



## **We've decided to attend Associational Children's Camp in 2019.**

### **What do we do now?**

1. All adult sponsors over 18 years of age must have a background check. For more information see the ACC website.
2. Secure a cabin. Call Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center @ 580-369-2101 for a list of available cabins or go to this link on the SKOPOS website to get cabin information: <http://skopos.org/falls creek/#/falls creek/cabins>
3. Go to the "INFO" tab on this website and print or download all documents. You will need Adobe PDF reader to open these; there is a free link to download it if you don't already have it. Please download and carefully read ALL of these documents as you will need each one before or during camp.  
THIS SHOULD BE DONE ONE-TWO MONTHS PRIOR TO CAMP!
4. Among the documents you will be downloading are the Cabin Bible Study Materials, please review these with your sponsors ahead of camp.
5. When you arrive at camp (2:00 – 5:00 p.m.), go to the Mathena Event Center (MEC) to register. (no registration between 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.) After 6:00 p.m. & for the remainder of the Camp, registration will be located in the MEC. Bring the following to Registration:
  - a. **Registration Sheet (one for EACH church even if multiple churches are staying in one cabin).**
  - b. **Cash or Check (Please make checks out to ACC and not to Falls Creek) for \$45.00 for each person in your cabin (including all campers, cooks, & sponsors) {Oklahoma SBC Churches}, or {\$65.00 for non-Oklahoma SBC Churches},**  
**ACC DOES NOT ACCEPT CREDIT CARDS**
  - c. **TWO copies of a completed Release Form (see download page) for everyone in the cabin. \*\*Please help us speed the process by alphabetizing these forms. (Please do not separate Sponsor & Camper forms, alphabetize them all together) Thanks!**
6. As you register, you will be provided additional information regarding Encourager and Usher Training, Recreation, Swimming, and other Special Information.
7. If you have any questions regarding any aspect of Associational Children's Camp or would like to offer input, please call or email  
ACC Director Preston Collins at (405) 321-0864 or [prestonc@swbell.net](mailto:prestonc@swbell.net) or  
Business Manager Gary Dempsey at (580) 795-5584 or [dom@jmba.org](mailto:dom@jmba.org).

## DAILY SCHEDULE

First Day	Second Day	Third Day	Last Day
2:00.....Begin Arrival	7:45-8:45 .....Breakfast & Quiet Time	7:45-8:45 ..... Breakfast & Quiet Time	7:45-8:45..... Breakfast & Quiet Time
2:00..Registration Begins			
2:00-5:00... Time to Swim All Girls-Entry Pool All Boys-Baptist Lake		8:45-9:30 .....NT/OT Studies	8:45-9:00 ..... Break & Transition to Worship
5:00-6:45..... Supper Prep for Worship	8:45-9:30 ..... NT/OT Studies	9:57 ..... Worship in Tabernacle	9:00 .....Worship in Tabernacle
6:00..... Choir Practice In Tabernacle	9:57 ..... Worship in Tabernacle	12:00 .....Lunch	
6:00..... Usher Meeting In Tabernacle Foyer	12:00 ..... Lunch	1:00-5:00 ..... Recreation Games at Riverfront Swimming All Girls-Entry Pool All Boys-Baptist Lake	
7:00-8:00.....Worship in Tabernacle	1:00-5:00 .....Recreation Games at Riverfront Swimming All Girls-Baptist Lake All Boys-Entry Pool	1:00-3:30 ..... MissionFest	
8:00-9:30.....Free Time		5:00-6:45 ..... Supper Prep for Worship	
9:30-10:00..... Cabin Devotions		6:00 ..... Choir Practice In Tabernacle	
	5:00-6:45 .....Supper Prep for Worship	7:00-8:00 ..... Worship in Tabernacle	
	6:00 .....Choir Practice In Tabernacle	8:00-9:30 ..... Free Time	
	7:00-8:00 ..... Worship in Tabernacle	9:30-10:00 ..... Cabin Devotions	
	8:00-9:30 .....Free Time		
	9:30-10:00 ..... Cabin Devotions		

## SPECIAL MEETINGS

- There will be a meeting for Ushers at 6:00 p.m. by the waterfalls in the front foyer of the Tabernacle on the first day of camp. Each church is expected to provide at least one or more sponsors to serve in each position.
- Encourager training and enlistment will be done from the stage following the ACC Worship Service the first night of camp. Each church is asked to provide at least one Encourager.

## Associational Children's Camp Decision Service Guide

Life changing spiritual decisions are the main reason for Associational Children's Camp. A team effort is necessary to provide the best possible assistance to all who respond to the invitations at ACC. The Camp Pastor will deliver a clear message of God's invitation and volunteers will serve as Encouragers and Pastor Advisors. There will be no invitation at the first worship service of each camp. Training for Encouragers and Pastor Advisors will be provided immediately following the first worship service of camp. Each child who responds to an invitation and completes decision counseling should be greeted by a

sponsor from their cabin to escort them safely and rejoice with them in their life changing spiritual decision.

## **Encouragers**

Encouragers may be responsible adults from any cabin. Each church is asked to provide at least one Encourager. Personal Commitment Guides will be provided for use by the Encouragers with each child responding to the invitation. It is vital that Encouragers fill in all information on the tear off portion of the Personal Commitment Guide. This information will be returned to the church for continued follow-up with the child.

Encouragers have responsibility for helping the child come to a clear understanding of the nature of his or her decision. This is accomplished by listening to the child, sharing Scripture, offering needed explanations, and prayer. If unforeseen issues arise requiring more than simple guidance in completing a spiritual commitment, please take the child to a Pastor Advisor for more in-depth assistance.

When the child has prayed and expressed their personal commitment the Encourager will mark the decision and tear off the portion of the Personal Commitment Guide containing the child's information. Give the Personal Commitment Guide to the child and take the child along with the personal information to a Pastor Advisor. Hand the tear off portion to the Pastor Advisor and introduce the child. Remain with the child, but allow the child to interact directly with the Pastor Advisor. Following their discussion with the Pastor Advisor, help the child locate someone from their cabin so they can return safely to their church cabin.

## **Pastor Advisors**

Pastor Advisors may be a Pastor, Staff Member or a spiritually mature adult from any cabin. Pastor Advisors will make their way to the front of the Tabernacle as children are responding to the Invitation. Pastor Advisors will assist children in following the directions given from the platform as they move to the counseling areas. Pastor Advisors assist in pairing up children with an Encourager. Pastor Advisors need to be alert to needs of both children and Encouragers throughout the counseling time. Encouragers will bring the child to a Pastor Advisor when they have completed their decision counseling or when the Encourager needs assistance with a more complicated issue. When there is special situation the Pastor Advisor may need to take over talking with the boy or girl about their individual difficulty. When the Encourager has been able to assist the child with a spiritual decision the Pastor Advisor will ask the child to express in their own words the decisions they have just made. Pastor Advisors will encourage and pray with the children. This is a time to rejoice with the child about a life changing spiritual decision and provide them with some "next steps" i.e. tell an adult in their cabin, baptism, daily devotion time and prayer. Pastor Advisor will also be responsible for double-checking the written information. It is essential that the child's name, name of the church, and the cabin number all be clearly indicated on the tear off portion. These tear off portions will be returned to each church so every child can have appropriate follow up from their own church sponsors and Pastor.

## **Sponsors**

A sponsor is a high school graduate, or older, who has come with his/her church to serve as a guide, chaperone, mentor, etc. There should be at least one sponsor for every 10 children, being sure there are adequate sponsors for both girls and boys. The duties of a sponsor include:

- Read and be familiar with all camp guidelines, rules, and schedules.

- Inform children (at cabin meeting) of these rules and schedules.
- Help children be on time for scheduled events.
- Sit with children during worship services and help them to focus. Eternal matters are at stake.
- Accompany children to and from all venues to assure their safety.

### **Ushers**

Each church group is asked to provide at least one usher for the week. Ushers are responsible for taking the offering. As previously noted, there will be a short usher meeting at 6:00 p.m. by the waterfalls in the front foyer of the Tabernacle on the first day of camp.

### **MissionFest Volunteers**

MissionFest is conducted on the third day of camp from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. We need volunteers who will sign-up at registration to assist missionaries with their interactive displays and items to be given away. The MissionFest is located at the Mathena Event Center.

## **MUSIC INFO**

### **Camp Choir**

All campers are invited to sing in the choir each evening. We rehearse every evening at 6:00 p.m. in the choir loft. Please send a couple of adults or mature teenage sponsors with your kids who sing in the choir. This is a unique opportunity to hear 300 campers and sponsors sing our Lord's praises!

## **RECREATION**

Sign-up will occur on the first day of camp until 10:00 p.m. accepting registration for Kickball and Volleyball. Please note that only sponsors may register their teams. Recreation schedules will be posted on the front door of the MEC beginning the second day of camp. Teams must be ready to play by their game time. If they are not ready, game time is forfeit time.

Upon the advice of the Children's Worker Advisory Council, each team that signs up will play only one game per day. It will not be a competitive tournament. This will allow each cabin to plan their daily activities better eliminating the "unknown" element of tournament timing.

## Co-Ed Kickball

All teams will field 10 players. Each team should have an equal number of girls and boys (more girls are ok).

## Co-Ed Volleyball

Teams may play with 6-8 players. Competing teams must have the same number of players and each team must have the same number of girls and boys playing at all times. No officials will be provided.

## Wild and Crazy Recreation

Participant groups of 10-15 children with an adult leader will be assigned an activity location. These assignments will be made through the Falls Creek office daily. These activities will be directed and led by the Recreation Staff. The games will last approximately 45 minutes to an hour. The purpose of these games is to provide a non-competitive, compliment-giving, compliment-getting, fun-filled group time.

## Swimming

First Day:	Second Day:	Third Day:
2:00–5:00 All Girls ( <i>Entry Pool</i> )	1:00–5:00 All Girls ( <i>Baptist Lake</i> )	1:00–5:00 All Girls ( <i>Entry Pool</i> )
2:00–5:00 All Boys ( <i>Baptist Lake</i> )	1:00–5:00 All Boys ( <i>Entry Pool</i> )	1:00–5:00 All Boys ( <i>Baptist Lake</i> )

## Swimming Information

- As weather permits, swimming will be available for all campers each afternoon during recreation time.
- While going to and from the swimming areas all campers must wear shoes; men must wear a t-shirt, and ladies must wear a long covering over their swimming suits. Knee length garments must be worn by all campers and sponsors to and from the swimming area. Those not following this rule will be asked to return to the cabin for proper attire.
- Modest swimming suits are appropriate while swimming. A dark t-shirt must be worn over two-piece swimming suits. Men should not wear tight fitting swimming suits.
- Lifeguards are responsible for safety and discipline. Anyone not observing the rules will be asked to leave the swimming area.
- There will be no running, shoving, or pushing in the swimming area.
- Each swimmer is responsible for his/her belongings. Swimmers should go directly to and from the swimming area (and not by way of the concession stands). There should be no need to carry money to the swimming area. All valuables should be left with someone at the cabin.
- Adult sponsors may swim with the group of their gender.

## Skating

- The Skate Park will be open from 2:00 – 5:00 on the first day of camp and 1:00 – 5:00 on the second and third day.
- Due to safety concerns, skaters are expected to obey the workers in that area.
- Each camper who would like to skateboard should bring their own equipment. Equipment must include skateboard, helmet, and kneepads. These will be inspected by the staff at the skate park prior to skating.
- Skateboards must be checked in and out with the Recreation Staff at the Skate Park. (Make sure you have your name on your skateboard).
- Some elements will be limited to those that are age-appropriate for our camp.

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

### **Attire**

The Falls Creek dress code is designed to provide an equitable dress code for all campers, encouraging modesty above legalism. Parents and church leaders are urged to see that only clothing which meets the policies and regulations of the conference center (below) is brought to Falls Creek.

Since Falls Creek is a Christian camp with a distinctly Christian atmosphere, the New Testament principle of modesty should always be the standard for dress at Falls Creek. It is the responsibility of the sponsors from each church to model the standard of modesty and enforce the camp dress code.

While on Falls Creek grounds campers may not wear apparel that exposes the midriff, is extremely tight fitting or has writing on the back of pants or shorts. Apparel may not display or promote tobacco, alcohol, controlled substances or inappropriate language or pictures. All shorts and dresses should be modest length. At Falls Creek, modest shorts are generally defined as shorts that have at least a five inch inseam or longer and dresses and skirts should be four inches from the top of the knee or longer. Slits in dresses and skirts should also be modest in length. Straps for shirts/tops must have at least three inches across the shoulder. Shoes and shirts must be worn at all times outside cabins, except while swimming.

### **Courtesy Patrols**

Courtesy Patrols will be on duty 24 hours a day. They are authorized and instructed to answer questions, assist campers and sponsors, and enforce all rules and policies of the camp. Any Courtesy Patrol, when called upon, will assist adult leadership in dealing with discipline problems.

### **Traffic**

Please feel free to use vehicles to transport children to far away locations but please drive very carefully. Also, please note that Falls Creek Regulations prohibit riding in the beds of pickups.

### **Mail**

Mail addressed to Falls Creek should use the following form:

Name of Camper  
Name of Church staying with  
Name of Cabin staying in  
Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center  
Davis, OK. 73030

### **Repairs/Cabin Questions**

Each cabin is responsible for its own repairs. If renting from another church, be sure to notify them of all damages and repairs, unless other arrangements have been made. There are many repair services in Davis and Sulphur who will come to Falls Creek. The Falls Creek Office can help you locate these numbers.

### **First Aid Station**

Please download and read the separate 2019 First Aid Information document. Campers going to First Aid station must be accompanied by a sponsor.

### **Miscellaneous**

Rock throwing, water fighting, shave cream fighting, and use of tobacco are not allowed. Fireworks, scooters, bicycles and skateboards (except for those stored with the skate park) are prohibited.

## **INCLEMENT WEATHER**

The following plan is for Inclement Weather during summer camps.

1. During times of potential inclement weather, the weather is monitored by the leadership staff of Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center via media outlets and computer. Communication is also maintained with local law enforcement and emergency management officials to monitor the weather.
2. When inclement weather is approaching emergency sirens will be sounded to inform campers to return to their cabins. Falls Creek Courtesy staff will assist in communicating to the campers to return to the cabins and the individual groups in accounting for campers.
3. In the event of severe weather, at the sound of one continuous siren, campers are to move immediately to the nearest cabin or building, get in the innermost room on the bottom floor, and wait until the "all-clear" signal is sounded. The "all-clear" signal will be when the siren repeatedly goes on, then off. Falls Creek Courtesy staff will assist campers in returning to their group and the individual groups in accounting for their campers.