Camp Sonshine

Camper Code of Conduct

The following are guidelines for appropriate/inappropriate camper conduct:

TOUCH

Appropriate

- Handshakes, fist bumps, and high-fives
- Short, congratulatory or greeting side hugs
- Arm around the shoulders (like in a huddle)
- Linking arms or holding hands for an approved game, activity or group prayer
- Incidental contact during group games if no one is being harmed or is uncomfortable by the touching

Not Appropriate

- Private back rubs, arm tickles, massages, etc.
- Touching or exposing private parts NO EXCEPTIONS
- Touching another in anger, disgust, or frustration
- Frontal hugs or lap sitting
- Kissing or other sexualized embraces
- Intimate wrestling or tackling
- Any game with the objective of inflicting pain
- Undesired physical contact of any kind that has been communicated as being unwanted

TALK

Appropriate

- Verbal praise for achievement or behavior
- Verbal encouragement
- Scripturally based teaching (non-sexual)
- Chants or songs that are uplifting and have a positive meaning
- Conversations about personal life situations that do not make others feel uncomfortable or is not appropriate
- Prayer for another's request that is appropriate

Not Appropriate

- Compliments or questions relating to physique or body development
- Sexual jokes, innuendos, or bathroom humor
- Swearing or vulgar language
- Verbal harassment or abuse
- Individual secrets or special gifts
- Sexual coaching or conversation
- Conversations about personal dating relationships, interests and/or "match making"

TERRITORY

Appropriate

- Public one-on-one interaction
- Group or public environments
- Sharing or receiving approved snacks or other trinkets from home with other campers
- Outside of camp interactions with group counselors and ACs with parental consent

Not Appropriate

- Sitting or lying on someone else's bed
- Private one-on-one interactions
- Visiting on-site staff residential areas
- Unauthorized use of any camp activity or equipment
- Riding in unauthorized vehicles

Statement of Agreement to Camper Code of Conduct:

I understand that the above guidelines reflect Camp Sonshine's commitment to preserving a healthy and positive environment where every camper is able to flourish.

- By signing this form I commit that I understand and will abide by the Code of Conduct and agree to report any behavior that seems suspicious, questionable, abusive or inappropriate between campers, staff, and/or others.
- I understand that Camp Sonshine maintains a "zero tolerance" policy for abuse and bullying and I will notify a staff member immediately if I experience or witness any intentional mistreatment.
- I further understand that child sexual abuse is punishable by law and that Camp Sonshine is bound by law to report allegations of sexual abuse to the proper authorities.

I have read and understand the above guidelines and I agree to observe and abide by the policies set forth above.