



Parent Information Booklet

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2018 CAMP SCHEDULE

Be sure to look for the week based on the grade your child will enter in the fall of 2018. *Campers are required to attend the correct week of camp for their grade level.*

<i>SUPER KIDS' RETREAT</i>	<i>June 15-16</i>	<i>Ages 4-7</i>
<i>KIDS' CAMP #1</i>	<i>June 17-22</i>	<i>Grades 2-4</i>
<i>KIDS' CAMP #2 (Early Session)</i>	<i>June 17-22</i>	<i>Grades 5-6</i>
<i>KIDS' CAMP #2</i>	<i>June 24-29</i>	<i>Grades 4-6</i>
<i>TEEN CAMP #1</i>	<i>July 1-6</i>	<i>Grades 7-9</i>
<i>TEEN CAMP #2</i>	<i>July 8-13</i>	<i>Grades 9-12</i>
<i>FAMILY CAMP WEEKEND</i>	<i>August 31 - Sept 2</i>	<i>Families</i>

Camp Dixie's programs are open to all youths, regardless of race, color, or national origin.

DIRECTIONS TO CAMP DIXIE

373 W. Bladen Union Church Road, Fayetteville, NC

From South: Take St. Pauls - Hwy. 20 exit off I-95. Go seven miles through St. Pauls and out of town. Take first left after Bladen County line. Camp Dixie will be 3 miles on the right.

From North: Take exit 46A off I-95. Follow Hwy. 87 and head south towards Elizabethtown. Camp Dixie is on the right after 13 miles. Large billboard identifies turn off.

From Wilmington: Head north on Hwy 87. Go 8 miles north of TarHeel. Sign points directly to William O. Huske Lock and Dam—turn left to Camp Dixie.

PACKING LIST *(for all camps)*

- Bed linens – blanket or sleeping bag, pillow, twin sheet set
- Towels, washcloths, liquid soap, shampoo, other personal items
- Water bottle to carry
- Bible, notebook, pencil
- Bathing suit (modest one or two-piece suits – no bare midriffs for girls), sunscreen, swim towel
- Tennis shoes are required for activities, sandals or flip-flops for pool and lake time (shoes or sandals must be worn at all times)
- Durable, modest, casual clothing and old t-shirts to “get dirty” in
- Spending money for the camp store (see bank information on pg. 10)
- Drawstring bag/backpack recommended to carry items while walking
- Use duffle bags or suitcases to pack in; Trunks are not recommended since there is not a lot of extra room in the cabins



LEAVE AT HOME LIST

- All electronic devices – Cell Phones, Tablets, Radios, CD or MP3 Players, Hand-Held Video Games, Laptop Computers
- Coolers, Candy, Gum, Drinks from Home
- Tight-Fitting or Revealing Shirts, Low-Rider or Hip-Hugger Pants
- Drugs, alcohol, tobacco, e-cigarettes and vaping products
- Skateboards, Rollerblades, Hoverboards, etc.
- Weapons of any kind
- Digital, film, and disposable cameras



ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE INFORMATION

Arrival

Please be here to check-in between 3:00-5:00 pm. As you drive through our gates, you will be greeted by a volunteer. Please tell them the name of the camper(s) you are bringing to camp. If you have paid in full, you will be directed to proceed to the dorm to check in your camper. If you owe a balance, you will be directed to the registration desk in the office where you'll receive your dorm assignment once taking care of final payment.

Our camp nurse will be available in the office if you would like to discuss the health needs of your child. Parents of children with allergies requiring special attention or serious health needs should plan to visit the nurse. At some point during our check-in procedure, we will be doing a head check to avoid any outbreak of lice during camp (pg.14). The Camp Store will be open for any purchases you may want to make with your child.

Departure

Please arrive between 3:00-3:30 pm and go directly to the dorm to check out your camper. Counselors will return all bank monies, medicines, and group photos. They are required to check photo IDs of all persons signing out campers to make sure proper authorization has been given. The Camp Store will be open for any purchases you may want to make with your child.

Campers Attending Multiple Sessions

Campers attending more than one session will follow the same arrival and departure schedule as all campers and go home on the weekend between sessions.

PAYMENTS TO YOUR CAMPER ACCOUNT

Online: Log in to your online account to view your most current invoice and to make payments via credit card.

By Mail: All checks, made out to Camp Dixie, can be mailed to:

373 W. Bladen Union Church Rd.

Fayetteville, NC 28306

If you encounter any problems, please let us know! Call registration at 910-865-5180 or email registration@campdixie.com.

CAMPER HEALTHCARE, INFORMATION, AND MEDS

Forms are completed online making it much easier for you to keep track of where you are in the process! All forms are due at least 1 month prior to your camper's arrival on check-in day.

What online forms do I need to complete prior to camp?

- ***Pickup Authorization Form***

This lets us know who is authorized to pick up your camper from camp. Photo ID's will be checked and names on the authorization list will be verified before we release campers from camp. Unless indicated, both parents listed on registration form will be included on the camper pick-up form. If any of the information changes before camp or you decide to add another name, please let us know.

- ***Health History Form***

This form, completed yearly by a parent, gives us your camper's medical history. This form also gives us permission to provide medical attention for your child while at camp. You can log into your online account at any time to make sure you have completed giving us your camper's current health information including their insurance information.

COMPLETION OF ONLINE CAMPER FORMS

Once you have completed your child's online registration, a list will appear on the right hand side of your screen showing you what online forms you have completed and need to complete for each of your campers. You can save partially completed forms and return to finish them.

Simply log back in to your account and click on "view registration details" to see the list of forms for each of your campers.

Once forms have been sent to us, the word "SUBMITTED" will appear beside the form.

What other forms are required and how do I turn them in?

- ***Healthcare Recommendations Form (Physical)***

Campers must show that they have had a physical exam by a Licensed Medical Professional within 24 months of camp attendance. The Physical Form can be found on our website at www.campdixie.com. Athletic physical forms are accepted by Camp Dixie. Physicals can be uploaded to your online account, mailed, emailed, or faxed.

- ***Immunization Record***

We do not have to collect a copy of your immunization record this year. You will simply have to attest that all immunizations required for school are up to date and include the actual date (month/year) of your child's last tetanus shot. Please contact us with questions or concerns.

For more on immunizations, see page 14.

MEDICATIONS

All medications must be turned in on registration day!

Our nurses will be available to meet with you on registration day to discuss any health concerns you may have concerning your camper. All medicines, prescription or over the counter, are kept and dispensed by the nurses. Our RN's will keep a medical log on every camper who visits the infirmary. Our medicine cabinet is stocked with common generic brands of medicines like Tylenol, Advil, Pepto-Bismol, Sudafed, Sore Throat Lozenges, etc.



Any medicines you send with your child to camp need to be placed in a Ziploc bag. They must be in their original container – do not use a pill organizer or mediplanner. We have to have the actual prescription bottle in order to administer medications.



You will need to fill out a medications form at the registration desk on check-in day or use the one on pg. 17 of this booklet. Please leave your child's bag of medication in the box provided at each cabin on registration day.

If your child has severe asthma, you need to speak with the nurse on registration day to obtain special permission for them to carry the inhaler with them at all times.

CAMPER FINANCES

The Camp Bank

Campers during all sessions of Kids' Camps are required to keep their money in the bank and are not allowed to keep their money in the dorm. Teen Camp campers are encouraged to place their money in the bank for safekeeping but it is not required.



Each camper will have their own bank envelope containing any monies you have given to your camper. You can indicate on the envelope the amount you would like your child to be able to withdraw each day for the Camp Store or vending machines.

If you wait until registration day to set up your child's bank, please bring one dollar bills to place in your child's bank envelope. Campers will have an opportunity to get money each day while in their cabin managed by the counselors. Bank money will be locked up except during bank time.

REMINDER: BANK WILL NOT OPEN UNTIL MONDAY AT NOON. PLEASE LEAVE SOME SPENDING MONEY WITH YOUR CAMPER FOR SUNDAY NIGHT.

Snack and Store Pricing

Our camp store and vending machines sell candy, snack, and ice cream items ranging in price from \$0.50-1.25.

Sodas, water, and vitamin water range in price from \$1.00-1.25.

Souvenir and clothing items range in price from \$0.50-\$25.

Cabin Photo Orders

We will take Cabin Photos on Sunday afternoon. Cost of photo is \$10 and orders must be paid for on or before the Sunday your child arrives at camp, which is check-in day for all camps. On Friday, you can take home an 8x10 color glossy photo of your child's cabin group at camp.

FREE STUFF!!

Camp T-Shirts

All campers will receive a **FREE** Summer Camp theme T-shirt! They will be given out at the end of the week to be worn home.

Summer Camp DVD

Every camper will receive a Summer Camp **FREE** memories DVD that will have highlights and clips from all sessions of camp. No need to order! It will be mailed to you late in the summer!

If you get anxious before receiving your actual DVD in the mail, check our website and Facebook page as we often are able to upload the video for instant online viewing as soon as the videographer is able to give us a finalized copy.

COMMUNICATING WITH YOUR CAMPER

Phone Calls

Campers will not be allowed to make phone calls during the week. With the large number of campers we have, it would be impossible for us to allow them all to call home. Phone calls often create homesickness.

Please do not send a cell phone to camp with your child. As with all electronics, any cell phones that we find will be kept in the office and returned at the end of the week. If you are concerned about your camper, please call the office and we will have their counselor return your call at their first opportunity.

Visits

Please do not make plans to visit your child during the week. As with phone calls, we have found that mid-week visits usually result in homesickness. We promise to call you if your child is experiencing homesickness beyond what is normal. We will not leave them crying for days and make them tough it out. We'll call you and let you help us decide what is in the best interest of your child since you know them better than we do.

Website

Check on your camper each day by visiting our website at www.campdixie.com. We use BUNK1 to manage our photos and emails. See page 19 for details!

You will have the option on our photo page on BUNK 1 to order copies of the photos. Photo orders are paid for and filled by BUNK 1, a private company that provides this service to Camp Dixie.

Mail

You are welcome to send mail to your campers while they are at camp. The camp address is Camp Dixie, W. 373 Bladen Union Church Rd., Fayetteville, NC 28306. Please write the name of the camper and their cabin on the outside of the mail.



E-mail

Due to the high volume of camper emails, we will be receiving email through Bunk1 and you will incur a small fee to send camper emails. Campers will not be able to reply to your email. More information will be available the BUNK 1 site. Please see page 19 for more details!

Care Packages

If you are sending or dropping off a care package for your camper, please be reminded that we try to keep food, snacks, and soft drinks out of the cabins. Please do not send candy and gum in packages to your camper. All packages will be opened in the presence of a counselor and gum and candy will be given to the camper at check-out.



There are many reasons why we enforce this policy, including spills that attract ants, allergies to peanuts, and trying to keep the hyperactivity level down by avoiding sugar late at night!

CAMPER SAFETY & WELL-BEING

Medical Care

There will be two camp nurses on site 24-hours a day to oversee the health needs of our camp family. As outlined under the registration policies, all medications for campers and counselors, both prescription and non-prescription, will be kept in the nurse's station and dispensed by the nurses.



Our nurses will decide whether or not to contact a parent based on the severity of an illness or injury. If there is an illness or injury that necessitates the transport of your child to the doctor or emergency room, we will make every effort to contact you.

Immunizations

Because our camp program has a potential for communicable diseases, we recommend that program participants be appropriately immunized for, at minimum, the following diseases: tetanus, mumps, measles, rubella, pertussis (whooping cough), and diphtheria. Parents of minors who do not have immunizations, for religious or other reasons, will be required to sign a Release and Immunization Exemption Request.

Swimmer Safety

LAKEFRONT: Lifejackets will be worn by all campers and staff for all lake activities: boating, waterslide, and the Blob. During lake activities, there will be two lifeguards on duty in addition to the supervision given to campers by our counseling staff.

POOL: On Monday of camp, campers in Kids' Camps will be given a swim test and assigned a wrist band that will designate their swimming level. Campers will be allowed to swim on Sunday afternoon with extra lifeguards at the pool. At the pool, there are two lifeguards on duty in addition to the counseling staff to ensure camper safety.

Campers with Special Needs

We welcome campers with a wide range of identified special needs. If your camper has an IEP or a 504 Plan in school, please complete the Inclusion Form – Campers with Special Needs. The form can be completed through the online registration system by logging into your parent account.

Once we receive your completed form, our inclusion coordinator will contact you for more information to help us make sure we can meet the needs of your child in the

camp setting. We need to have these forms in our hands by APRIL 15 so that we can reserve the housing and staff support necessary to ensure a positive experience for your child.

Bed Covers

Plastic covers on all our bed mattresses are required by NC Health Department guidelines. To make the bed more comfortable, we recommend that you send a fitted twin-sized sheet to cover the plastic, even if your child is using a sleeping bag. Sheets made of t-shirt material work especially well for this!

Lice Policy

As you prepare your child for summer camp, please take a few minutes to make sure your child does not have head lice. This is easily accomplished by lifting up the hair along the temple, behind the ears, and along the back of the neck. If you find lice, please treat your child and their belongings with products that are available for this purpose. If you know that your child has been exposed to lice at school, it would be wise to go ahead and treat them before camp.

Once again, we will be checking each camper at the dorm for lice. If evidence of lice is found, the camper will be sent to the nurse for confirmation and once confirmed, the camper will need to go home to be treated.

When you return to camp, please bring proof of treatment, i.e. empty box, note from physician, etc.

As with all our medical policies and health procedures, this policy has been put in place to make summer camp a safe and enjoyable experience for all our campers. Thank you in advance for complying with our request. For further information on head lice and proper treatment, go to www.headlice.org.

Hydration

Campers need to drink lots of water at camp in order to stay well hydrated. Many visits to the nurse can be avoided by drinking more water! In addition to having each meal begin with a glass of water, we encourage campers to carry a water bottle with them. Ice and water will be available in the main hallway. Water bottles are available for purchase in the camp store.



Personal Property

We reserve the right to search the personal belongings of campers if we have reason to suspect that they have brought with them prohibited items that could affect the safety or rights of other campers.

Camp Dixie will not be held responsible for personal belongings brought to camp including digital cameras, musical instruments, and athletic gear.

Lost and Found

Labeling your child's clothing and belongings greatly increases our ability to match items with their owners both during their stay and after they've gone home. If you are looking for an easy way to label your child's clothing, you may want to consider ordering online from SIMPLY STUCK (simplystuck.com). Order early to receive your labels before camp! On the last day of camp, please check out the lost and found table located in the parking lot. We will store the lost and found for a few months after camp before donating it to a local clothing shelter.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Elective Skills Classes (Not offered during Kids' Camp #1)

In our camping program, we try to maximize opportunities for counselors to build relationships with campers. One of the ways we do this is by offering between 15-20 skills electives from which campers can choose. These classes are taught once a day by our counseling staff. Some of the classes offered in the past included: basketball, soccer, beach volleyball, 4-square, jewelry-making, dance, sign language, first aid, guitar, photography, camp newspaper, art, and drama. Electives are offered based on the skills of our counselors. A month or so prior to the start of camp, we will notify you that it is time to log back in to your registration account to us know their first and second elective choice. On the first day of camp, you will find out the class in which your camper is enrolled.

Campers enrolled in Photography Class may bring a digital camera, to be kept in the office at all times except during class.

Camp Dixie will not be held responsible for personal equipment brought to camp for skills classes such as digital cameras, musical instruments, and athletic gear. We will make every effort to assist campers by providing a safe place for them to keep their belongings.

Go-carts

Because the State of N.C. has set height guidelines for riding the go-carts that the majority of campers in Kids' Camp #1 do not meet, we are not able to open go-carts during that week of camp. These regulations also prohibit a child riding with a counselor or adult.

Free Time

To ensure the safety and supervision of campers during recreation, "free" time has to have varying degrees of structure based on the age level of the camper. The younger the camper, the more structured his or her free time will be. As Campers get older, they get more choices as to what they want to do during free time.

Medications Form

Please fill out the following information and place it with any medications your child will need during camp in a clear Ziploc bag. **The medications must be in their original containers – do not use a pill organizer.** Bring this form with you to camp and drop off in the box provided at the cabin. Do not mail form or medications!

NAME _____

Allergies: _____

Med #1 _____ Dosage _____

Specific times taken each day _____

Reason for taking _____

Med #2 _____ Dosage _____

Specific times taken each day _____

Reason for taking _____

Med #3 _____ Dosage _____

Specific times taken each day _____

Reason for taking _____

Write name of camper with a black permanent marker on outside of bag.

Reminder!! We do not allow any prescription medications or over-the-counter meds to be kept by campers. If your child has severe asthma, you need to speak with the nurse on registration day to obtain special permission for them to carry their inhaler with them at all times.

To limit your registration time at check-in, have this form already completed and inside a marked Ziploc bag.



KEEP UP WITH CAMP ALL SUMMER LONG!

See what's happening this summer with the **Camp Dixie** private photo gallery, then send messages using Bunk Notes. Your note will be delivered to the camp within 24 hours. No need to wait for snail mail: Bunk1 makes it easy to communicate with your child. Follow Bunk1 on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) for the latest updates and deals!

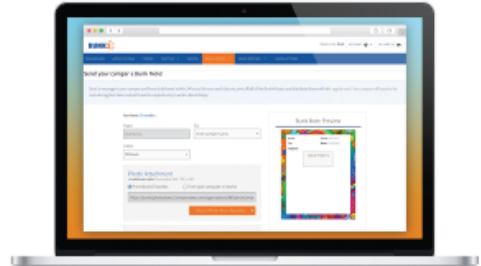
GET STARTED TODAY!

- Go to www.Bunk1.com
 - **RETURNING PARENTS** will login using their email address and password.
 - **NEW PARENTS** will click "[Need an account or have an invitation code?](#)" and complete the basic form. The Invitation Code for **Camp Dixie** is: XXXXXXXXXX
- You will be prompted to select a bundle for access to your Parent Portal. Bundles include credits for you to send Bunk Notes and enhance your notes with borders, photos, sports scores, and puzzles.

SENDING BUNK NOTES

Send Bunk Notes day or night! Your camp receives a pdf at **11am & 4pm EST** each day containing all Bunk Notes received in the last 24 hours.

On the go? Purchase **Bunk Notes Express** and receive a unique email address for your camper. Simply send your camper an email and have it delivered as a Bunk Note.



SECURE SUMMER PHOTO GALLERY

Save Favorite Photos for easy access to pictures of your camper all year-round.

Share Photos to social media or email a photo to family & friends.

Customize Unique Photo Gifts such as photo books, mugs, calendars, phone cases and more.

Order high resolution digital downloads or prints.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

Can other relatives use these services? Absolutely! In your **Quick Links** you'll select **Invite Family Members**, enter their details and they will be sent an email. **PLEASE NOTE** this will prompt them to set up their own account. It does not provide them access to your account OR your Bunk Note Credits.

Questions or Problems? The Bunk1 team is available to support you 7 days a week during peak season. They guarantee a response within 24 hours and it's usually much quicker than that. Please call Bunk1 at 1-888-465-2267 or email support@bunk1.com.

For all the latest FAQ's related to the services above, visit www.bunk1family.com/faqs



CAMP DIXIE - FAMILY CAMP WEEKEND

FRIDAY – SUNDAY, AUGUST 31 – SEPT 2, 2018 (LABOR DAY WEEKEND)

Imagine a weekend away with the family in a setting where there's something to make everyone happy!

- No jumping back in the car to drive here or there because everything is onsite.
- No digging out your wallet for every added attraction because all the recreation and activities are included.
- No decisions about where to eat because meals are included.

We think you'll find the price very affordable with a variety of lodging options to consider. There's even an option to cut lodging cost in half by sharing a cabin with another family. Whatever options you choose, you can be sure that your weekend will be packed with fun and adventure, new friendships and the kinds of great experiences you've come to expect from Camp Dixie!

More information at
www.campdixie.com

“Family Camp Weekend was a great opportunity for us to have shared experiences with our own family and build our relationship with other families.

The safe, Christian environment allowed our children to have some independence in choosing activities. The kid- friendly worship supported the truths we are trying to keep at the center of our family.”

