

# Frequently Asked Questions:

## What Will The Kids Do At Camp?

SOMO Kids Camp will be filled with swimming, rock climbing, mini golf, roller skating, water games, special ministry services, this year's theme games, and lots of other activities. Look for the schedule in the Handbook on the website to get a better idea of how each day goes.

## How Many Campers Are At Each Camp?

Expect between 400-600 kids.

## What Is The Ratio Of Sponsors To Kids?

We follow the National Standard of 1 worker per 8 children. Please keep in mind that if you are bringing a group of girls or boys that are less in number than 16 that you may be joined with another church group of the same gender in the dorm. If you are a small group that is combined with another church in the dorm, we try to use a Dorm Leader from each church to keep familiarity with the children.

## Will I need a Background Check to work at Camp?

Yes, we require every worker to have a current BG check. Part of the worker fee is for the district office to run a background check for each applicant over 18 years of age.

## Where is the Camp?

You can do a google maps search for detailed directions and mileage.

Search for: Cross Pointe Camp and Retreat Center, 31434 Main Street, Rocky Mount, Missouri 65072.

Lake of the Ozarks is in the central part of Missouri near Osage Beach, south of Jefferson City about 40 miles.

## Are there Licensed Medical Personnel at Camp?

Yes, there are medical personnel at the camp 24 hours a day. All medications will be turned in to the medical personnel and distributed through them. Please do not send any supplements with your child to camp. We request only medications that are prescribed by a doctor to be brought to camp.

## Can Parents Come For A Service?

Parents are permitted to attend the camp, but they are restricted to the morning service only. All visitors must get a visitors badge from camp security prior to being allowed on the campground. For the safety of all our campers, all visitors must be dismissed after lunch. Remember that homesickness is amplified by having a parent come or even call during camp. We discourage parents from interrupting this very special time away. If you insist on attending please keep these restrictions in mind and your lodging arrangements must be made at the camp hotel if space allows or hotels in either Eldon or Osage Beach.

## Can Workers Bring a young child with them?

**No.** If you plan to bring underage children **you must be a lead pastor or children's pastor.** All must complete an insurance waiver, pay \$25 per child or family member that you are bringing along, and receive confirmation to come as a worker with your child. Please contact the CE office or write on your application if you are a pastor and plan to bring a child who is too young to be a camper. Many jobs are not available to those bringing young kids or infants.

## Is There a Dress code?

Yes. Look at the "Info/Tips" on the Kids Camp home page to see a detailed list.

## Who Is the Guest Speaker?

Take a look at our Kid's Camp Homepage [somoag.org/ministry/children](http://somoag.org/ministry/children). We usually have different speakers for different weeks.

## **How Long Does this Camp Last?**

Camp lasts from Monday 1:00 pm - Friday at 10:30 am.

**Can a 7 or a 13 year old go as a camper?** Camp is designed for children between the ages of 8 and 12. If you feel that the 7 year old could do alright away from home for 4 nights and have a good grasp for understanding the teachings at their age then you make the call. If you have a 13 year old with a demeanor that is more appropriate with Kid's Camp and you feel secure about their interactions with the younger 8 and 9 year olds then they may come. Again, camp is designed for children between the ages of 8 and 12.

**After we pay the \$25 for the group registration online, how much do we owe? \$165** for each camper if registered online by early registration date--**\$190** if you miss the early registration date and **\$25** fee for every worker meeting the deadline. Additional costs include: Non SMD church: additional \$25 per person for early registration, Late Fee: \$25, Hotel room: \$100 a room for one to two people for the week (Mon-Thur nights).

**Do workers pay to come to camp?** Yes, every worker will be charged a \$25 fee to compensate for housing and food. **Churches will be assessed \$25 for every worker meeting the deadline they bring. An additional late fee will be assessed after the deadline. Churches are asked to cover the cost with one church check for both workers and campers.**

**Can Dorm Leaders stay in the hotel?** No. Dorm Leaders must stay in the dorm to supervise the kids through the night.

**Can more than two adults stay in a Hotel room?** The campground allows up to four adults in a room.

**What if a camper has food allergies?** If it is an organic/health allergy or digestive disorder, they can bring their food in a cooler to camp and check it in at the First Aid Station to be monitored and checked out like medicine at meal/snack times. All food must be dated and labeled. If this issue applies to a child from your church, you must inform the CE Department in advance to ensure we have adequate storage space. There is a microwave in both the Nurse's Station and also the cafeteria. There is no deduction on tuition for bringing their own food.

**When will team colors be posted?** Team colors will be posted on Thursday before camp begins on Monday.

**How will I find out what position I will work as a staff/volunteer at camp?** You will receive an email informing you of your position and housing accommodations.

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