

#### Dear Student and Parent:

Hello! We are heading back to NTS camp at the Southern Wesleyan University in South Carolina, from July 14th-18th. Never The Same (NTS) Camp is an action-packed week of life! We believe NTS will be a pivotal point in the life of each student as they take a week to step away from their normal, everyday routines and fully immerse themselves in connecting with their Creator. Our goal is for our students to hear His voice, and be intentional to process their journey with their friends and caring adult small group leaders from Christ Fellowship. They will not only leave with a deeper understanding of God's unique design for their lives, but a fire to see Him move in and through them far beyond this summer!

#### WHY NTS?

There is something critical about getting outside your environment to hear from God. This feeling opens you up to new ideas and experiences. Away from home, students hearts are more open to hearing things they wouldn't hear otherwise. We believe strongly that when a student comes to camp, God begins to significantly work in their lives. NTS is known for a dynamic camp experience with a student philosophy that mirrors ours. Over the years Richie has built a personal friendship with the camp directors and really believes NTS will be used to deeply impact our students' lives! Check out their website and the back of this packet to learn more about NTS.

Enclosed with this packet you will find information that you will need to get ready for the NTS Summer Camp trip! As we get closer to the actual camp dates, we will send out any additional information.

#### COST: (Costs increases over time, please see next page for increase dates)

<u>The EARLY REGISTRATION total cost for each student is \$470.</u> This includes lodging, food, all activities and a \$75 transportation fee for the bus. Because of this you will need to register in 2 places.

- Part 1 Camp: To register for camp complete the NTS online registration (link is below) and pay a \$150 non-refundable/non-transferable deposit to secure your spot to go with us.
- Part 2 Waiver forms and Transportation: To complete CF Registration Waiver forms and transportation fee, please go to the CF Events page or https://christfellowship.me/event/nts-camp-2023/

#### STEPS TO REGISTER @ NTS:

- Go to the CF Events page to follow the link to NTS, then follow instructions below.
- Go to https://www.ntscamp.com/southcarolina1/ and click on "Register Your Student" then select your church, "Christ Fellowship".
- Registration must be completed by a parent or legal guardian over the age of 18 and is complete when all the required information is entered and either payment is made in full or the \$150 non-refundable/non-transferrable deposit has been made.
- Once you register you will then receive a confirmation email that will include a packing list and forms
  pertaining to their specific site.
- You will also receive reminder emails of payment due 14 & 7 days before the due date if there is a balance on their account.

#### **NEXT STEPS** —> Here is what we need from you!

- Register on NTS website
- Register on CF website for Waiver forms and Transportation

#### **DEADLINES FOR CAMP PRICING AND BUS**

- Early registration \$395 plus \$75 bus fee for total of \$470 from now to 5/05/24 @ 11:59pm.
- Late registration is \$415 plus \$75 bus fee for total of \$490 from 5/06/24 to 6/30/24 @ 11:59pm.
- Last minute registration is \$435 plus \$75 bus fee for total of \$510 from 7/01/24 to 7/13/24 @ 6pm.
  - \*\*Any registrations completed 2 weeks before camp will require payment in full only. \*\*

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

If you are in need of financial assistance to attend camp, please go on the NTS 2024 event page on our website, christfellowship.me and complete the scholarship application. \*\*Please note that eligible students can only receive one Scholarships per year. \*\*

All scholarship applications must be submitted on or before May 1, 2024.

Contact me if you have any questions about our summer camp.

Can't wait for an amazing time at camp!

Logan Aeschlimann
CF Students Director
Christ Fellowship Church

# **NEVER THE SAME CAMP**



WWW.NTSCAMP.COM

# WHO ARE WE

Started in 2000, Never The Same Camp was born and tested in the trenches of local church youth ministry. It has stayed true to its roots as an environment with the local church in mind. NTS Camp is multi-denominational and attended by youth groups of all sizes from all across the United States.

# THREE PILLARS OF CAMP











The week at NTS Camp is strategically designed around the small group environment. Statistically, facts show that what 'sticks' in the life of a student after a camp or retreat is their relationship with their adult small group leader/counselor. This makes NTS Camp a powerful tool for the youth ministry because of the shared life experience between the student and the adult leader from their local church. This relationship will allow follow up and accountability for the commitments students make at NTS Camp. They will leave not only with a new understanding of God's unique design for their lives, but with a network of relationships that help them pursue God and impact the world around them.



# TEAM COMPS

Team competitions are more than just games, but a high intense, energy driven activity that gets every student involved. It is an element of camp that creates camaraderie amongst churches and teams, which they are competing for the first place trophy and bragging rights for an entire year.



















# **SCHEDULE OF CAMP**

\*Schedule may vary per site

### DAY 1

4-7:00pm Check-in

8:00pm Evening Session

10:00pm Opening Ceremonies (Team Comps)

11:00pm Small Group Time

12:00am Lights Out / Quiet Hours until 7:00am

#### **DAY 2-4**

8:00am Breakfast

9:00am Middle School Morning Session

High School NTS Academy

10:00am High School Morning Session

Middle School NTS Academy

11:00am Youth Group Time / Time Alone with God

12:00pm Lunch

1:00pm Team Comps Prep Time

2:00pm Team Comps 3:00pm Open Rec 5:00pm Dinner

7:00pm Evening Session / Small Group Time

9:00pm Club NTS 10:00pm Hang Out 11:30pm In Rooms

12:00am Lights Out / Quiet Hours until 7:00am

### DAY 5

8:00am Breakfast / Youth Director Meeting

9:00am Youth Group Time9:30am Team Comp Prep Time

10:00am Team Comps

11:00am Campus / Dorms Clean-Up

12:00pm Lunch

1:00pm Dorm Check-Out 2:00pm Final Session 4:00pm End of Camp



#### NTS Camp 2023 Packing List

#### What to Bring:

- 2 Pairs of Shoes (One pair <u>must be closed toed shoes</u> to be worn during Team Comps and any other recreational time for safety. Your team will be docked points and you will be asked to sit out if you do not have them.)
- Toiletries & Towel \* hand soap optional for your bathroom
- Sleeping Bag & Pillow
- Bible & Pen
- Face Masks, Hand Sanitizer & Wipes Optional
- Sunscreen & Sunglasses
- Water Bottle (Required at Team Comps and Open Rec)
- Team Color Paraphernalia (shirts, shorts, skirts, socks, shoes, wigs, etc.)
- Clothes that can get messy during Team Comps and Open Rec
- Attire for this year's Club NTS theme party...

#### Neon Nights Dance Comps!

Music, dancing, fun, and black lights! Bring your brightest neon colors and glow items to light up the night!

NTS Camp is not responsible for lost or stolen items; bring all things at your own risk.

#### Bring Money for:

- Meals (for the trip there and back)
- Offering
- Snacks and Beverages at Camp
- NTS Camp Apparel and Souvenirs

#### What NOT to Bring:

- Alcohol, Tobacco, Vaping Products or Illegal Drugs
- Weapons or Fireworks
- Pornography
- Skateboards, Longboards or Hoverboards
- Glitter or Paint (including Face or Body Paint)
- Portable Speakers
- Silly String, Water Balloons or Shaving Cream intended for anything but shaving

#### Dress Code:

- No spaghetti strap shirts or low-cut shirts
- No short shorts or short skirts
- No violent or inappropriate graphics on clothes

Please dress modestly as this is a faith-based camp and we are guests at a faith-based facility. The dress code applies everywhere at camp, including Team Comps and Club NTS.



#### NTS Camp Security Policy

#### LEVEL 1 INFRACTIONS

#### Definition

- Loud obnoxious behavior after repeated warnings
- Swearing or vulgar language of any kind
- Public displays of affection

#### **Consequences**

A verbal warning will be given to the student of the consequences of their next infraction in the presence of Youth Pastor/Director.

#### LEVEL 2 INFRACTIONS

#### Definition

- General disobedience or lack of respect for camp authorities and college staff
- Being outside of mandatory camp programming (which include all scheduled events of the day)
- 2nd "Level 1" infraction

#### **Consequences**

Reminder will be given to student and their youth pastor/director that any other infractions will be cause for dismissal from camp.

Youth pastor/director will apprise parents of offence and inform them that the consequence of any other infractions will be cause for dismissal.

#### LEVEL 3 INFRACTIONS

#### **Definition**

- Any purposeful endangering of life to oneself or others including physical violence
- Any possession or consumption of cigarettes, alcohol, vaping products or illegal drugs
- Any possession of fireworks, firearms or weapons
- After hours loitering (being outside of dorm after midnight)
- Theft of any property or possessions
- Purposeful destruction of camp/host college property
- Any pulling or setting off of any Fire Alarm system
- Throwing ANY objects from dorm windows
- Being in opposite sex's dorm/room
- -Any sexual intent activity
- Public Nudity
- Sexual Harassment
- 2nd "Level 2" infraction or 3rd "Level 1" infraction

#### **Consequences**

Student will be dismissed and sent home at the cost of the student's family.

#### \*Pranks have no place in NTS Camp and will not be tolerated.

Camp rules are superseded by any college, city, state, or federal law violations.