



WHAT WE'RE ALL ABOUT...

A Parent's Guide to The Wave Daycamp!

I will thank You, Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of all the
marvelous things You have done.

Psalm 9:1

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SAVE THE DATE!

Open House 2012

When: Sunday, May 20th, 2:00-4:00pm

Where: Gym at the Family Ministry Center

What: Meet your staff and pick up essential summer items!

Parent Night 2012

Thursday, July 19th, 6:30-8:00pm

Watch YOUR campers perform and get a glimpse of what happened at The Wave 2012!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for choosing The Wave Summer Daycamp! We are thrilled that you are planning to join us for an exciting summer. We want you to know that we consider it a privilege to care for your children. We hope and pray that Christ will work through us to reveal to each of you His unfailing love.

At The Wave, we pride ourselves on being Christ-centered, HIGH-ENERGY, and unquestionably safe. We staff young adults who are passionate about loving kids and making disciples, and who are trained in safety and discipline procedures.

Enclosed you will find almost everything you need to know about The Wave. You will find policies and procedures that are necessary for us to care for your children in a healthy and safe environment. We ask you to make yourselves and your children aware of this information so that everyone in your family is prepared to begin their experience here at The Wave!

We appreciate your cooperation and we look forward to working with you this summer! Feel free to contact us if you have any questions!

In Him,

The Wave Directors

Our Vision

We desire to make disciples out of campers, staff members and families by sharing our lives and glorifying God together each summer.

Our Mission

We are dedicated to daily expressing the love of Christ to our campers by providing spiritual leadership, genuine discipleship, Christian fellowship and spiritual worship.

Statement of Belief

We believe there is one true God, and that He desires to reconcile and redeem people in their brokenness. We believe that He sacrificed His one and only Son, Jesus Christ, in order to make this happen. And we believe that it is the responsibility of all believers to make this redemption known to all nations.

What does this mean?

The Wave's Vision (where we're going), Mission (what we're doing to get there) and Beliefs (how we get there) all mean that we must provide an environment of excellence for our campers. Excellent staff. Excellent safety. Excellent fun. Parents can take comfort in knowing their children are in a secure, positive environment where they will encounter Christ daily. We will never pressure a child to make a commitment to Christ; however we will speak of Him unashamedly.

CAMP TUITION

Summer 2012



Camp Payment Options

Option A

**\$75 Registration Fee
(nonrefundable)**

Registered for 1-6 weeks

\$140/week

*Registration fee is due at registration. Full balance is due by May 1st.

Option B

**\$75 Registration Fee
(nonrefundable)**

Registered for 7-9 weeks

\$130/week

*Registration fee is due at registration. Full balance is due by May 1st.

Monthly installment payments can be made in a way that best suits your needs (monthly, bi-monthly or weekly) with the full balance due May 1st, 2012.

KEEP IN MIND

We accept cash, check and credit card payments. If you pay by cash or check, payments can be turned in to the Wave Office or mailed to First Baptist Hendersonville, attn: Wave. Checks should be made out to FBCH (First Baptist Church Hendersonville) with your camper's name in the memo line.

To pay by credit card, come by the Wave Office at the Family Ministry Center.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Wave Office at 615-447-1320.

Additional Fees

Forgot my lunch fee.....\$5
Forgot my socks fee.....\$2

Returned check fee.....\$30
Late Pick-up fee.....\$1/minute

Scholarship Opportunities

If you are in need of financial assistance for The Wave, you have the opportunity to apply for a scholarship. Please contact The Wave Office at (615) 447-1320 for more information.

The Wave Day Camp ~ 106 Bluegrass Commons, Hendersonville TN 37075

Our Staff

At The Wave, we consider our staff to be our best asset. We strive to hire the most excellent college-aged young adults in Middle Tennessee and beyond. We look for young adults who are passionate about serving God and loving children. We seek out high-energy, relational people who are suited for our unique camp culture. We train them in first-aid, CPR, Christ-centered discipleship and our discipline philosophy. We do our best to encourage them throughout the summer and spur them on towards a deeper relationship with the Lord. Our hope and vision is that through a vibrant, healthy staff, The Wave will help to shape campers' lives.

Security Procedures

At The Wave, we take each camper's physical safety and innocence very seriously. Our best tool for keeping campers out of harm's way is to hire and train an excellent staff. Each staff member is carefully selected and given a thorough background check. The staff participates in every activity with the campers. Never, ever is any staff member allowed to be by himself/herself with campers. This is our strictest policy. There must be a minimum of two staff members with campers at ALL times. Each staff member is certified in First Aid and CPR prior to the first day of camp. Please don't hesitate to call a Director if you have questions or concerns about our safety procedures.

In addition to using our excellent staff as a security tool, each camper will be assigned a 4-digit security number upon registration that will be required when signing out before the scheduled Pick Up time, which is 4:00pm. You may give your child's Security Number to anyone you wish with the understanding that if they produce this number to us, your child will be released to them.

This number will be used to:

- Sign out campers before 4:00pm at The Wave Welcome Desk
- Visit a camper during Lunch or Snack
- Sign out a camper that is not your child

Security Number Info:

- No child will be released without the proper Security Number or Car Tag
- Security Numbers will only be released to a camper's parent or legal guardian
- All Security Numbers will be kept confidential and will not be given out over the phone
- We require legal documentation for cases in which a parent/legal guardian is not allowed to pick up their child

We will NEVER release a child to ANYONE who has not properly followed ALL Security Procedures.

What to do if you forget your child's Security Number:

Report to The Wave Welcome Desk (you will be required to produce photo identification and confirm some of your child's personal information).

What to do if your child's Security Number must be changed:

If, for any reason, you feel that your child's Security Number needs to be changed, report to The Wave Welcome Desk as soon as possible. We will take the necessary steps in order to change the number.

The Wave General Info

The Wave is a summer day camp designed for children who have completed Kindergarten through 8th Grade. Our hours of operation are Monday – Friday, 7:00am- 6:00pm.

Camper Groups

Campers are divided into three sub-camps. We like to call them SURFS.

SURF 1	SURF 2	SURF 3
Campers K – 2 nd 2 groups per grade 1 female & 1 male leader per group	Campers 3rd – 5th 1 to 2 groups per grade 1 female & 1 male leader per group	Campers 6th – 8th 1 large group, separated by gender for some activities. 2 female & 2 male leaders for group
<p style="text-align: center;">FOCUS: Learn about following Christ!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOCUS: Learn about following Christ!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOCUS: Being Godly servant-leaders!</p>

Each Surf operates on its own daily schedule apart from the other Surfs, however all three Surfs combine often for camp-wide activities such as J.A.M., weekly parties, swimming, etc.

Adding Weeks

To add a week for which you did not originally register, complete an Add Form with **at least two full week notice** (forms available at The Wave Welcome Desk or on our website). You will also need to pay the weekly tuition in order to hold your child's spot.

Cancelling or Transferring Weeks

To cancel or transfer a week for which you are registered, complete a Cancel/Transfer Form with **at least two full week notice** (forms available at The Wave Welcome Desk or on our website)

Dress Code

The Wave is focused on honoring Christ, therefore, all clothing worn by campers and staff should be modest. Please send your camper in **SOCKS & TENNIS SHOES** everyday!

Acceptable dress includes:

- Tennis shoes and socks
- Modest shorts or pants
- T-shirts or other loose fitting, comfortable shirts
- One-piece swimsuits or modest tanquini

Unacceptable dress includes:

- Skirts or dresses (due to our high activity level!)
- Shorts that are shorter than fingertip-length
- Shirts with inappropriate slogans or questionable advertising
- Spaghetti strap or low-cut shirts
- Flip flops, crocs or heeies
- Bikinis or other immodest swimsuits

If a camper arrives inappropriately dressed, parents will be contacted to bring a change of clothing or shoes.

Swim Days

Campers swim at the YMCA outdoor pool each Friday (except for Week 2 and inclement weather) from approximately 9:00am – 11:00am. Please keep the following guidelines to ensure swim days go smoothly:

- Arrive no later than 8:30am.
- Dress your child with swimsuit underneath clothing.
- Send a towel and dry underwear in your child's Wave drawstring backpack (provided with Registration).
- Apply sunscreen to your child. We keep spray bottles on hand, but we will not rub sunscreen on any campers.
- No pool toys please.

YMCA SWIM TESTS:

YMCA policy states that all campers desiring to have full access to the pool (shallow and deep end) must take a swim test each week. The test requires the campers to dive or jump into the water (their head must go under water) and swim from one side of the pool to the other without stopping or needing assistance (no doggy-paddling). Campers must use the ladder to exit the pool on their own. Campers who pass the test will be granted full access to the pool and slides. Campers who choose NOT to take the swim test, or who do not pass it, will be required to wear a life jacket for the duration of their time at the YMCA. This is a policy of the YMCA and not of The Wave Daycamp. The YMCA will provide life jackets for the campers; however, you may send a CLEARLY LABELED, COAST GUARD APPROVED life jacket for your child if you wish.

Every Friday, The Wave staff will remain in the water or at the water's edge for the entire swimming period.

Lunch & Snack

Campers will eat lunch with their Surf daily. Please remember the following guidelines:

- Campers should bring their lunch daily.
- The Wave will provide a snack each afternoon (i.e. pretzels, fruit cup, baked chips, goldfish, etc.). If your child has strict dietary restrictions, please send snacks from home.
- Parents may visit their child during lunch or snack, but not during any other activities. Visitors should sign in at The Wave Welcome Desk.
- If a camper does not bring their lunch, The Wave will provide a lunch and add \$5 to the parent's account.

Lost & Found

Any items remaining in camper cubbies each Friday will be put in the Lost & Found, located at The Wave Welcome Desk. At mid-summer and summer's end, all items will be taken to the local Goodwill.

Medication

If your child must take medication (this includes prescription *and* over-the-counter medication) during the hours of The Wave, please request a Medication Form, complete it, and submit it to The Wave Welcome Desk.

Items Prohibited

Any prohibited items will be taken from the camper and returned to the parent at the end of the day. The following items are prohibited:

- Cell phones
- Digital or video cameras
- Toys, books, games, DVD's, CD's, videos

Of course, any dangerous or illegal items or substances brought to camp will result in the camper's immediate dismissal from The Wave.

Drop Off Procedure

Drop Off takes place between **7:00-9:00am**. On the first day of camp, please allow additional time in your schedule to accompany your child inside to check in. As soon as you feel comfortable, you are free to drop off your child at the entrance labeled Fellowship Hall A. There will be a Wave Staff member stationed to greet them at the door. Staff members will help your child check in, store their lunch and cubby items, and walk to their first activity room. **If you arrive later than 9:00am, please walk your child in as there will not be a greeter stationed at the door.**

Pick Up Procedures

Before 4:00pm (walk-in):

Please refrain from picking up your child before 4:00pm if at all possible, as our camp runs much more smoothly when everyone is in place. If you do need to pick up early, report to The Wave Welcome Desk with your child's Security Number. A staff member will escort your child to the appropriate activity.

Between 4:00pm-6:00pm (curbside):

Between the hours of 4:00-6:00pm, you may take advantage of curbside pick up. Simply drive to the back of the line at the Fellowship Hall entrance, show the designated staff member your child's Car Tag (received upon registration), and wait for your child to come outside. We try to make this as simple and quick as possible! **If you do not have your child's Car Tag, you must check out at The Wave Welcome Desk. No child will be released to anyone who refuses to follow our Security Procedures.**

If someone other than your child's parent/guardian is picking them up from The Wave, remember that this person MUST have your child's Car Tag or Security Number in order to do so.

Late Pick Up Fees

Supervision for your child is **only** provided from 7:00am-6:00pm each day. In the event that you pick up your camper after 6:00pm you will be charged **\$1.00 per minute**. Please contact us as soon as possible if there is an emergency or an extreme situation that will cause you to be late. These situations will be taken into consideration.

Visitors

Any person who wishes to visit a camper or staff member at The Wave must abide by the following guidelines:

- Visitors are only welcome during Lunch or Snack.
- Visitors must check-in with their current photo ID and their child's Security Number at The Wave Welcome Desk.
- Visitors will leave their car keys at The Wave Welcome Desk for the duration of their stay.
- The Wave reserves the right to ask any visitor to leave at any time.

The purpose of all of our policies and procedures is to ensure that the campers have a fun AND safe environment, so we will not compromise our policies when it comes to the safety, security, or the well-being of our campers and staff.

Discipline Philosophy

Please read these policies with your child(ren) so that everyone can have a fun and enjoyable experience at The Wave.

The Wave asks campers to observe 3 basic rules:

- 1. Respect others**
- 2. Respect yourself**
- 3. Respect property**

At The Wave, we believe that in most cases, if we strive to build a special relationship with each camper, they will obey the rules that we set out for them more often than not. In instances when a camper is showing "minor" disrespect (i.e. talking during an activity, straying from the group, not following instructions, etc.) the following actions will be taken

Action steps for minor disrespect:

1. Staff member will describe the misbehavior to the camper and remind them of their expectations.
2. If the behavior persists, the camper will be removed from the current activity and given a 5 to 10 minute time-out.
3. If the minor disrespect occurs a third time, the camper's parent/guardian will receive a phone call and a Discipline Form during Pick Up.

In the instances where a camper is repeatedly being defiant towards any staff member, or physically aggressive towards another person, we will take the following course of action:

Action steps for major disrespect:

1. Camper will be removed from their group until parents have been contacted.
2. Parents will be contacted to discuss the cause of the misbehavior and what steps can be taken to avoid future misbehavior.
3. The child will receive a consequence that was agreed upon by their parents and The Wave Director, and will start with a fresh slate the next day.

If a camper is ever physically or verbally violent with other campers or staff, the camper will be asked to leave The Wave for a period of time decided on by The Wave Directors.

Weekly Camper Awards

During Closing Assembly each Friday, the Group Leaders will select one camper from their Group to receive the SURFER award. The SURFER will be given to the camper who best exhibits the following qualities:

Selfless – always puts others first!

Understanding – thoughtful and considerate!

Respectful – follows all directions and treats everyone kindly!

Friendly – nice and welcoming to everyone!

Encouraging – compliments others and pushes them to succeed at everything!

Radiant – cheerful and radiates the love of Christ!

Special Camp-Wide Activities

Opening Assembly –Every Monday we watch and perform skits, sing songs, pray together, and kick off the weekly theme!

Tsunami - Every Tuesday an awesome field trip, which we call Tsunami, comes to us!

First Fruits- We gather together Tuesday and Thursday mornings to hear from our Wave summer staff about how the Lord has worked in their life!

Tidal Tracks – During registration, Surf 1 & 2 campers and his/her parents will choose from a list of special activities we call Tidal Tracks that they want to be involved in throughout the summer. Tidal Tracks include Dribble Dribble, Jump Jump (basketball), Kickin' It Wave Style (soccer), Art & Soul, Lights- Camera- Action! (movie making), Bring It On (dance), and Lego Land. Campers will attend one Tidal Track each Tuesday, and another each Friday. The goal is that by the end of the summer, campers will have progressively learned skills in two areas of interest.

J.A.M. (Jesus And Me) - Every Wednesday morning we have our very own Wave Worship Service!

Swim Day – Every Friday we swim at the YMCA from 9:00am-11:00am!

Closing Assembly –Every Friday we play games, give out Surfer Awards, watch a picture slideshow with the week's highlights and talk about the fun we had that week!

Surfs 1 & 2 (K-5th) Standard Activities

Our goal is to keep campers active in a high-energy, structured environment that promotes growth, fun and excitement. Each activity is led by an instructor who plans creative games and projects, while Group Leaders participate with their campers. Each day, campers will rotate approximately every 40 minutes throughout the following activities:

Indoor Rec – Organized recreational activities in the Gym

Outdoor Rec – Organized recreational activities on the Front Fields

Word – Learning about God’s Word

What in the World!? – Learn about God’s creation and participate in exciting experiments!

1-2-3- Draw! – Various creative art activities and projects

Sound Waves – Musical activities and songs

Beantown – Video games, karaoke, and dress-up

Hang Time – Team-building and get-to-know-you games

Wavelicious – Delicious cooking activity that corresponds with weekly theme

Lifesavers – Service project activity, putting our faith into ACTION!

‘R’ and ‘R’ – Rest & Relaxation

Surfs 1 & 2 (K-5th) Sample Schedule

At The Wave, no two days are alike! But the following sample schedule will give you a general idea of what to expect from a given week:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Drop Off	Drop Off	Drop Off	Drop Off	Drop Off
Opening Assembly	First Fruits	Good Mornin'	First Fruits	Swim Day
	Tsunami	J.A.M.	Word	
			In Rec	
In Rec	In Rec	Out Rec		
<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>
Out Rec	Tsunami cont.	Library	Soundwaves	Closing
Soundwaves	Tidal Tracks	Out Rec	Theme Party	Tidal Tracks
Bean Town		Lifesavers		
Hang Time	R&R	Hang Time	What in the World!?	R&R
Movie/Pick Up	Movie/Pick Up	Movie/Pick Up	Movie/Pick Up	Movie/Pick Up

Surf 3 (6th-8th)

Surf 3, our sub-camp for 6th-8th graders, is a relatively new part of The Wave. Started in 2009, Surf 3 was met with great love and success! Because Middle School students are vastly different than our K-5th campers, our approach to the Surf 3 activities and schedule greatly differ from the younger Surfs. Here are some ways in which Surf 3 is unique:

- **Emphasis on Service.** While the younger Surfs are learning about what it's like to have a relationship with Christ, Surf 3 students zero in on what it means to serve. In addition to learning about personal growth through Bible Study, we participate in on-campus **and off-campus service projects** throughout the summer, such as visiting the Gallatin Housing Authority, serving Sumner County schools, and assembling goody bags for those in need. Our students absolutely LOVE to serve!
- **One Big Group.** Because the development of social relationships is essential for (and loved by!) Middle School students, we try to foster this need and promote healthy friendships between campers. Campers do spend some time each day separated into gender-specific small groups, but most of their time is spent as one large group (approximately 30 campers).
- **Modesty.** Although modesty (in dress, actions and words) is important for all of our Surfs, it's especially important for our Surf 3 campers, who are even more bombarded every day with sexual messages. That's why we make a point to ask parents and campers to pay special attention to campers' clothes, swim suits and any other item or attitude they may bring to camp. We take this very seriously, and will not hesitate to call a parent and discuss any issue we're concerned about.
- **Location.** For the majority of each day, Surf 3 meets in The Underground, which is the basement-level space used by the FBCH Student Ministry. We LOVE this space – it includes classrooms, a 3-on-3 basketball court, a café area and a game room. We're very grateful to the Student Ministry for allowing us to take advantage of it!
- **Schedule.** Surf 3 operates on its own daily schedule, as do the younger Surfs. The goal for Surf 3 is to be loosely structured each day, opposed to the younger Surfs who are more strictly structured. Surf 3 students enjoy a bit more freedom than their younger counterparts, but they have plenty of activities to fill their time. Also, all three Surfs join together for a camp-wide activity each day.
- **Activities:** Surf 3 activities include but are not limited to:
 - Recreation - JoshFit class, sometimes outdoor games
 - Hang Time - get-to-know-you and team-building games
 - Wavelicious - cooking activity
 - Bible Study - led by FBCH Middle School Minister
 - Round Table - gender-specific discussion time led by Surf 3 staff
 - Art - varied creative activities
 - J.A.M - worship time
 - Mythbusters! – prove or BUST a new myth each week!
 - Swim Day - each Friday, joined by younger Surfs
 - Service Projects - varies from week to week
- **Staff.** Each summer, the Surf 3 staff consists of young men and women who sincerely have a heart for Middle School students. It takes a special person to desire to work with 12-14 year olds every day! We prefer college students who are at least 20 years old, and who have experience working with teenagers. Many of our staff members are individuals who desire to one day work in youth ministry or secondary education. The staff-to-camper ratio is approximately 1:8. Each staff member is trained specifically to handle the ways in which Surf 3 campers are unique.
- **Discipline.** For our Surf 3 campers, we approach discipline pretty much the same way we do with the younger campers. We trust that if we build a caring relationship with

each camper, they will follow the guidelines we set out for them more often than not. It's rare that we have a discipline issue with Surf 3 campers. However if we do have an issue (i.e. poor attitude, bullying or physical aggression), we will not hesitate to call the camper's parent(s) and come up with a solution together.

- **FBCH Summer Camp** (formerly known as **Kamp Kaboom**). As much as possible, we try to partner with the FBCH Middle School Ministry in order to have fun and serve with other Middle School students. One way we do this is by attending the annual FBCH Summer Camp. Summer Camp is an intense week of bonding and Bible Study that is almost always a catalyst for spiritual growth in students' lives. The dates for 2012 are Monday, June 25th through Friday, June 29th. All Surf 3 students are highly encouraged to attend Summer Camp, we even make it possible for them to attend **at no additional cost to parents!** The cost for Summer Camp is \$220; however by finding sponsors for our Wave campers, we take pleasure in sending them to Summer Camp for the same price that they would pay to come to The Wave for that week. (*This applies to campers who are registered for 3+ weeks of The Wave.*) You will receive plenty of additional Summer Camp information before summer begins. Because we feel so strongly about our campers attending Summer Camp, **there will be no on-campus activities or staff for Surf 3 the week of June 25th-June 29th (The Wave Week 5).**

Surf 3 Sample Schedule

This is a sample of what campers *might* be doing each day. Schedules change weekly!

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Drop Off	Drop Off	Drop Off	Drop Off	Drop Off
Camp-Wide Opening Assembly	Camp-Wide Tsunami (special event)	J.A.M.	Special Event / Service Project	Camp-Wide Swim Day
		Bible Study		
		Hang Time		
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
Off- Campus Outing & Lunch!	Varied Activities: Rec/Art/Etc.	Varied Activities: Rec/Art/Etc.	Camp-Wide Theme Party	Hang Time
				Camp-Wide Closing Assembly
Movie/Pick Up	Movie/Pick Up	Movie/Pick Up	Movie/Pick Up	Movie/Pick Up

The Wave Contact Information

The Wave Welcome Desk & Directors Office Locations:
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