

2010 LEARNING TO LEAD

Pre-Camp Information for Parents and Campers

Abilene Christian University

ACU Leadership Camps

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Camp time is coming!

The information listed below has been compiled to assist you in your final preparation for camp.

Arrival and Departure:

Check-in for all camp sessions will be from **3 p.m. to 5 p.m.** on Sunday. Boys will check in at Mabee Hall, girls in Nelson. *There will be no one available to check-in or care for campers prior to these stated times.* Please make your plans to arrive within the stated time frame for registration. Arriving late will cause your camper to miss important introductory activities. To help make registration a **SPEEDY** process, we ask that you leave your luggage in your vehicle until you have completed registration.

Camp ends at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, after the closing ceremonies at 9:30 a.m. Campers will return to their residence hall at 10:00 a.m. and will be supervised until they are picked up by a parent.

Payment of Account:

Each camper's balance is due by May 1st. Please contact the camp office if you have an outstanding balance.

Telephone Usage:

You will help your child have more fun at camp if you prepare them to expect mail from you *but no phone calls*. Each camper will be involved in numerous activities each day camp is in session. If needed, campers may choose to make phone calls during their free time. **Campers are not permitted to use the phone at night except in the case of an emergency.** Any messages left for a camper will be delivered at the next large group meeting or mealtime.

We are aware that many campers regularly carry cell phones, but we ask that campers leave all cell phones in the residence halls during the day's activities. During free time, campers may use their cell phones, but only in their residence hall. Any cell phone carried outside the residence hall may be taken up by camp staff and held until the end of the week.

Emergency phone numbers:

Please limit any calls to emergencies only. Efforts will be made to return all messages as soon as possible. Remember, we will be very busy making sure your camper and others have a great experience! **The numbers listed below are for emergency messages only.** There are no direct lines to campers' rooms. When no one is available to answer a phone call, our voicemail system will take your message. The message will be retrieved and delivered as soon as possible, usually within the hour the message is left.

Camp Office (8 a.m.-5 p.m. daily).....325-674-2407
325-674-2033

After hours message line: **emergencies only**
Head Counselor (after 5 p.m.).....325-674-6682

2010 Parent Release Form:

A completed 2010 Parent Release Form is **required** for each camper. No camper can remain at camp without a completed form. **This form must be received prior to camp.** Detailed instructions for any medically related restrictions should be attached to camper's form. **Please notify the Camp Office of any changes or updates regarding your camper's medical conditions before arrival.**

Medications:

Any prescribed medication to be taken at camp should be prepared in the following manner: **1) placed in a plastic bag with specific instructions, 2) clearly labeled with camper's name, and 3) turned in to camp representative at registration.**

Camper Mail:

** Camper mail is delivered daily. Remember that mail will take a few days to travel so please do not mail letters near the end of the week. Address letters to:

Camper's name (Camp session)
ACU Leadership Camps
10 McGlothlin Campus Center
ACU Station Box 28108
Abilene, Texas 79699-8108

** Please do not email or fax your camper.

Leaving camp facility:

Once camp begins, campers must remain on campus unless with an approved off-site camp activity or with permission from the Camp Director. No camper will be released to anyone other than his or her parent or youth worker without written confirmation. This is for the safety and protection of each camper.

Visitation:

Visitation by family members or non-camper friends is discouraged during camp sessions because it distracts from camp programming. **No visitors are permitted in dorms during camp sessions.** This includes parents, siblings, friends, and other interested parties.

All parents are invited to attend the camp closing ceremonies on Friday. The event is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. in the Hunter Welcome Center.

Personal Spending money:

Free time each day allows campers time to choose from a variety of activities in the Campus Center which require minimal funds. The Campus Store, video game room, game facilities (bowling, pool, air hockey), and Food Court are located in the Campus Center and available for campers' purchases.

A reasonable amount for each camper is \$5 per day, depending on their interests and snacking habits. **Campers are responsible for keeping up with the security of their personal spending money.**