



## Parent and Student Guide for Camps

**TUITION** includes registration, room, meals, and all recreational activities.

**ROOMS** are pre-assigned. Housing information will **NOT** be given out over the phone. You will receive your assignment at check in. Space is guaranteed **ONLY** until 12:00 pm on the day of check-in unless prior arrangements have been made. **Roommate requests are NOT guaranteed.**

### **REFUND POLICY**

Refunds of all but \$60.00 will be made only if Michigan Student Ministries is notified in writing of your cancellation at least **one week PRIOR** to the start of the camp session you are registered for.

Registrations minus \$60.00 will be transferable for a following camp season **ONLY within 2 weeks** post camp. After this date, all registration fees are non-refundable or transferable.

Cancellation notifications must be sent to [michigancamps@aogmi.org](mailto:michigancamps@aogmi.org).

### **CHECK-IN**

We request that campers do not arrive earlier than 9:00 a.m. Check-in begins at 10:00am.

Addresses to our Camps:

**FaHoLo Camp- 3000 Mount Hope Road. Grass Lake, MI 49240**

- Check-in will take place at the Tabernacle building.

**Lost Valley Camp- 5724 Michigan M-32 W. Gaylord, MI 49735**

- Check-in will take place at the Warnick Activity Center (WAC)

**The health and hygiene of students attending camp is very important to MSM.** Therefore, we check for head lice and other visible signs of illness at the beginning of camp. Any camper showing signs of illness or not completely nit free will need to be sent home.

### **MEDICATIONS**

**ALL MEDICATIONS MUST** be turned in to and dispensed by the nurse, per State requirements. This includes over the counter medications and vitamins.

**Information regarding medications that your student will bring to camp MUST be completed in the Health Form.**

Bring all medication and necessary instructions with you when you check in. The medication must come in its original container with the camper's name on the label and with specific instructions for its distribution. (Includes inhalers for asthma and EpiPen's.)

Please discuss any questions or concerns with the nurse at check-in.

All unclaimed medicine will be discarded after the camp sessions.

## **FOOD AND DIETARY NEEDS**

Campers are allowed to bring outside food for **self-consumption**, provided they are individually wrapped or sealable, not in glass containers and do not require heating, reheating, processing, refrigeration, or temperature control and do not have pungent odors. Inform the Group Leader of any food items once you get to your room. The campground has multiple dining options, including choices to help accommodate campers with special dietary needs.

ALL special dietary needs must be provided on the Health Form by the registration deadline to be accommodated.

Please note: Nut products are NOT permitted at Camp. Many of our campers have nut allergies, so please do not send your camper with any food that may contain nuts or any products that contain peanuts or tree nuts!

(We are unable to ensure that all food brought to camp does not contain nuts)

## **VISITOR POLICY**

We request that during all camps, parents refrain from visiting, calling their children during the week, or coming to the camp before check-out. For the safety of our campers, our camps are closed to individuals not registered as campers or staff. All adult volunteers are required to fill out an application, provide references, and complete a background check prior to camp.

In case of emergency or inquiry, the camp office may be contacted day or night.

**Fa-Ho-Lo Camp:** 517-225-2895 (*daytime*) or 248-912-0014 (*after hours*)  
**Lost Valley Bible Camp:** 231-546-3851 (*daytime*) or 810-626-3019 (*after hours*)

## **GUIDELINES**

1. **DO NOT BRING** TVs, portable DVD players, radios, electronic games, laptops, electrical appliances (this does not include blow dryers and curling irons), tobacco products, vape pens or devices, alcohol, condoms, fireworks, knives, mace, or weapons of any kind – toy or otherwise. No matches or lighters permitted. Weapons, pornography, drugs, firearms, and alcohol of any kind *could be grounds for immediate dismissal*.
2. **BREAKAGE** – Campers (or parents) are responsible for damage to camp property.
3. **WE HAVE A ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY FOR PRANKS.** We want everyone to have the best camp experience possible and pranks can ruin that. Pranks of any kind will have consequences that include contacting parent(s)/guardian(s) and possible dismissal from camp.
4. **STUDENTS MUST NOT leave the campground without the permission of the camp director.** If your student needs to leave camp early, please contact camp administrative staff at the after-hours numbers listed above.

## **DRESS CODE**

**MODEST APPAREL IS A NECESSITY!** It is our desire that campers be comfortable. However, it is also our desire that their dress be decent and modest.

- No short-shorts, halters, low cut tops, bare midriffs, or speedos will be permitted.
- Clothing with alcohol, tobacco, satanic, and sexual slogans are not allowed.
- Swimsuits must be a modest one-piece or a two piece with full coverage (no bikini tops). A covering must be worn to and from the pool and waterfront.
- Appropriate footwear must always be worn. Closed toed shoes are required for games and recreational activities.

## **WHAT TO BRING**

• Pillow • Sleeping bag or sheets/blanket • Towel • Shampoo • Conditioner • Soap • Toothpaste • Toothbrush • Any additional toiletries you need • Athletic clothes (for games/activities) • Extra shoes • Swimsuit (one-piece/swim trunks) • Beach Towel • Jacket • Sweatshirt – evenings are cold so come prepared! • Modest attire for services • Bible • Notebook • Pen/Pencil • ear plugs (if sensitive to sound)

**Spending Money** – Camp T-shirts and other items will be available for purchase. The snack shop will be open for purchases at various times for campers.

**Offering** – There will be offerings received for **BGMC** (*kids camps*) and **Speed the Light** (*youth camps*) during the week of camp. Students are encouraged, but not obligated, to participate in giving at camp.

- **BGMC** stands for “Boys and Girls Missionary Challenge.” The money raised through BGMC is used to provide our missionaries with the supplies they need to reach people around the world. BGMC equips kids to know, to care, to pray, to give, and to reach the lost.
- **Speed the Light** (STL) is the student-initiated, volunteer, charitable program that provides much-needed equipment to missionaries across the nation and in over 180 countries around the world. Speed the Light operates with one guiding principle: all assistance must go to purchase equipment directly related to evangelism (“evangelism” is defined as propagating the gospel and instructing converts). Simply put, we give so our missionaries can travel faster, preach clearer, and be heard louder in order for all to know Jesus.

**Note – The Assemblies of God, Michigan Ministry Network is not responsible for lost or stolen articles.**

## **CHECK OUT**

Check out is at 12:00pm on the final day of the camp your child is registered for. We are not able to accommodate late pick-ups.

We require a signature from whomever is picking up your child(ren) in order for them to be released. Your child’s assigned group leader will have the sign out sheet.

## **QUESTIONS**

If you have any questions after reading, please contact the Michigan Student Ministries Office by emailing us at [michigancamps@aogmi.org](mailto:michigancamps@aogmi.org).