

TBC Guidelines for a Happy Week!

Tabernacle Baptist Church guidelines are designed to:

- Protect the campers and counselors
- Define the boundaries clearly before incidents occur
- Keep the focus on our relationship with Christ, not on flashy dress, outrageous behavior or “tough-gangsta” attitudes
- Allow the campers and counselors to focus on having fun and building relationships; not over petty debates about standards or conduct
- We follow these guidelines regardless of how other churches choose to interpret the camp guidelines

Dress:

How we dress on the outside, is an expression of what is on our inside!

1. **Modesty** is the key. When in doubt, don't! If you're not 100% sure ask your TBC counselor. Don't wear it unless you are positive that it's okay.
2. **Shorts, Skirts and Dresses:** all must be knee to mid-thigh or longer
3. **Shirts:** no tank tops, mesh, halter-tops, muscle shirts. No shirts with advertisements or messages that is contrary to the spirit of camp.
 - a. Test #1: Belly buttons must not show when arms are extended above head
 - b. Test #2: Shirt arms cannot reveal what beneath!
4. **Pants:** no baggy/saggy pants (Snoop Droopy Drawers). We don't want to see anyone's underwear (men or women!)
 - a. Test #1: Shirts up, down, etc... Don't want to see your undies!
5. **Swimming:** Cover-ups must be worn to and from the swimming area. Only one piece may be worn. Two pieces must have a cover-up at all times. Any water games require dark T-shirts.

No Exceptions!

Conduct:

We treat others like Jesus would treat them, not like they may treat us!

1. No camper is to leave the campgrounds without a counselor from their church.
2. Campers must not leave to dorms after lights out.
3. Everyone is expected to be at all services, on time!
 - a. On time = 5 minutes early.
 - b. If you are too sick to go to chapel, then you are too sick to participate in the games.
4. You are responsible for any damages to camp property. Damages caused by TBC campers will be paid for by the camper or deducted from the Youth Fund.
 - a. Accidents happen, if something does get broke, let your counselor know immediately. Often, we can repair much cheaper than the cost of our deposit!
5. Pranks or jokes that can hurt someone or damage property will not be tolerated.
 - a. Because another church is doing it, doesn't mean we can (or will)
6. The swimming area/river is off limits except for swim time or with counselor supervision (example: Church “free” day). Absolutely no swimming except during designated times. Especially stay clear after dark.
7. Garages and maintenance areas are off limits. Other areas that are off limits:
 - a. The Manager's private home

- b. Garages and maintenance areas
 - c. Stage and sound/electronic equipment
 - d. Cafeteria: except for meals, crafts, devotions or special meetings
8. Watch out for snakes and other wild animals. They won't rattle or snarl before their bite!
 9. Guns, fireworks, alcoholic beverages and all tobacco products are not allowed.
 10. Ipods, radios, and cell phones are okay on the trip up to camp, but, once on the premises, all electronics are to stay on the van or in the possession of the counselors. Any items found becomes the permanent property of the pastor; you will not get it back!!
 11. No Food or drinks in the chapel. Water is okay, but please pick up after yourself
 12. Everyone is expected to be present at all team events, whether participating or not.
 13. All counselors are to be treated with respect. If you feel they have to "earn your respect" before you listen to them, stay home. Back talk will not be tolerated.

Things to keep in mind:

- 1) Respect the chapel sections that each church designates as their assigned area. Don't encroach on their designated areas without clearing it with that churches pastor/youth pastor.
 - a) TBC: If you are not in that section when the services start, you are late!
- 2) Be aware of what will be occurring during the message. Don't be the one that Satan uses to distract someone that the Holy Spirit is speaking to.
 - a) Be respectful during the invitation. You never know how close someone may be to making a life changing decision.
- 3) If there is something you may want to do, ask. We may be able to do something as long as it doesn't cause a disruption to others.
- 4) Participate in the activities. Sitting and watching others have fun, isn't normally any fun!
- 5) We brag on you, the TBC youth. Keep giving us something to brag about!

Anyone who finds it necessary to disobey the rules will be considered disinterested in our camp program, and will be dealt with individually. No refunds if you are sent home.

I agree to abide by the camp guidelines outlined here and on the official camp forms. I understand that I am to abide by the spirit of the guidelines and not just the "letter of the law", and will apply these guidelines accordingly.

I will be particularly sensitive during the lessons, messages and invitation time. I realize eternal decisions are being made and I refuse to be a disruption to someone's (or my) decisions for Christ.

Name: _____ Date: ___/___/___