



Participant Agreement

PARTICIPANT AND PARENT OR GUARDIAN UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT:

1. **FITNESS** - Ghormley Meadow Christian Camp ("GMCC" herein, and which shall include its parent organization, and the officers, agents, servants and employees of both) cannot make a determination of a Participant's fitness to participate in activities; rather, the Participant represents to GMCC and verifies that he/she is physically and mentally fit and ready for these activities. It is the Participant's duty to discuss all medical conditions and/or physical activity concerns with a GMCC Staff member prior to participation in all activities. All information given will be held in confidence to the extent practicable.

2. **DRESS** -

Challenge Course: All Participants are required to wear closed toe, tie-on shoes. For the sake of both safety and modesty, please come dressed appropriately by wearing comfortable clothing, including a shirt that can be tucked in. No tank tops, excessively loose clothing, shirts with bare backs, or tube tops should be worn. Long pants are suggested, but if you wear shorts, make sure they are long shorts. Please come prepared to remove all jewelry, (including body jewelry).

Water Activities: For specific events, including but not limited to: wakeboarding, waterskiing, and river tubing, alternate clothing appropriate for water based activities will be required.

Tubing Hill: Clothing appropriate for snow-based activities is required. A helmet must be worn (clasped) at all times when going down the Tubing Hill. Failure to comply will result in a loss of use of the Tubing Hill.

3. **PARTICIPATION** – The Participant is aware that the nature of the Challenge Course, Tubing Hill, and other activities requires physical and mental challenges and is willing to participate, and has been advised of the voluntary nature of the activities. Participant understands that he/she may decline to participate in this program, or any part of this program, if he or she so chooses. The Participant understands and acknowledges that his or her failure to disclose relevant information or failure to follow the directions of the GMCC staff may result in harm to the Participant and/or others during an event. The Participant approves and releases to GMCC the use for any purpose of any photographic or video recorded image of the Participant listed below.

4. **INJURY/INDEMNITY** – Participant and his/her parent(s) acknowledge that activities related to the Challenge Course, Tubing Hill, and other activities are physically and mentally challenging, and participant and his/her parent(s) acknowledge that the participant and his/her parent(s) are willing to assume such risks. Participant and his/her parent(s) understand and acknowledge that his/her failure to disclose relevant information or to follow the directions of GMCC Staff may result in harm to the participant and/or others. **IN THE EVENT OF AN INJURY TO PARTICIPANT AS A RESULT OF HIS/HER PARTICIPATION AT GMCC, IRRESPECTIVE OF CAUSE, PAYMENT OF ANY HOSPITAL, MEDICAL, DENTAL AND RELATED COSTS AND EXPENSES IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF, AND WILL BE PAID EITHER BY PARTICIPANT, OR HIS/HER FAMILY, OR THEIR MEDICAL INSURANCE.** The Participant and/or guardian gives permission for transportation to any medical facility or hospital, and to authorize any qualified instructor or medical personnel to render necessary emergency medical care for the Participant listed below in the event of a medical emergency.

I, the undersigned as Participant, and the parent or guardian of the named Participant who is under age 18, have read and do voluntarily sign this agreement.

Participant (print name) _____ Group _____

Participant Signature _____ Date _____ Participant Age _____

Parent or legal guardian must sign below for any Participant under 18 years of age.

Parent/Guardian (print name) _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

CHARACTER COVENANT (Camp Rules)

You don't know how excited we are to have you with us this year. This is going to be one of the greatest weekends of your life. But, we need you to do a few little things to help us make this the best camp in Gateway Students' history. We've worked HUNDREDS of hours to give you an incredible time.

1. Choose to have a good attitude this weekend. You don't have to be "real spiritual" to have a great time, just choose to be positive and make it a great weekend for yourself.
2. Remember to make it an "other's centered" time. Whether it's your first camp or your fiftieth, make helping others a way of life, from the first minute you board the bus till you pick up your luggage to go home.
3. Be a servant this weekend...if there's something that needs to be done, please do it and don't wait to be asked.
4. There's a lot of adjusting to do when you're around new people. Please be conscious and sensitive of others around you and their feelings. On the other hand DON'T wear your feelings on your sleeve. Remember, "if you don't have something nice to say..."
5. Refraining from griping and complaining will make for a better camp for yourself and those around you.
6. Rap Groups are a highlight of each day. Please give them everything you've got for that little bit of time. Be there on time and at every meeting and at least try to make the group feel like you're glad to be with them.
7. Please...be where the group is. You will have some free time during the day, but most of the time you will need to be with the rest of us. Take advantage of these times and do not view them as optional. There is plenty of room to roam around, but we ask that after evening services that you relax in the area where we have gatherings or hang out in your cabin. Please do not take off in cars or private vehicles.
8. To all our "Romeos and Juliets"...no PDA...PLEASE.
9. Everyone sleeps. We know that "sleepless people" change the tenor of everything and send all our work "down the drain." Please be mature enough to be quiet when we ask.
10. Everyone eats and drinks. We eat near the kitchen.
11. If you get sick or have a medical problem, please see the nurse.
12. Regarding "BORROWING" things from other people...unless you ask, you are stealing. Leave your valuables at home. While we make every effort to ensure a crime-free camp, Gateway Students will not be responsible for lost or stolen items. If you are caught stealing, you will be sent home.
13. A friendly word about pranks—DON'T.
14. Now for the obvious...no drinking, drugs, or smoking. No weapons of any kind, matches, open flames, or fireworks. If these items are found, you will be sent home without question.
15. Keep all of your electronic devices at home (iPods, digital cameras, CD players, etc. If we find them we will take care of them for you until the end of the event.
16. Let's talk clothing. In general, if you wear clothing that is inappropriate (including, but not limited to, inappropriate pictures on shirts, spaghetti straps, etc.), you will be asked to change. We reserve the right to ask you to change for a more modest and/or appropriate look.

STUDENT SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____