



East Texas Baptist Encampment

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CAMP COUNSELOR COMMITMENT/VERIFICATION FORM

The purpose of this form is to provide verification of adherence to the
Texas Administrative Code Title 25, Part 1, Chapter 265, Subchapter B, Rule 265.12.

Every adult must have this form completed and given to the camp director along with his/her Criminal Background Report and Sex Offender Report before he/she will be allowed to attend as a counselor.
According to Texas State law, Verification Forms must be run with in 12 months of attending camp.

Counselor Commitment

I acknowledge that I have read and will abide by the rules provided to my church by East Texas Baptist Encampment. I also agree to strive to reflect a Christ-like attitude while serving as a camp counselor. *(The term camp counselor is used for all adults representing an organization regardless of their position or duties.)* I recognize the privilege and responsibility attached to this role and will do my best to be a positive example to each camper and camp counselor attending this camp.

 Signature of Camp Counselor

 Date

 State of Driver License or State Issue ID Card

 License or State ID Number

 Date of Birth

Pastor/Church Verification

Required by State Law

This is to certify that _____ church has screened the above named person and have verified they are of good Christian character, free from illegal, immoral, improper behavior, and have the integrity to work with minors. We assume full responsibility for this person serving as a camp counselor working with minors. We understand that our church is legally responsible for the proper selection of camp counselors and for their actions while acting in this capacity. To our knowledge the above named person has never been convicted of crimes committed against minors. We have confidence that he/she will reflect the love of Christ to others who are participating in the camp experience while at East Texas Baptist Encampment.

 Pastor /Paid Staff Member/Chairman of Deacons

 Date

 Name of Church

 Phone Number of Church

ETBE OFFICE USE

On file: CBV _____ SORV _____ Training _____

Rules**Counselor/Church/ Group Responsibility Form****Please Read Carefully the Following Requirements!*****This form must be completed by a representative from each church or group.***

1. ALL **SERIOUS** INJURIES AND ILLNESSES MUST BE REPORTED IMMEDIATELY TO YOUR CAMP NURSE AND ETBE CAMP OFFICE. **For Emergencies Call 911.** All medication must be turned over to your camp nurse. A SIGNED MEDICAL/LIABILITY RELEASE FORM IS REQUIRED FOR ALL CAMPER, ROPES COURSE PARTICIPANTS AND COUNSELORS. East Texas Baptist Encampment may not have a trained emergency medical technician on site. It is the responsibility of the contracting organization, church, or group to provide emergency medical personnel. Christus Jasper Memorial Hospital, in Jasper, Texas is the closest emergency room. Their phone number is 409-384-5461; address is 1275 Marvin Hancock Drive.
2. Each group is required to have ONE ADULT COUNSELOR for every TEN campers. Counselors are required to stay on the grounds, sleep in the rooms with the campers, and enforce the rules and regulations of ETBE. Counselors can not be alone one on one with anyone under the age of 18. If the need arises where a counselor must attend to a student on a more private issue, a second counselor must be in the area to observe. This protects the student, counselor, church, and the encampment. ETBE does not provide counselor screening. It is the responsibility of the contracting organization and each individual church to conduct counselor background screening, background checks, including sexual offense checks. No group will be allowed to register until a copy of the background and sexual offense checks for each adult 18 yrs or older has been turned into the ETBE office. There will be a \$10.00 charge for each background and/or sexual screening check ETBE performs to meet the admittance requirements for camp.
3. There will be NO SHAVING CREAM FIGHTS, body paint, possession of fireworks, firearms, knives, alcoholic beverages, or illegal drugs. Pets are not allowed, anyone bringing a pet will be asked to remove it from the premises. No tobacco use in the buildings, please do not throw cigarette butts on the ground. Persons not old enough to buy tobacco products will not be permitted to use tobacco on camp premises. All vehicles must remain parked; they are not to be used to transport campers around the encampment.
4. All facilities are to be left clean. YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE TO PAY FOR ANY DAMAGES DONE BY YOUR GROUP. There will be a \$30.00 graffiti charge per incident. You are responsible for sweeping the floor and picking up the trash in and around your building. If the floors are not swept and the trash picked up, your church will be billed an excessive clean-up charge of \$50.00 per hour.
5. Dress code –shorts of modest length, shirts must cover complete torso, no spaghetti straps, no obscene tattoos showing. Adult staff, counselors, band members, recreation team, and all program staff must comply with dress codes of the ETBE. Shirts must be worn at all times except for boys while in the pool. Swimsuits must be modest; two piece suits must be covered by a dark t-shirt with short sleeves.
6. **NO SELLING OF CONCESSIONS OR MERCHANDISE** WITHOUT PRIOR PERMISSION FROM ETBE.
7. **East Texas Baptist Encampment does not provide security.** It is the responsibility of your church/group/ or contracting organization to provide security and check out procedures for your students.

THESE RULES HAVE BEEN SET BY EAST TEXAS BAPTIST ENCAMPMENT AND IF BROKEN, MAY RESULT IN YOUR GROUP BEING ASKED TO LEAVE THE GROUNDS WITH NO REFUND.

I understand and accept these rules as printed. I will explain these rules with those persons accompanying me to the camp.

Signature: _____ Date: _____