

2010 GENERAL CAMP INFORMATION

CAMP GRAVATT

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***PLEASE READ ALL INFORMATION CAREFULLY.
SOME INFORMATION HAS CHANGED FROM 2009.***

FEES

The balance of registration fees is due by June 1, except for Family Camp which is due May 10. Failure to pay balance due in full by the due date may result in cancellation of session and forfeiture of moneys paid. Late fees will be assessed a \$25 late fee.

Canteen and a group photo are included with the registration fee. Campers do not need money during camp. Hats, hoodies, and other Gravatt gear may be purchased on opening and closing day.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Cancellations must be received in writing (via email, fax or mail) according to the following schedule in order to be considered for any type of refund. Registrations canceled by 4 PM

- on or before fee balance due date are fully refundable, minus deposit.
- 7-14 days before session, 1/2 fee refundable minus deposit.
- with less than 7 days notice, no refund.

Registrations may be moved to another session as space is available. Deposit is not transferable to another camper or summer.

HEALTH & SAFETY

For the health and safety of every camper, Camp Gravatt must have a current Health Statement and a copy of the insurance card on file prior to your camper's arrival. The resident Camp Healthcare Supervisor will review all forms and see each camper at check-in. A recent tetanus shot is required of all campers and should be noted on the form. Campers without a Health Statement, including necessary signatures and insurance information, will not be allowed to stay.

Parents/guardians will be notified immediately in case of an emergency. Parents of campers with minor illnesses or injuries – headaches, colds, splinters, scratches etc. – may be notified on a case-by-case basis as needed.

All medications - prescription and non-prescription - must be turned in at check-in time to the Health Supervisor, who will arrange for dispensing to campers. All medications must be clearly labeled with the camper's name, name of medication, and directions for use—it may be helpful to provide a pill organizer for scheduled medications. Prescription medications must have pharmacy labels.

New this year, at check-in each camper's temperature will be taken, and a lice check will be performed on all campers.

Health care at Camp Gravatt consists of first aid only—campers who sustain significant injuries or illness will be treated at an Aiken-area health-care facility. Camp Gravatt is not equipped to care for campers having serious medical conditions that require the presence of a physician or nurse.

ACCIDENT INSURANCE

The camp carries secondary accident insurance to help with costs of medical treatment for campers who are not insured or if the family's primary insurance does not cover accidents that may occur to campers during their stay at Camp Gravatt. In such cases, please provide the main office with all pertinent information including an explanation of benefits from your carrier as soon as possible. Please note that the Camp's policy does not cover illness. Any fees incurred by Camp Gravatt for medical treatment are the responsibility of the parent or guardian.

ARRIVAL (ALL SESSIONS EXCEPT FAMILY CAMP)

Please note that the speed limit at Camp Gravatt is 12 ½ miles per hour or walk. Drive carefully.

Check-in is from 3:30 – 5:00 PM on opening day. Camp Gravatt cannot accommodate early arrivals, so please do not arrive before 3:30 PM. ***The front gate will be closed, and cars will not be allowed to enter camp until 3 PM.***

Elementary and Junior High campers should proceed to the summer camp side for check-in at the Pavilion. Senior High campers should check in on the conference side at Stewart Hall. Senior high campers driving themselves to camp will park their cars and not move them once camp begins.

In case of a delay or last-minute cancellation, please call (803) 642-3264 and leave a message. Your call could allow a camper on a waiting list to attend camp. A telephone call will be made to any camper who has not arrived or telephoned by 5:30 PM on opening day.

DEPARTURE (ALL SESSIONS EXCEPT FAMILY CAMP)

Camp ends after breakfast on closing day. Pick up is at 9:00 AM, and no later than 9:30AM. Please let us know when you drop your camper off if anyone other than yourself will be picking him/her up. Please do not request early arrivals or late departures. Our staff will not be available.

FAMILY CAMP ONLY ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

Family Camp arrival is between 11 AM and Noon on May 22. Check in at the Pavilion. Departure is at 11 AM on May 23.

TENTMATE REQUESTS

Please do not call the office prior to the start of camp to ask if your child's tentmate request has been honored. Our staff works diligently to meet such requests when it is possible; however, we must take into account the needs and well-being of all campers involved. Because of last-minute changes to registrations, we do not make tent/cabin assignments until the day before camp begins and sometimes make changes right up until check-in, so we cannot answer questions about assignments over the phone.

MAIL

Mail is important to you and your camper. Write soon, often, and cheerfully using the address above or our email service, Bunk1 (see below). Please write the camper's name clearly on the envelope or package. Please include your camper's tent or cabin number, which will be provided to you at check-in. Mail received after closing day will be marked "return to sender." We will encourage your camper to write at least once. Please equip your camper with several addressed, stamped envelopes with notepaper or postcards. Postcards will also be for sale at check-in.

BUNK1 EMAIL, NEWSLETTER & PHOTO SERVICE

For a small fee, you can keep up with your camper by signing up for Bunk1 services. We post pictures and a newsletter daily, and you can use the service to send emails to your campers. This is the **ONLY** way to get email to your camper. (Please note, campers cannot email back.) To set up a new account and visit Gravatt's online community:

- Go to www.bishopgravatt.org/camp.asp.
- Click the flashing “Camper Photos / Camper Email” button.
- Click the “Register Now” button.
- Fill out the registration fee and purchase Bunk Note credits (you will need a credit card).
- Wait for your account to be approved, or use the preapproval code provided at check-in.
- View camper pictures, read a daily newsletter, and send email to your camper!
- Please call Bunk1 at 1-800-216-9472 or go to www.bunk1.com/contact.asp if you have any problems.

CARE PACKAGES

Because of life-threatening allergies, extra trash, and the potential for bugs and other wildlife, we prefer that care packages not include food. Appropriate care packages are available for purchase at check-in and can be delivered to your camper on the day you designate. Care packages can also be purchased through Bunk1 (see below); please note that this is a 3rd party vendor, and we are not responsible for Bunk1 care packages.

VISITING/TELEPHONING

Questions about registration and fees should be addressed to the main-office number (803-648-1817) on weekdays during business hours.

Visitors are not allowed while camp is in progress. Please inform other family members and friends of this policy. For questions about your camper's experience, please feel free to call the camp office at (803) 642-3264. Your child is accessible by telephone only in the event of an emergency. Campers should NOT bring cell phones to camp. Any cell phones will be confiscated and returned on the last day of camp. Should you have any problems or still have questions, please contact the Camp Director at (803) 648-1817.

WHAT TO BRING

Please mark all items with camper's name. We work with a label company that provides name labels for anyone interested. Visit <http://www.gravatt.lovablelabels.ca/>, or click the link on our website.

Shirts & Shorts
Heavy Shorts for Ropes Course
Jeans
Socks & Underwear
Close-toed Shoes
Bathing Suits
Pajamas
Raincoat / Poncho
Jacket / Sweatshirt
Laundry Bag
Toilet Articles
Toothbrush & Toothpaste
Sheets & Blanket/Sleeping Bag
Pillow & Case
Bath / Beach Towels
Insect Repellant
Sunscreen

Flashlight
Extra Batteries*
Stationery/Stamps*
Pencil / Pen
Bible
White T-Shirt for Tie Dye

Optional Items

Water Bottle*
Spiral Notebook / Paper
Fishing Rod & Tackle
Camera & Film*
Musical Instruments (non-amplified)
Bandana
Shower Shoes (Flip Flops)
Shower Caddy

DO NOT BRING pets, firearms, fireworks, knives, alcohol, or tobacco. These are not allowed and will result in immediate dismissal. Also do not bring cell phones, electronic games, iPods, CD players, or other electronic devices. These are not allowed and will be confiscated and returned on closing day. Do not bring food. Camp Gravatt cannot be responsible for jewelry, sports equipment, any valuables, or expensive clothing. These are not needed.

Although our staff will work with your camper to assist him/her in keeping up with belongings, we are not responsible for items left behind at camp. Lost and found items will be held for one week, after which time items will be donated or discarded. If a camper realizes s/he has left something at camp, please call immediately.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS

From Columbia (about 40 minutes) and points East:

Take I-20 West (towards Augusta) to Exit 29 (Wire Road); turn right (away from Aiken) off the exit ramp onto Wire Road and go about 1 mile to Kedron Church Road; turn left onto Kedron Church Road and go about ½ mile to Camp Gravatt Road; turn right on Camp Gravatt Road and go about ½ mile to the Gravatt entrance.

From Augusta (about 40 minutes) and points West:

Take I-20 East (towards Columbia) to Exit 29 (Wire Road); turn left (away from Aiken) off the exit ramp onto Wire Road and follow directions above.

See you on the first day of camp!