

Ready?

We look forward to a great week at Slippery Rock Baptist Camp with the hope and prayer is that campers will grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ during this time. In the midst of this, we encourage fellowship and fun with 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, Jonathan Shishko and Ben Ward as senior speakers; Brad Peppo as our missions speaker, Bob McKelvey as junior teacher; and other 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 (no need to send) and prescription meds (with dosage & schedule given at registration, please!) must be registered with the nurse. All camp staff come with yearly 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

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 such 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; comical portrayals of God’s Word or biblical truths) 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 10

Counselor & Staff Meeting: 4:45 PM

Camper Check-In: 3:00-4:45 PM

Saturday, June 15

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 100% cotton (only) t-shirt for optional tie-dye
- ✓ 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!**
- ✓ Cameras – A camp photographer will be available to take and post photos

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

Registration and Tuition

Register at (<https://opcohioyouth.wordpress.com/>) then forward your tuition of **\$265 (\$273 by PayPal)** according to the instructions at the registration link and also explained below. The Youth Committee has some scholarships; but please contact your church leaders first for possible financial support.

Registration deadline is April 26, 2024, and payments must be received by May 10. For forms and/or fees accepted after these 2 dates, the fee increases to \$290 (\$299 by PayPal). No registrations after May 10.

PLEASE NOTE: We are limited to 150 campers due to staffing and facility limitations – *So, get your registrations in as soon as possible!* This number will be lower if we do not have enough staff volunteers. Also, while we welcome children outside of our Presbytery (and the OPC!), priority will be given to the youth of our Presbytery and those of our staff until the deadline of April 26. Then, outside youth will be received according to the date they registered. Outside youth are asked to withhold payment until they receive personal registration confirmation after April 26 by someone from the Youth Committee.

Camp tuition payable by PayPal or check to:

POH Youth Committee

Send checks to:

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

Questions?: Bob McKelvey (c/o Youth Committee)
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) 2024 Summer Camp

Seniors: Grades 7-12

Juniors: Ages 9-12

June 10-15, 2024

The Golden Rule



Living among others in Christ's love

Camp Director: Justin Bennett
Speakers: Jonathan Shishko and
Ben Ward (seniors)
Bob McKelvey (juniors)
Brad Peppo (missions)

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