

TEEN CAMP FAQ – FOR PARENTS

GENERAL CAMP INFORMATION

What is the mission and purpose of the camp?

Our mission at SNEMN Summer Camps is to provide a Christ-centered summer camp experience where students grow in their faith, build strong friendships, and create lasting memories. Through engaging activities, worship, and bible-based sermons, we aim to help campers deepen their relationship with God and learn to live out their faith.

What grade levels are eligible for middle and high school weeks?

Middle School Week is open to students **entering grade 6 through entering grade 9**. High School Week is for students **entering grade 10 through graduating seniors**.

Please note: Students who have graduated 8th grade will be required to attend Middle School week in order to provide space for 12th grade Seniors to attend High School week.

What are the camp dates and daily schedule?

Our camp runs for multiple weeks in the summer. Specific dates for Middle School and High School sessions can be found on our website (www.snemn.com/summer-camp). A typical day includes meals, morning chapel, group activities, free time, and an evening service.

Where is the camp located, and what are the drop-off/pick-up procedures?

Our camp is located at **Rumney Bible Conference in Rumney, NH**. The address is 31 Gilford Ave. Rumney, NH 03266.

Most campers will arrive and depart with their corresponding church group. However, if your child(ren) are not traveling with their church, the drop off/pick up procedures are below:

Drop-off is on **Monday at 1:00PM** and pick-up is on **Friday at 12:00PM** at the campground. Parents/guardians must check in with camp staff when dropping off and picking up their child(ren).

What is the staff-to-camper ratio?

We maintain a **1:5 staff-to-camper ratio**, ensuring each camper receives personal attention and supervision.

How many kids are in a cabin? And what does the set-up look like? Is there an adult that bunks with the kids?

Each cabin typically houses 8-12 kids. The cabin set-up is designed to foster a comfortable and safe environment, with designated areas for sleeping and personal

space. There is always a trained, vetted adult leader who stays in the cabin with the children. The adult leader ensures the safety and well-being of the campers, and no leader is ever alone with a camper in a secluded area. Our goal is to create a safe and supportive atmosphere for all participants.

SAFETY & SECURITY

How do you ensure my child's safety while at camp?

We prioritize camper safety through trained staff, clear guidelines, and 24/7 supervision. All activities are overseen by qualified instructors, and cabins are monitored by adult counselors.

What are your security procedures for checking in and out campers?

Only authorized adults or churches listed on the camper's registration form can check a camper in or out. A photo ID is required at pick-up.

Are background checks conducted on all staff and volunteers?

Yes, all staff and volunteers undergo thorough background checks and references. They also participate in a mandatory child safety training.

How are campers supervised, especially during free time?

Camp Counselors and staff members are always present, even during free time. Campers must stay in designated areas and participate in scheduled activities. Campers are never to be alone at any time, nor are they ever to be alone with an adult. Campers will always travel in groups of 3.

What is your policy on campers leaving campgrounds?

Campers are not permitted to leave the campgrounds under any circumstances. In an emergency, students will be escorted to the hospital by the Camp Director or camp staff, and parents will be contacted immediately.

HEALTH & WELLBEING

How do you handle medical needs and emergencies?

We have trained medical staff on-site to handle injuries and health concerns 24/7. In a serious emergency, we will contact parents and transport the camper with a camp staff member to the nearest medical facility.

Is there a nurse or medical staff on-site?

Yes, a registered nurse is available 24/7.

What if my child has allergies, dietary restrictions, or medication needs?

We accommodate allergies and dietary restrictions. All medication must be checked in with the camp nurse and will be administered as directed. Parents are asked to note any allergies, dietary restrictions, and medication needs during camp enrollment.

How do you handle homesickness, anxiety, or emotional concerns for older campers?

Our staff are trained to support campers experiencing homesickness or anxiety. We encourage campers to stay engaged and talk with their camp leaders if they need help/support. A phone call to parents is available at the child's request.

What is the camp's policy on illness and contagious diseases?

Campers showing symptoms of illness will be evaluated by medical staff. If necessary, they may be sent home to recover.

FAITH BASED ACTIVITIES

How is faith integrated into daily activities?

Faith is at the heart of our camp. Each day includes morning devotionals, worship, Bible study, and faith-based discussions. Biblical values are also reinforced through activities and interactions.

Is the camp affiliated with a specific church or denomination?

Yes, our camps are **hosted by the Southern New England Ministry Network, which is part of the Assemblies of God.** We welcome all students regardless of their religious background.

What spiritual topics will be covered in Bible studies and worship sessions?

Topics vary each year but often include topics such as; identity in Christ, discipleship, sanctification, prayer, and trusting God in daily life.

Will my child have the opportunity for deeper spiritual discussions and mentorship?

Yes! Campers are encouraged to ask questions, participate in small groups, and seek discipleship[from camp counselors and guest speakers. We also encourage Youth Pastors to be present during these discussions.

Are students required to participate in all faith-based activities?

While we encourage participation, we respect each camper's faith journey. However, all campers are expected to attend group sessions and be respectful of the faith-based environment.

DAILY LIFE & ACTIVITIES

What types of activities and recreation are available for middle/high schoolers?

Activities, including but not limited to: Swimming (pool and lake), Hiking/Outdoor Activities (In which participants could possibly get bites from insects, ticks, mosquitos, spiders, and/or snakes, etc...), Jumping, Throwing, Field Games, Canoeing (life jackets required for all participants), Lake Swimming, Water Inflatables, Outdoor Sports, Indoor Game Room, Walking/Running, Food Challenges, Recreational games (relay race styles, tug-of-war, etc., which may involve water and mud).

Do campers have free time, and how is it structured?

Yes, there are structured free periods where campers can choose from various activities under staff supervision.

What should my child bring to camp?

A packing list will be provided before camp. Essentials include **Bible, notebook, sleeping bag/bedding/pillow, toiletries, towels, athletic clothing, sneakers, modest swimwear, and a flashlight**. This information can be found throughout the registration process.

What is the dress code?

Campers should wear **modest, activity-appropriate clothing**. No offensive language/images on clothing. Swimsuits should be one-piece for girls and swim trunks for boys.

TECHNOLOGY, COMMUNICATION & INDEPENDENCE

Are campers allowed to bring phones or electronic devices?

We encourage a **tech-free environment** to help campers focus on God and friendships. However, phones are not taken away, but we ask that they not be taken out during services and other activities. Wi-Fi is limited.

Please note: SNEMN and Rumney are not responsible for any lost or stolen property, including cellphones and other electronic devices.

How can parents communicate with their child during camp?

Parents can contact their child's phone; however, response time may vary. In the event of an emergency, the District Youth Director, Rev. Chris Hurtado can be contacted on his cell 860-580-6650 or email chris@snemn.com.

How does the camp handle social media and online safety concerns?

We ask that campers refrain from using social media during camp. Photos and videos will be shared on our SNE NextGen Instagram and Facebook pages.

What if my child wants to come home early or struggles with being away?

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Our staff is trained to support campers through challenges. If needed, we will contact parents to discuss the best course of action.

BEHAVIOR, EXPECTATIONS & RELATIONSHIPS

What are the rules regarding camper behavior and interaction with peers?

Campers are expected to treat others with kindness and respect. No bullying, inappropriate language, or disrespectful behavior is tolerated.

How do you handle bullying, conflicts, or behavioral issues?

We address conflicts through staff mediation, discussions, and, if necessary, contacting parents.

What are the guidelines for boys and girls interacting at camp?

We encourage positive friendships, but there are clear guidelines on physical boundaries and appropriate conduct.

What are the consequences for breaking camp rules?

Consequences vary depending on the severity of the behavior. Repeated or serious violations may result in a camper being sent home. Parents will be responsible for picking up their children and will not receive a refund.

REGISTRATION & FEES

How do I register my child for middle/high school camp?

Registration is available online at snemn.com/summer-camp

What is the cost, and do you offer financial assistance?

The cost is **\$350 per camper for early bird and \$400 for late registration**. Some churches offer camp financial assistance. Please see your church camp coordinator for more info.

What is your refund and cancellation policy?

Refunds are available minus the \$50 non-refundable fee per child up to a week before each camp.