

## 2024 Camper Information Sheet (Keep this for your reference)

**Getting Here** (989 Hardin Wadesboro Rd, Hardin, KY 42048)

**From South**— travel approximately 10 miles north on Highway 641. Turn left on Hardin Wadesboro Road. Go 1/2 mile and turn left into The Hill (brick entrance). Follow the gravel road through the woods until you reach the retreat center.

**From North** — travel south on Highway 641. Travel 3/4 mile past the traffic light at the intersection of Highway 641 and Highway 402. Turn right on Hardin Wadesboro Road. Go 1/2 mile and turn left into The Hill (brick entrance). Follow the gravel road through the woods until you reach the retreat center.

### When To Arrive

Both camps begin at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday and will end at 10:30 a.m. on following Saturday. (Camp 1—June 9-15, Camp 2—July 14-20) Camp registration begins at 3 p.m. on Sunday in the General Store, just inside the entrance on the right. We will provide a light evening meal for the campers and counselors on Sunday around 5:30 p.m. If you should need to arrive earlier than 2:00 p.m. on Sunday please call us for arrangements. We would appreciate, however, no arrivals before 2:00 p.m.

### What to Wear

*For the benefit of the campers and the counselors*, clothing items not allowed at camp include any apparel that is disruptive to the normal operation of the camp. Clothing is to be modest and should be in good taste. The final decision on “good taste” rests with the camp Staff. All campers are required to wear safe and appropriate footwear for each activity.

As a general guideline, tops/shirts should not display unwholesome wording or images, should not be short enough to reveal skin at the waist during normal activities and should not be cut low enough in the front or under the arms or be thin enough to be considered revealing. Shorts should be at least mid-thigh length or longer. Please don't consider this legalism—these boundaries are to protect you and others at camp.

The camp director reserves the right to send home any youth, who according to the camp director's discretion, chooses not to remedy or correct a personal item or clothing problem. If a camper is dismissed due to one of these issues, the tuition is not refundable.

### What to Bring

- Pillow
- Sleeping bag or linens and blanket for a twin mattress
- Towels and washcloths
- Personal items such as soap, toothpaste, shampoo, etc.
- Casual clothing such as jeans, shorts, t-shirts, etc.
- At least three sets of clothing that you don't mind getting dirty (or ruined)
- A pair of leather or heavy gardening work gloves (a must if you intend to participate in some projects)
- A pair of shoes suitable for outdoor work (they will very likely get dirty)
- Notebook
- Pens or pencils
- Bible
- Sunscreen and hat
- Reusable water bottle

### What Not to Bring

*For the benefit of the campers and the counselors*, **personal items not allowed at camp include** cell phones or other portable electronic communication devices, portable music or video players, tablets, computers, etc. and weapons (pocket knives, etc.) or explosives of any kind. If any of these items are brought to camp, the item will be given to a counselor and returned at the end of camp. **Campers who deliberately hide their phone in order to keep it during camp will be sent home.** No refund will be provided.

**It is recommended that parents call the camp office at (270) 437-4172 in order to communicate with their youth if needed.** The camp staff will answer this phone directly, or check the answering machine hourly for any messages. **Cell phones will be temporarily returned to campers if a camper must communicate with family, work, or during an emergency. In case of emergency where immediate contact with your youth is required, please call Jenelle Schimpf at (615) 295-9185 or Brent Armstrong at (270) 293-1223.**

## **Medications**

All prescription medications must be turned over to the camp nurse at check-in. Over-the-counter medications and medications for certain conditions may be kept by the camper with camp nurse approval. Please bring all medications in their original containers.

## **Zero Tolerance Policy**

Campers are not permitted to leave their dormitory after lights out time without counselor supervision. Doing so will result in dismissal from camp. Drug or alcohol use during camp will not be tolerated and will result in dismissal from camp. Sexual or physical harassment cannot be allowed and will result in dismissal. No refund will be given in any case where the camper deliberately disregarded camp policy.

## **General Store Snack Bar**

The General Store will be open during afternoon free time for campers to purchase snacks. This is purely optional since they will be well fed while here; but if you wish for them to take advantage of it, they will need to bring funds to cover that expense. \$20 should be sufficient for the week. More than that is not encouraged.

## **Refund of Camp Fees**

Unless a camper has been dismissed from camp due to the above reasons, refunds for cancellation of summer camp registration will be issued upon receipt of WRITTEN NOTIFICATION according to the following criteria: those received more than seven (7) days before the first day of camp—\$280, seven (7) or less days before camp—\$250, on or after the day camp begins—\$150.

## **Schedule**

Aside from the first and last day, the schedule stays pretty uniform: Morning Devotions 7:30-8:00, Breakfast 8:00-9:00, Morning Session 9:00-10:00, Service Projects 10:00-12:30, Lunch 12:30-1:30, Free Time 1:30-4:00, Conversation Groups 4:00-5:30, Supper 5:30-6:30, Evening Sessions 6:30-9:00, Free Time 9:00-9:45, Small Groups 9:45-11:00, Lights Out 11:00.

## **Visitor Policy**

To ensure the safety and security of camp and retreat attendees under the age of nineteen, The Hill at BASIC Training has implemented a visitor policy effective June 2021.

All our staff members and volunteers require a background check and training before participating in events designated for this age group. It would negate our efforts to ensure the safety of our campers and retreat attendees if visitors are allowed without setting guidelines. It is not our intention to initiate a rule to keep folks away. But, we take our responsibility to all event participants seriously.

No visitors are permitted during youth events except under the conditions listed below. This includes past camp participants, boyfriends and girlfriends of campers, extended family members of campers and other adults who have not applied and been approved for volunteer service on The Hill.

### Permitted Visitors

1. Parents and siblings of campers may visit during camp between the hours of 1:00 pm and 4:00 pm, provided their visit is pre-arranged with one of the camp/facility directors. A parent must accompany any camper siblings under the age of 18. Unfortunately, we cannot allow family friends or unrelated friends of campers to attend these visits.
2. Pastors and youth ministers of campers may also visit, provided arrangements are made with The Hill staff members in advance.
3. Families and business owners/managers who provide off-campus work sites for summer camp service projects may join us for meals and or visits if arrangements are made with camp/facility directors at least two hours before arrival.
4. Spouses of camp teachers, camp worship leaders, and other camp volunteers are welcome to join us for meals and sessions provided the staff is made aware of the intent to participate. Again, two hours notice is required.

No camper is allowed to leave the premises with a visitor without prior approval from the camp director. If permitted to leave, the camper must check in with the camp director upon return.

Arrangement for visits may be made by calling Jenelle Schimpf at 615-295-9185, Andrew Porterfield at 615-881-2028, Brent Armstrong at 270-293-1223, or Kim Warren at 270-832-2640.

**Upon arrival at the property, all visitors must immediately check in at the Kitchen of the Manna House.**