

PASSPORT*kids*sm

PARENT ESSENTIALS • Converse College

Thank you for choosing to send your student to PASSPORT*kids* Camp. We spend our year planning a fun, safe, and life-changing week of interactive Bible Studies, Games, Worship, and Parties just for them. We take the job of shaping the faith of young people seriously, and the trust you have placed in PASSPORT is never taken for granted.

CAMP SCHEDULE

Day 1

12:00 Camp Check-In
Church Group Free Time
3:00 Opening Celebration
3:50 Walk to Bible Study Room
4:00 Camper Bible Study
5:00 Dinner
6:00 Camper Worship Prep
6:15 Worship
7:30 Rec Party
8:30 Church Group Devotions
10:00 Camper Bedtime/Lights Out

Day 2

7:30 Breakfast
8:30 Morning Devotion
9:00 Morning Celebration
9:30 Camper Bible Study
10:40 Meet at Check Point
10:45 Camper Rotations
11:50 Meet at Check Point
12:00 Lunch
1:10 Meet at Check Point
1:15 Camper Rotations
2:20 Meet at Check Point
2:30 Free Time
5:00 Dinner
6:00 Camper Worship Prep
6:30 Worship
7:15 Church Group Devotions
8:15 Night Market
9:15 Campers return to Lodging
10:00 Camper Bedtime/Lights Out

Day 3

7:30 Breakfast
8:30 Morning Devotion
9:00 Morning Celebration
9:30 Camper Bible Study
Adult Meeting & Adult Devotion
10:40 Meet at Check Point
10:45 Camper Rotations
11:50 Meet at Check Point
12:00 Lunch
1:10 Meet at Check Point
1:15 Camper Rotations
2:20 Meet at Check Point
2:30 Free Time
5:00 Dinner
6:00 Camper Worship Prep
6:30 Worship
7:30 Variety Show
8:30 Church Group Devotions
9:30 Campers return to lodging
10:00 Camper Bedtime/Lights Out

Day 4

7:30 Breakfast
Checkout
8:30 Morning Devotion
9:00 Morning Worship
9:45 Camper Bible Study
Adult Evaluation of Camp
10:45 Closing Celebration
11:15 Church Groups Depart

IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW

Food Allergies

Please ensure your group leader alerts us to special dietary needs in the Special Attention box on our registration website or by calling the national office at least two weeks before your session.

Housing

Campers stay in air-conditioned dorm rooms or apartments with one to three twin beds per room. Bathrooms are on a hallway or in each suite. Bring your own pillow, towels, and bed linens (twin XL sheets or sleeping bags). There is 24-hour campus security. Converse imposes a \$25 lost keycard, \$150 lost key, and \$50 moving furniture fee, subject to change.

Cell Phones

Taking up the Biblical idea of rest, we invite our campers to join us for a week of Digital Sabbath. Campers will not be permitted to have cell phones or electronic devices during camp. Your group leader can plan the best platform for daily updates about your church group at camp.

Camp Mail

Please mail early and include a return address. Mail that comes late will be marked "Return to Sender," but ONLY with a visible return address.

Camper Name, Church/Group Name
PASSPORT*kids* at Converse University
580 East Main Street
Spartanburg, SC 29302

Camp Office Info

The Camp Office opens June 3, and the phone number is 205-588-6937. Please use the Camp Office number for emergencies only! All other communication with your group should be done through your church group leader. Thanks.

Mission Offering

Campers will learn about global needs and are given the opportunity to support Christian ministries working to meet those needs. The camp offering is collected on the final night of Worship.

Variety Show

Campers who want to participate in the Variety Show should come ready to perform their act in costume one afternoon during free time at Variety Show screenings. Group acts are encouraged.

Groups often dress up for Variety Show. This year, we invite campers to dress as their favorite Disney character.

Packing List

Clothes

- T-shirts
- Shorts
- Jacket/Sweater
- Swimsuit (indoor pool *should* be open)
- Closed-toe shoes (required for Rec Party and may get wet, so bring an extra pair)
- Costume for the Variety Show

Toiletries

- Soap (for sink and shower)
- Shampoo/conditioner
- Deodorant
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Other personal hygiene items

Towels and Linens

- Pillow, Twin XL sheets, and blanket (or sleeping bag)
- Towels and washcloths
- Beach towel (to play in the creek)

Other Items

- Bible (write name & church inside!)
- Pen or pencil
- Sunscreen
- Hat
- Bug repellent
- Flashlight
- Water bottle (a must!)
- Money for mission offering (optional)
- Money for the camp store (optional)
- Hand sanitizer
- Alarm clock or watch (Group Leaders will take up phones)
- Any sensory care items your camper may require

TIP: If packing something that must not get lost or left behind (like a Bible), please write a first & last name on it somewhere! Adding the city and church name is very helpful too.

Do Not Bring

- Fireworks, extra shaving cream, water balloons, tobacco products, vapes, illegal drugs, alcohol, firearms—all the usual no-nos. Churches will be held responsible for property damage and/or cleanup costs incurred.
- Students may not bring clothing, hats, flags, posters, or other room decorations that could be seen as divisive, inflammatory, or offensive.
- We ask that all electronics be switched off and put away while at camp to observe our Digital Sabbath rule designed to allow campers to focus on God, camp, relationships, and themselves—not games or music.

Dress Guidelines

Campers and adults should dress appropriately for the entire week of camp, as defined by the camper's parent/guardian and Church Group Leader. Please consider these guidelines, as it is the group leaders who will monitor their group's clothing:

- No clothing with inappropriate language or advertising is allowed.
- Clothing should not make fun of, belittle, or demean another person or culture.
- Shirts with sleeves & closed-toe tennis shoes are required for Rec Party.
- Bring some clothes that can get dirty at Rec Party and for various games or activities.