

## 2025 COVE CHRISTIAN CAMP CAMPER INFORMATION

On behalf of the camp directors, the management team and the board of directors of Cove Christian Camp, we are SO excited to have your child at our camp this year. To help them have the best possible experience, following is some important information.

1. **Registration begins at 5 pm on the first day of camp.** Please DO NOT drop off your child before you check-in with your child at the registration desk. You or your child's guardian or person authorized by you to bring your child must go through the check-in process before leaving. This is for your child's safety. At times we need more information than what is provided on the registration form and it is VERY important that you talk with the camp nurse if your child brings medications. **Early drop-offs are not allowed;** camp staff are in training in the afternoon and won't be available any sooner.

2. **On the final day, camp for grades 3 & 4 ends at noon; grades 5 & 6 ends at 10am; K - 2 Camp ends at 2pm.** Please do not be late. Campers will not be released before these times unless a written notice from you (or someone you authorized on your registration form) is provided in advance. The reason for this is two-fold: (1) The kids have clean-up responsibilities they cannot complete if they leave early. (2) We close camp with a "Closing Circle" experience that is very important to the kids.

**K – 2 Camp NOTE:** You also have the option, if you believe that your child is not yet ready to camp overnight:

- You may pick your camper up at 8pm and drop them off again at 8am each day, or
- You may camp overnight with your child.
  - If you choose this option, you will need to complete the background check process so please get in touch with the camp director at least one week prior to the first day of camp if you would like to stay.

3. Appointments during the week: If your child has an appointment or other commitment during camp, please bring a written note indicating the time they will be leaving, who will pick them up, and when we should expect them to return. Again, this is for your child's safety.

Also, for your child's safety: **Make sure you notify the camp director if there is a change in the person(s) authorized to pick up your child.** Please call the director or the camp nurse directly. We will not send your child home with someone you didn't authorize.

### What they will be learning:

This year's camp theme is 'GROW!'

We will be focusing on:

1. The process by which healthy things grow.
2. How to navigate through the Bible and become familiar with the books of the Bible.
3. How we got the Bible that we have today (to build confidence that the Bible today is still God's Word without error).
4. The Bible as God's word to us and our responsibility as Christians to use God's word in how we decide what is right and wrong and make life's decisions.
5. How to become a Christian; that it is only through Jesus that anyone can have salvation from the penalty of sin.

### **Writing Letters - Sending Gifts:**

**We encourage you to send mail to your camper(s).** To ensure delivery, send them at least 3 days before the last day of camp OR give letters to the camp director at registration time.

Address letters to: Child's Name, 68405 Mill Creek Lane | Cove, OR 97824

**No Visitors** are allowed during the week without permission of the director, because of the difficulty it causes in meal planning and camp continuity. It also necessitates additional security requirements.

## **To prepare your child for camp**

### **WHAT TO BRING:**

- Bible and pen or pencil – we supply teaching materials
- Bug Spray
- Sunscreen (30 spf or higher)
- TENNIS SHOES -- flip flops are not shoes. Kids must have tennis shoes. It limits what activities they can do when they don't have proper shoes. Flip Flops are only to be worn to the shower or the swimming pool.
- Sleeping bag & pillow
- Toothbrush and paste
- Towel, Underwear & Socks for as many days as camp is scheduled
- Swimsuit – Girls: two-piece swim suits must be covered with a t-shirt. We will plan to swim 2-3 times at the Cove Public Pool during the week.
- Long sleeve shirt or windbreaker (sometimes it gets cool at night around the campfire)
- 1-2 pair pants
- Play shorts (the weather will probably be hot)
- Hat – optional
- Camera - optional
- **Medicine – must be in the container it came in.** Do not put pills in any other container. Put all medicine in a ziplock bag with the child's name on the bag and any special instructions for taking medicine in the bag. You will meet with the camp nurse as part of our registration process to explain medications, allergies, bedwetting, anxiety issues, etc.

### **MONEY**

1. \$10 will allow them to purchase one candy item per day and share some for our missions focus. If you would like to send more with your child, you are welcome to do so. If you wish, \$20-30 will be plenty.
2. One of my staff will be "the banker." The kids will turn in their money to the banker during registration. The banker will keep the camper's money and keep record of how much each spends each day. Any money left over at the end of camp will be returned to the camper.

### **DO NOT BRING**

- Knives
- Sharp objects
- Electronics (gameboys, radios, mp3 players etc.) Our focus is to minimize distractions and complaints of losing item or "someone stole it."
- Tobacco
- Any form of street drugs (legal or not)
- Alcohol

NOTE: Youth campers (grades 7–12) are allowed to bring cell phones (Don't forget your charger...) Campers in grades K – 6 that bring a cell phone (or other electronic devices), will need to check in devices during registration and they will only be available for use at the camp director's discretion.

#### **Homesickness - Participation - Negative Behavior:**

ALL campers are expected to abide by camp rules and participate in all scheduled activities. Refusal to comply (defiance) may result in the camper's parent/guardian being called to come take the camper home, regardless of time or distance.

1. If your child is **homesick** and unable to work through it with our help, we will allow the child to call you one time. Usually this is enough to help a child get through the rest of the week. If you decide your child needs to go home, make arrangements with the camp director as to when and who will come pick them up.
2. All campers need to be supervised at all times and **when a child refuses to participate**, it puts a strain on available camp staff and can also have impacts on other campers. If a camper refuses to participate in camp, we will work to find out what's happening and encourage them to participate. If they refuse in an ongoing way, we will call you to discuss the issue and hopefully find a resolution. If no resolution is found, we will work with you to arrange for early pick-up.
3. **Negative Behavior**: Our response to negative behavior issues is to work with the child to teach new ways to cope and interact with other children and adults. If this cannot be accomplished, then we will call you to discuss the issue and hopefully find a resolution. If no resolution is found, we will work with you to arrange for early pick-up. If a child threatens the safety of self or others, parents will be called to pick up the child immediately.

#### **PHONE CONTACT:**

To contact a camp director before or during camp, see their contact information below.

If you have an emergency or change of plans that affects your child's stay at camp, call the director.

Thank you for sending your child to Cove Christian Camp. We work hard to provide a safe and fun experience for children to learn and practice God's love.

#### **2025 CAMP DATES & DIRECTORS**

<b>K - 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Camp</b>	July 17-19	CJ Johnson	541-980-9391
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp</b>	June 24-28	Bud & Clarice Duncan	541-786-3150
<b>5<sup>th</sup> &amp; 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp</b>	July 8-12	Boon Setser & Emma Calvert	503-339-5845
<b>Teen Camp (Grades 7-12)</b>	June 17-21	Shaun Erickson	541-398-0632

**Cove Camp Phone for Emergency Calls Only: 541-568-4662**