

# The Wilds Summer Camp Packing Checklist

## **Bedding:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ sleeping bag or twin sheets
- \_\_\_\_\_ pillow and pillowcase
- \_\_\_\_\_ towels/washcloths

## **Clothes**

### **All:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ old shoes (for hiking and games)
- \_\_\_\_\_ flip-flops (for showering)
- \_\_\_\_\_ water shoes (optional)
- \_\_\_\_\_ jacket/sweater
- \_\_\_\_\_ socks
- \_\_\_\_\_ underwear
- \_\_\_\_\_ laundry bag
- \_\_\_\_\_ pajamas

### **Boys:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ t-shirts
- \_\_\_\_\_ knee-length shorts
- \_\_\_\_\_ jeans/pants
- \_\_\_\_\_ swim trunks

### **Girls:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ t-shirts  
(no low front or back necklines; must cover shoulders)
- \_\_\_\_\_ knee-length shorts
- \_\_\_\_\_ loose-fitting pants/jeans
- \_\_\_\_\_ swim suit  
(one piece or tankini that overlaps at the waist)

### **Other Items:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Bible
- \_\_\_\_\_ notebook/pens (optional)
- \_\_\_\_\_ toothbrush/toothpaste
- \_\_\_\_\_ brush/comb
- \_\_\_\_\_ soap/shampoo
- \_\_\_\_\_ medications
- \_\_\_\_\_ insect repellent (optional)
- \_\_\_\_\_ camera (optional)
- \_\_\_\_\_ flashlight (optional)
- \_\_\_\_\_ water bottle (optional)
- \_\_\_\_\_ spending money (optional)  
(for the Snack Shop, bookstore, coffee shop, Craft Shop, cabin pictures; most campers bring \$50-\$75).

### **Helpful Hints:**

- Label all important items with your child's name. This helps us identify lost items.
- Do not bring the following: alcoholic beverages, drugs, tobacco or cigarettes of any kind, fireworks, ammunition, guns, weapons, scooters, skateboards, rollerblades, drones, magazines, and apparel with inappropriate graphics or lettering. Campers should not bring cell phones or any other type of music/media device (excludes digital cameras).

## General Information

Reservations are confirmed when the completed registration with the required nonrefundable registration fee is received in our office. All campers and sponsors are required to have a completed liability waiver.

**Arrival:** The check-in window will open at 2:30 p.m. on Monday. The camp program will begin at 5:00 p.m. (Please try to arrive before 4:30 p.m.)

**Departure:** Junior Boot Camp ends at 8:20 a.m. after breakfast on Saturday, with pick-up at General Headquarters. Teen Camp ends at 9:00 a.m. after breakfast on Saturday.

**What to bring:** Bible, bedding, pillow, towels, toiletries, camera, flashlight, swimsuit, jacket, sports clothes for activities, nice casual clothes for informal services, at least one old pair of tennis shoes, and spending money (for The Snack, General Store, Cool Beans Coffee Shoppe, and Craft Shop—most campers bring \$50-\$75 for spending money). Please note that an ATM is available on the campsite for your convenience.

**Do not bring:** Alcoholic beverages, drugs, tobacco or cigarettes of any kind, fireworks, ammunition, guns, weapons, scooters, skateboards, rollerblades, drones, magazines, apparel with inappropriate graphics or lettering. Campers should not bring cell phones, smart watches, or any other type of media device (excludes digital cameras).

**Ladies/Girls Dress:** Clothing should be loose-fitting and come at least to the top of the knee. Please no low necklines or narrow, sleeveless/tank tops. For evening services, we encourage classy casual dress—please avoid athletic-wear. For water activities, please wear dark shirts and shorts over swimwear. For girls-only swim times a one-piece swimsuit or a tankini that overlaps at the waist is acceptable.

**Men/Boys Dress:** Clothing should be loose-fitting and come at least to the top of the knee. Please no gaping tank tops. For evening services, we encourage classy casual dress—please avoid athletic-wear. For water activities, please wear dark shirts and shorts/swim trunks. For boys-only swim times, shirts are not required.

*The Wilds reserves the right to ask anyone to change his or her outfit if, in the estimation of the staff, it does not comply with these standards.*

**Lost and found:** Lost items not requested in 30 days will be disposed of.

**Camp nurse:** A registered nurse will be on duty at all times. Special instructions will be given at camp for those taking medications. For the protection of the campers, we are unable to retain campers with contagious conditions such as chickenpox or lice. The camp has a "nit-free" policy. All campers need to be checked for lice prior to arrival at camp, and only those campers who are "nit-free" should be allowed to come.

**Meals:** All meals are included in the price of the camping program. Those on special diets must bring their own necessary supplements.

**Airport arrivals:** The closest airport is in Asheville, NC. The Wilds provides a shuttle service by advance arrangement only. Rates are available upon request. Call the camp office at (828) 884-7811 to make arrangements.

**Late arrival:** Should your arrival be delayed past 4:30 p.m., please call the camp office at (828) 884-7811 to hold reservations and to give us an estimated arrival time.

**Before May 22, 2024,** contact us at:  
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PO Box 509 • Taylors, SC 29687-0009  
Phone: (864) 331-3286 • Fax: (864) 331-3285

**After May 22, 2024,** contact us at:  
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The Wilds is a nonprofit, nondenominational, year-round Christian camp and conference center operated by The Wilds Christian Association, Inc. The Wilds is fundamental in its beliefs, Bible-centered in its philosophy, and evangelistic in its outreach.

The Wilds is located in North Carolina off US Highway 178. If coming north on I-85, take SC 11 (first exit after Georgia-South Carolina border) and turn left onto US 178. Four miles north of the North Carolina-South Carolina border, turn left onto Old Toxaway Road and follow the signs to the campsite. From North Carolina on I-26, take Exit 40. Follow NC 280 West to US 64. Continue on US 64 West through Brevard to Frozen Creek Road (1.5 miles beyond the Route 178 Rosman turnoff) and turn left. Follow the signs for 5.5 miles to the camp.

**Visit our website for more detailed directions. Many online map sites and GPS systems do not give accurate directions.**



### Administrative Office:

The Wilds Christian Association, Inc.  
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1000 Wilds Ridge Road  
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### Attention Parents & Youth Workers:

- Campers do not have access to phones except for emergencies.
- Campers are expected to stay the entire camp period except for sickness or an emergency at home.
- Please mark all luggage and clothing with the camper's name.
- Youth workers coming with a group of campers will have their linens provided but are asked to bring personal towels for use at the lake.
- When writing a camper, please use the camp address listed above. Please be sure the camper's name is on the front of the envelope.
- The Bible is the source and substance of our preaching, teaching, and counseling.

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