Crème Pie



| Morning Devotion           |                    |              |  |
|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------|--|
| Scripture                  | Mim Westrick       |              |  |
| Flag Duty                  | Annaliese Westrick |              |  |
| Evening Devotion           |                    |              |  |
| Flag Duty                  | Paul Tuolty        |              |  |
| Noah Newn                  | nan Caleb McMaster |              |  |
| Grace Before Meals         |                    |              |  |
| Breakfast                  | Maryja Westrick    |              |  |
| Lunch                      | Marlee Newman      |              |  |
| Dinner                     | Nyah Johnson       |              |  |
| Last Night's Flag Devotion |                    |              |  |
| Eamon Westrick             |                    | Job Westrick |  |

## Inspiration

Jesus is King, let freedom ring! Jane Andrews



Sunday's Campfire

The first campfire of Camp Constitution 2025 was warmly attended and lead by our new campfire director, Ms. Donna DeSantis.

Some of the songs selected were: My Darling Clementine, My Bonnie, America the Beautiful, I've Been Working on the Railroad, the Bear Song, Edelweiss etc. Josh Vilniskis performed on the Violin. Jokes were provided by Melanie Shrader and Mr. Hal Shurtleff. Mrs. Catherine White performed from her endless catalog of Irish favorites and treated the camp to a delightful rendition of "There was an old lady who swallowed a fly".

Franklin Soon played taps as 10pm approached.

**Campfire Devotion** Job Westrick.★

#### NOTICE: GROUP **PHOTOS**

If you want a print of the group photo, get your orders in ASAP. This is a short week and we need to arrange for printing, pickup and distribution. Counselors should have a count by the end of Tuesday. Family orders: See Hal Shurtleff. ★

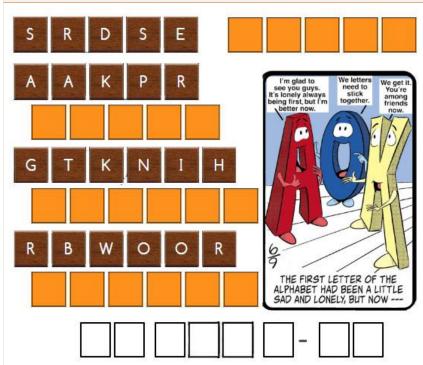
#### NOTICE: CONTENT NEEDED

Newspaper Editions should be out after campfire. Photos can be shared by bringing your camera to the newspaper room where I can copy your photo roll. Photos will be added to the Archives. You can email stories, artwork etc. to **fleck14@verizon.net**. Missing a copy? I can print one for you. ★

### Snack Bar News

| Hours                      | Prices      |        | Prices   |        | Prices         |        |
|----------------------------|-------------|--------|----------|--------|----------------|--------|
|                            | Chewy Bars  | \$0.25 | Klondike | \$0.75 | M&M's          | \$1.25 |
| 1PM – 5PM                  | Rice Crispy | \$0.50 | Payday   | \$1.00 | Hershey Bar    | \$1.25 |
| $7^{30}PM - 7^{45}PM$      | Cheez Its   | \$0.50 | Pringles | \$1.00 | Raisinets      | \$1.50 |
| 10PM – 10 <sup>30</sup> PM | Ice Cream   | \$1.00 | Soda     | \$1.00 | Jr mints       | \$1.50 |
|                            |             |        |          |        | Ice Cream Cone | \$1.50 |

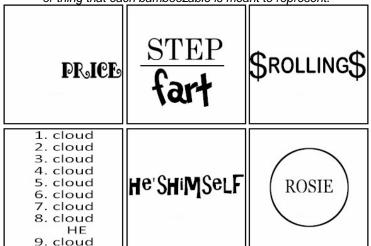
# ★ PUZZLES ★ GAMES ★ QUOTES ★



Bamboozable #54 & 55



The object is to try to figure out the well-known saying, person, place, or thing that each bamboozable is meant to represent.



American Space



Exploration

# The Word Search

### Constellations

M K V X E D D S O S
H G J G F X P G G V
W E P E R S E U S A
T M R S E H Y D R A
V I A C C U N B D U
V N S R U O I A O Y
V I G Y I L R C Y U
P I R R B E E P L G
B K O G K O S S I S
T K F H O H K J T O

Perseus Pisces Libra Big Scorpio Virgo Orion Leo

Gemini

Hercules

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Hydra

Aries

#### **Tomorrow's Schedule**

#### **★** Camp Constitution Schedule **★** Required When Where/Notes Polar Bear Swim / Morning Run Pond / Trail 6:30AM 7:00AM Wake Up !!! Optional Prayer Walk - Mrs. Giminez Outside Maple Ridge 7:50AM Flag Raising: Devotions & Announcements Flag Pole (Mtn View Lodge) Breakfast Outside Cafeteria for Grace 8:00AM 8:30AM Staff Meeting (Students Cabin Prep) Mtn View Lodge Man-made Inferno versus Natural Wildfires Professor Willie Soon 9:00AM Short-Break 10:00AM \* The Right to Keep and Bear Arms Mr. Keith Hanson Short-Break 11:00AM The Forefathers Monument Mrs. Michelle Gallagher Short-Break 12:00PM ★ Lunch (See Optional Field Trip) Outside Cafeteria for Grace 1:00PM Recreation Time: Optional Marksmanship LAKEFRONT/POOL USE REQUIRES LIFEGUARD 2:00PM Optional 3PM: Swimming Available 2:30pm 3:00PM Optional Movie: " Monumental" 5:00PM Outside Cafeteria for Grace 6:30PM Measuring the Earth: The Global Energy Budget? Professor Willie Soon 7:20PM \* Flag Lowering Flag Pole \* The President of The United States 7:45PM Mr Hal Shurtleff Break: (Long Sleeves, Bug Repellant, Songbooks, Flashlight) 8:00PM 9:00PM Campfire(Flashlight & Songbook) - Staff Fire Pit(Optional For Juniors) 10:00PM Break: Snack & Newspapers x Report to Cabin 10:30PM Assigned Cabins 11:00PM x Lights Out Good Night **★**Tuesday, July 15, 2025**★**

| ★Camp Constitution Jr. Patriot Schedule★                                       |   |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|
| Start  | Program   | Where/Notes                                      |  |  |
| 6:30 AM  | Polar Bear Swim / Morning Run   | Pond / Trail                                     |  |  |
| 7:00 AM  | Wake Up !!!   |  |  |  |
| 7:50 AM  | Flag Raising: Devotions & Announcements   | Flag Pole  |  |  |
| 8:00 AM  | Breakfast   | Outside Cafeteria for Grace                      |  |  |
| 9:00 AM  | O AM Opening Welcome Morning Prayer & Songs Mrs. Edith Craft / Mrs. Jessica Whitworth |  |  |  |
| Ages   | 5-8 Mrs. Edith Craft/Ms. DeSantis   | Ages 9-12 Mrs Jessica Whitworth                  |  |  |
| 9:25 AM  | Prayer! Songs!  | 9:30 AM Valley Forge - Endurance & Determination |  |  |
|  | Quick Break   |  |  |  |
| 9:40 AM  | Lesson A: Constitution & Bill Rights  | 10:00 AM "Fire Cakes" Activity                   |  |  |
|  | Morning Snack   | 10:30 AM Snacks                                  |  |  |
| 10:30 AM   | Lesson B: Amendments 1 & 2  | 10:45 AM Soldier March (barefoot)/Mnuteman Relay |  |  |
| 11:05 AM   | Craft Time: 5 1st Amendment Rights  | 11:00 AM Rope Making Activity                    |  |  |
| 11:45 AM   | Clean-Up  | 11:30 AM Clean-Up                                |  |  |
|  | 12:00 AM Lunch Outside Cafeteria for Grace  |  |  |  |
| 1:00 PM Recreation Time - Mr. Kalis (Spunky The Clown Session 1: Balloons etc) |   |  |  |  |
| 5:00 PM  | Dinner  | Outside Cafeteria for Grace                      |  |  |
| 7:20 PM  | Flag Lowering   | Flag Pole (Mtn View Lodge)                       |  |  |
| 9:00 PM  | Campfire(Flashlight & Songbook) - Staff   | Fire Pit (Optional For Juniors)                  |  |  |
| ★Tuesday, July 15, 2025★   |   |  |  |  |