

Ready?

We look forward to a great week at Slippery Rock Baptist Camp. Our hope and prayer is that our campers will grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ through our may sessions. At the same time, we encourage fellowship even in the midst of the fun activities and recreation opportunities available including swimming, basketball, canoeing and tubing, crafts, trivia games, paintball, and team-related activities and sports.

Our staff this year includes Justin Bennett as Camp Director (for the 6th year in a row!); Ben Ward (associate pastor of Covenant OPC – Grove City, PA) as senior speaker; Bob McKelvey as junior teacher; and other teachers, counselors, and staff under the oversight of our Presbytery. A certified lifeguard will be present during all swimming. Canoeing and tubing require life jackets (provided) and adult supervision. A full-time registered nurse is available 24 hours a day. OTC medications are provided (please do not send!) and prescription medications (with dosage times please!) may be registered with the nurse. All camp staff come with pastoral recommendation, criminal background checks, and child abuse history clearances.

Please note: *Except for genuine emergencies*, we ask that parents/guardians not contact counselors or staff with calls, texts, or emails to check on campers. This takes attention away from other campers unnecessarily and interrupts the flow of camp. *Thank you!*

Location:

Slippery Rock Baptist Camp
130 Elliott Lane
Slippery Rock, PA 16127

DIRECTIONS:

From the North: Take I-76 East to I-80 East to I-79 South. Take exit 105 for PA-108 toward Slippery Rock (right turn). Continue on 108 for less than half a mile. Turn left on Elliott Ln

From the South: Take I-70 East to I-79 North. Take exit 105 for PA-108 toward Slippery Rock (right turn). Continue on 108 for half a mile. Turn left on Elliott Ln.

Code of Conduct

While we recognize that our campers come from families with different “house” rules, convictions, and/or expectations on matters such as Christian liberty, dress, and behavior, we ask that the following be observed while under our oversight at camp.

PLEASE CAREFULLY READ THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES

- 1. Campers are expected to treat this as a Christian camp.** We cannot guarantee that our youth embrace Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. We do require that they honor this as a Christian camp, even if they have little to no interest in the spiritual aspects of it. We hope and pray that, by the Lord’s grace, the Holy Spirit will change their hearts and use our camp as a means for that even in some small way.
- 2. Campers are expected to abide by the rules of this camp.** We desire that every camper seek to make our camp a Christ-honoring one for everyone involved, which involves observing the written and verbal rules set forth by the Camp Director and Youth Committee.
- 3. Campers are expected to show respect for others.** Respect must be shown not only for those in authority as teachers, counselors, and staff (including those employed by the camp), but also other campers. We encourage campers to continually ask, “How would I like to be treated?”, then actually treat others that way (Matt 7:12). PLEASE NOTE: *Fighting and bullying will not be tolerated.*
- 4. Campers are expected to maintain Christian decency.** We want to have fun, but do not allow such things as crude jokes, offensive or reckless behavior, and/or foul language. Also, while we cannot force campers to pay attention, we do require that they quietly sit still during sessions. Also, skits must be approved in advance the day before skit night. Portrayals of anything commonly regarded as offensive (e.g. certain shows/movies, behavior, sexual innuendos and/or the glorification of drugs and alcohol) will not be allowed. Skits, once approved, may not be altered before or during skit time.

5. Campers are expected to dress modestly. *For swimming* – Boys must wear boxer-type swim trunks/shorts with no speedos allowed. Girls must wear either one-piece or tankini-top swimsuits without an exposed midriff. *For water games and canoeing/tubing* – boys and girls must wear t-shirts, with the latter wearing shorts over swimsuits. *For camp in general* – Boys may never be shirtless outside of the pool area. Sleeveless t-shirts (with wide straps) are permitted but no tank, spaghetti-strap, halter (etc.) tops; exposed midriffs; or short-shorts – for boys or girls - please. Anyone violating the dress code will be asked to change attire.

6. Campers are expected to stay on the camp property. With proper supervision and the permission of the Camp Director, there are times when campers may leave the property. Walking with a group of teens outside camp to a convenience store is *NOT* one of them.

7. Campers are expected to socialize in groups. During free time and down-time between and after sessions and activities, campers are expected to interact with one another in groups. Boys and girls are not permitted under any circumstances to go off alone as couples. No boys are allowed in girls’ cabins and vice versa. This includes the last day of camp before departure.

8. Campers are expected to observe all scheduled times. While complications arise (e.g. bath-house congestion), campers need to be on time for sessions and activities and are expected to participate in them. Lights out and bed times are to be observed out of respect for campers and leaders needing sleep. Talking well into the night and early morning will not be permitted. *This includes the last night of camp.*

PLEASE NOTE: *Parents and campers will be expected to consent (with understanding) to these guidelines, for which they will be held accountable.* You will be asked to give signed consent on the registration form accessed online. Violation of these guidelines will have consequences. The most extreme of these will be asking parents to pick up their child from camp early. *We hope and pray that such a need will never arise.*

Arrival/Departure Schedule:

Monday, June 19

Counselor & Staff Meeting: 2:00 PM

Camper Check-In: 3:00-5:00 PM

Saturday, June 24

Camper pick-up and departure: 9:00-11:00 AM

What to Bring:

- ✓ A godly Christ-centered attitude
- ✓ Bible, notebook, and pen
- ✓ pillow, bedding (sheets, blankets or sleeping bag)
- ✓ toiletries (soap, shampoo, towel, toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, flip-flops for showers, etc)
- ✓ small fan (battery/electric) for cabin – *optional*
- ✓ rain poncho
- ✓ water bottle – hydration is often neglected!
- ✓ flashlight
- ✓ swimsuit (SEE CODE OF CONDUCT)
- ✓ a t-shirt or something to tie-dye, must be 100% cotton
- ✓ mosquito repellent
- ✓ bag for dirty clothes
- ✓ some spending money for snack bar (\$5-10)
- ✓ money for paintball (optional; \$10/play, \$4/100 paintballs)

What NOT to Bring:

- ✓ a bad attitude
- ✓ fireworks, candles, matches, or lighters of any sort
- ✓ drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or vaping products
- ✓ medication not checked in with the camp nurse
- ✓ OTC medication – The nurse has plenty
- ✓ too little clothing
- ✓ clothes not in line with the dress code (SEE CODE OF CONDUCT)
- ✓ weapons of any kind, including any form of knife
- ✓ any food or snacks
- ✓ electronic devices – laptop, Chromebook, tablet, Kindle, gaming console, MP3 player, or *anything* remotely similar to *any* of these
- ✓ cell phones – **NO CELL PHONES allowed at all - They must be left at home or turned over at camp check-in!** No exceptions and no 2nd chances.
- ✓ Cameras – A camp photographer will be available to take and post photos

Please see **CODE OF CONDUCT**
for more details

Tuition: \$240 per camper

Please find our online registration form [here](#). Payments will still need to be made by check and sent to the address below. There are limited scholarships available through the Youth Committee; but please contact your church leaders first for possible financial support.

Registration deadline is April 28, 2023, and payments must be received by May 12. For forms and/or fees accepted after these 2 dates, the fee increases to \$270. No registrations accepted after May 12.

PLEASE NOTE: We will be limited to 150 campers this year due to staffing and facility limitations – *So, please get your registrations in as soon as possible!* The number could be lower if we do not have enough staff volunteers. Also, we heartily welcome children outside of our Presbytery (and the OPC!), but priority will be given to the youth of our Presbytery until April 28.

Camp tuition payable to:
Presbytery of Ohio Youth Committee

Send checks to:

POH Camp Registration
c/o Jonathan Shishko
6261 Falcon Chase Dr.
Westerville, OH 43082

Questions?:

Bob McKelvey (Youth Committee Chairman)
cell: (215) 317-2107
e-mail: mckelveyrj@gmail.com

Volunteers?:

We at times struggle to find the counselors and staff we need. Would you consider helping out with this vital ministry to youth and contribution to Christ's kingdom? If so, please contact Bob McKelvey ASAP!

Camp Emergency Contact#
215-317-2107 Bob McKelvey
724-287-7241 Slippery Rock Baptist Camp

Presbytery of Ohio (OPC) 2023 Summer Camp

Seniors: Grades 7-12

Juniors: Ages 9-12

June 19-24, 2023

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IN CHRIST



The quest for peace
in a troubled world

Camp Director: Justin Bennett
Speakers: Ben Ward (seniors)
& Bob McKelvey (juniors)

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