

## **Camp Preparation Guide**

Each camper/staff member needs to bring:

- bed linens (pillow, fitted sheet, sleeping bag, etc.)
- towels
- personal items
- play clothes
- sweatshirt and pants for evenings
- nice outfit for dance
- swimsuit (no string bikinis)
- tennis shoes
- an extra pair of shoes
- sunscreen
- bug spray

Please remember that this is a church camp and proper clothing always needs to be worn (no short shorts or skimpy tops). Counselors and staff have the right to ask anyone to change if they feel the clothing is inappropriate.

We provide three (3) healthy meals a day plus snacks, so please do not send candy or food with your child. Remember that keeping sweets in the cabins just invites unwelcome guests. **CAMP BLUESTONE DOES NOT ALLOW SNACKS AND BEVERAGES OTHER THAN WATER IN THE CABINS.** 

We do ask that each camper bring a bag of cookies, chips and/or drink mix (lemonade/Kool-Aid, Gatorade, etc.)

Parents and Guardians: Please remind campers that not everyone signed the photo release form. Therefore, no pictures or videos are to be added to social media unless they know those people in the photo have approval.

Our camp medic will review the medical information with you at registration. Please bring any medications your child will need in the prescription bottle with only a week's amount of pills and necessary instructions.

Also, during registration you can purchase camp pictures for \$10 that includes a (5" x 7") cabin picture and an (8"x 10") camp group photo. A photographer will take pictures at the beginning of the week, and they can be picked up Friday during check-out.

After registration, dinner will be held at 4 p.m. in the dining hall; parents/guardians are welcome to stay and join us. Our kitchen staff will be preparing for the week, so helping them with this meal will be greatly appreciated. Camp begins at 5 p.m. and we ask that everyone, but campers and staff be out of the camp by this time. From Sunday until Friday morning, we have a closed camp. Emergencies are understandable.



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Friday, on our last day of camp, all parents and family are invited to attend worship service with us at 10:30 a.m. inside the chapel. Check-out begins after worship service until 1 p.m. We must be out by this time so the camp can prepare for another group coming in. You must check-out with the Camp Director.

## **DRIVING DIRECTIONS from I-64 at Exit 161**

Traveling west on I-64, take the Alta Exit 161. Turn left off the ramp onto Route 12 and drive twelve miles to Alderson. Route 12 merges with Route 3 in Alderson. Continue on Route 12/3. The Greenbrier River will be on your left. Pass through Pence Springs and Talcott. Continue on Route 12/3. About 3.5 miles past Talcott, you will cross the Greenbrier River. Turn left after crossing the bridge to continue following Route 12. (Following Route 3 will take you to Hinton) Drive seven miles to Unincorporated Forest Hill. Look for the Forest Hill Post Office on your left. A couple hundred yards past the post office, the road will crest at the old entrance Seminole Road which is now barricaded. There will be a Bluestone Camp & Retreat sign on the right as you approach. The Forest Hill Methodist Church and Wakerobin Gallery will be on your left. PROCEED ANOTHER COUPLE HUNDRED YARDS down the road to the NEW INTERSECTION of Seminole Road at Route 12. Turn right onto Seminole Road. Follow the signs! It's a 7-mile drive that will take you about 20 minutes. There will be one fork in the road after about 4 miles. Veer right at the fork. You'll know you're close when you come upon the Low Gap Methodist Church, which will be on your right at the intersection where you will turn left to come down the mountain to Bluestone. PUT YOUR VEHICLE IN LOW GEAR AND PROCEED DOWN THE MOUNTAIN TO BLUESTONE!

## TRAVEL TIMES FROM MAJOR CITIES

Below are drive time estimates from some major cities. Individual travel times vary, but this gives you a general idea of how long it takes to get to Bluestone.

West Virginia		<u>Virginia</u>		North Carolina	
Charleston	2.0 hours	Blacksburg	1.2 hours	Greensboro	3.5 hours
Huntington	3.0 hours	Roanoke	2.0 hours	Charlotte	4.0 hours
Parkersburg	3.5 hours	Lexington	2.5 hours	Ashville	4.0 hours
Morgantown	4.5 hours	Richmond	4.5 hours	Raleigh	4.5 hours
<u>Kentucky</u>		<u>Ohio</u>		Tennesee	
Lexington	5.0 hours	Columbus	5.0 hours	Bristol	2.5 hours
Louisville	6.0 hours	Cleveland	6.0 hours	Knoxville	4.5 hours