



RED SHIELD YOUTH CENTER

2026

Summer Day Camp Program



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The Summer Program at The Salvation Army Ken Carlson Red Shield Youth Center differs from the School Year Program. Summer is a time of fun and relaxation for children, and it provides an atmosphere that allows learning yet emphasizes "fun and recreation". Although the days are structured, boys and girls have more time to visit with each other and to make new friends.

It is the desire of the staff of The Salvation Army Ken Carlson Red Shield Youth Center to provide the greatest summer possible for your son or daughter. To ensure a smooth running and safe program, we do have rules and guidelines that must be followed. These guidelines are outlined in this packet. **If you have any questions, please feel free to call Sylvia Adams, Executive Director or Yvonne Floyd, Site Director at The Salvation Army Ken Carlson Red Shield Youth Center at (336) 788-6563.**

The Salvation Army Ken Carlson Red Shield Youth Center Staff:

Sylvia Adams, Executive Director

Yvonne Floyd, Site Director

Steven Nivens, Program Manager

Deedee Caldwell, Membership Clerk

The Salvation Army Youth Center will be closed on Monday, May 25th for Memorial Day and on Tuesday, May 26th through Friday, May 29th for Staff Training and Planning Friday, June 19th for Juneteenth and Friday, July 3rd for the 4th of July Holiday

Monday, June 1st is the first day of the Summer Program, Friday, August 7th is the last day

We will be closed on Monday, August 10th through Friday, August 14th for Staff Vacation

Center Hours/Late Fees

The Summer Program at The Salvation Army Ken Carlson Red Shield Youth Center hours are from 7:30 am until 5:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Late fees will be charged at the rate of \$5.00 every 5 minutes beginning at 5:35 pm with \$5.00 added every 5-minute interval thereafter. Late fees must be paid in full before the Center member is allowed to return to the Center. No exceptions!

(Example: If a member is picked up at 5:35 pm - the late fee will be \$5.00 - If the member is picked up at 5:40 pm - the late fee will be \$10.00 – If a member is picked up at 5:45 pm - the late fee will be \$15.00 and so on.

Registration

The Salvation Army Ken Carlson Red Shield Youth Center membership applications as well as fees must be paid online: Please go to OLR parent portal link:

<https://online.traxsolutions.com/southernusasalvationarmy/winston-salem#/dashboard> to fill out your application and make your payment.

Membership Prices

Summer Fees: **\$600.00 per child** **NO REFUNDS: ALL FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE**

Parents, please note that WellCare of North Carolina does not cover Summer Memberships

Check In- Mornings & Evenings



Each member must check in at the front desk each morning upon arrival and check out when leaving.

Illness



Should your son or daughter experience nausea, cramps, fever, stomachache, etc., before leaving home, which will mean that they are unable to participate in scheduled activities, please let them stay home for the day.

Medication



Please note that We Do Not administer medication.

Visitors

No visitors are allowed during the Summer Program. (No Center members are allowed to bring guests to the Summer Program)
NO EXCEPTIONS!

Discipline

In order to make The Salvation Army Ken Carlson Red Sheild Youth Center a safe and happy place for all members, we have certain rules that must be followed. The basis for these rules is included in the "Code of Conduct" that is attached to your application. These are very important. No set of rules could be all-inclusive, but these are fairly comprehensive. Most importantly, all Center members must treat the staff, other members, and the Center with respect. Failure to do so will result in suspension.

The normal procedure for discipline is:

- (1) Two Verbal Write Ups
- (2) Two Written Write Ups
- (3) Suspension

However, certain behaviors may result in automatic suspension:

- Cursing
- Leaving the Center without permission
- Fighting
- Disrespect for Staff

Suspension from the Center for any reason may disqualify your daughter or son from a special upcoming event. If we continue to have a problem with your son's or daughter's behavior - their membership will be **revoked WITHOUT REFUND.**

If you have any questions at anytime about suspension or discipline, please feel free to call the Executive Director or Site Director.

Drop off and Pick Up



Parents, please note that we do not provide transportation during our summer program - We are not able to pick up or drop off Center members at their homes).

Due to problems in the past with children "watching out" or leaving with someone not designated on the application form, our policy regarding "pick up" is as follows: No child will be allowed to "watch out" or stand outside waiting for a parent. The parent or guardian, who is designated on the application form as being authorized to pick up the member, must come inside. There will be no exceptions.

Should your daughter or son need to ride the bus each day or walk home each day, written permission on the application form must be signed by the parent or guardian explaining the circumstances and giving permission for the member to ride the bus or walk home. Your daughter or son will be responsible for seeing that she or he leaves the building on time. Before they leave each day, she or he must sign out at the front desk. If there is any other person authorized to pick up your child, please call the Center and give us that person's name and telephone number. The person picking up your child must have some form of identification.

Dropping off at The Salvation Army Ken Carlson Red Shield Youth Center prior to the Center Opening.

The Salvation Army Ken Carlson Red Shield Youth Center is not responsible for the safety of any girls or boys who are dropped off at the Center prior to 7:30 AM each morning. No staff members are present until 7:30 AM.

Telephone Calls



No girl or boy will be allowed to accept telephone calls during the day. Only in emergency situations will messages be given to the members. Emergency messages must be given to a Staff member.

EMERGENCY MESSAGES DO NOT INCLUDE: "WHO IS PICKING UP WHOM?" This means that all girls or boys must know before they come to the Center in the morning, how they are getting home, and where they are to go when the Center closes. Our summer registration involves over 100 girls and boys. It is impossible for staff to handle calls for each member. Again, no member will be allowed to accept phone calls and staff members will accept only **EMERGENCY MESSAGES. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Cell Phone Policy



The Salvation Army Ken Carlson Red Shield Youth Center members are allowed to be on their cell phones during morning arrival 7:30am-8:45am, Lunch 11:00am-1:00pm and Snack 3:00-3:30pm. If your child is caught on their cell phone outside of the times listed above, staff will lock the phone up until the end of the day. If your child brings their cell phone, we are not responsible if the phone is lost, damaged or stolen. It is your child's responsibility to keep up with their phones. While here at the center, we want your child to engage with the different activities planned by staff and to interact with their peers as well. Parents, please note that youth aren't allowed to take pictures or videos at the Youth Center.

Outdoor Activities



During each day, all members will participate in outdoor activities. These activities are never over 60 minutes in duration. All girls and boys are given sufficient time to get water to drink and to go to the bathroom before and after activities. Boys and Girls will not be allowed to leave the group and come back into the building during outdoor activities. If your daughter or son is unable to go outside in the sun - then they must remain at home.

The weather is checked and if there is a code orange day, no one goes outside after lunch.

Stay Away Camp



Any Salvation Army Ken Carlson Red Shield Youth Center Member who's 7-13 years old, will have an opportunity to attend our stay away camp, Camp Walter Johnson in Denton, North Carolina. The fee for CWJ is \$125.00. The dates for CWJ will be Monday, June 29 through Saturday, July 4, 2026.

Lunch and Snacks



Lunch and Snacks will be provided. Starting Date TBA.

Winston-Salem Forsyth County Schools will provide lunches again this year. Starting Date TBA. Lunches from home must be in paper sacks with the name and age of your child on the sack. **Do not send food that must be microwaved or refrigerated, as we do not have the facility or staff to manage these items.** If lunches require utensils, they must be brought from home. However, **no knives will be tolerated.** All girls and boys that will be bringing their lunches must have them when they come in during the morning. **No phone calls will be made regarding lunches.**

Equipment and Games



Replacement of any lost or broken equipment will be the responsibility of the parent of member who broke the equipment.

Field Trips

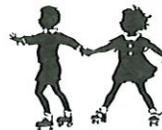
Field Trip information will be distributed at a later date.



Movies



Bowling



Skating

Shoes and Clothing

All girls and boys must wear comfortable clothing to the Center that will not be harmed by playing and getting dirty. No one will be allowed in the Club with open-toe shoes or sandals. **Tennis shoes are the best for summer fun!**



Yes



Center Closings / Special Dates



Closed: Monday, May 25th for Memorial Holiday



Closed: Tuesday, May 26 through Friday, May 29, 2026, for Staff Training and Planning

Closed: Friday, June 19th for Juneteenth Holiday



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The last day of the Summer Program is Friday, August 7, 2026



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