



Welcome to Summer Camp 2026!

We believe that Summer Camp can be a huge milestone in the lives of junior high and high school youth. In preparation for the week, we want to ask God to come into this experience in a special way. Whether you're a participant, a camp volunteer or a parent/guardian, pray alongside us, that...

- Teenagers would come to know Jesus for the first time.
- Teenagers who know Jesus would rediscover Him in new ways.
- God would move powerfully in the lives of our youth in ways we could never ask, think or imagine.

We're buttoning up logistics, praying that God would move in every moment - planned and unplanned - and this milestone week would be pivotal in the life of every teenager and volunteer who participates!

We know leading your teenager is a sacred trust - we treat it with high regard! Thank you for allowing us to be a small part in your family's faith story!

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Summer Camp 2026

What is it?

Summer Camp is a week long experience designed for Grace Youth and their friends. It's an opportunity to spend a week disconnected from distractions and discover new things about God, forge new relationships with new friends and fortify existing ones. We believe camp is a life-changing experience in multiple ways for teenagers – one in which we see God show up in unexpected and incredible ways!

When is it?

Monday, June 15 - Friday, June 19, 2026

Additional important dates to save to get the best camp experience:

Pre-Camp Party | Wednesday, May 13 | 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Youth & parents will start in the rec center - then parents will be dismissed to O104. This is a vital part of the experience where kids will become acquainted with their small groups, leaders, and we get the camp experience going. Please make every effort to be there!

Parent Breakout | Wednesday, May 13 | 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Parents will meet in the O104. We'll go over details for the trip, answer questions, etc. We'll also tell you how you can help enhance your kid's experience throughout the week!

Camp Check-in | Monday, June 15 | 12:30 PM

Grace Community Main Lobby

Camp Pick-up | Monday, June 19 | 11:00 AM

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Camp Report | Sunday, June 28 | both services

Grace Community Worship Center

Where is it?

Zephyr Baptist Encampment | Sandia, TX | CampZephyr.org

Students will stay in cabins with air conditioning.

Beds will be provided, but you must bring your own bedding! Sleeping bag/pillow or twin-sized sheets, etc.

What will we do?

We'll have a TON of experiences throughout the week, including:

- Large group worship experiences for everyone.
- Church group time with only our youth group.
- Guided rec time - color groups.

- Free time activities (lake, pool, basketball, snack shack, and MORE!)

What's the cost?

\$150 | total cost. Full payment must be submitted by March 16 to confirm registration.

ALL PAYMENTS SUBMITTED ARE NON-REFUNDABLE

We make a commitment to Zephyr in October - the year prior to summer camp. So once payments are submitted and spaces fill up we will not be able to issue refunds for any reason*. Many of the dollars paid are immediately forwarded to outside vendors and cannot be returned to Grace Community after submission.

*in the event we are able to fill the spot with a paid registration, we will issue a refund

Registration closes when spaces are full or by March 16 (whichever comes first).

Payment plans are available, as well as a limited number of scholarships. Just e-mail Pastor Darren to set something up. darren@gracecommunitycc.com

All lodging, transportation, meals, and programming costs are covered. However, students will want money for discretionary spending during free time, and for the snack shack and/or camp store. Snack shack items range from 50¢ to \$3. Camp store items range from \$1 to \$40. Cafe costs range from \$4 - \$8. All areas take credit/debit cards, cash, ApplePay and CashApp.

Zephyr has an additional registration form?

YES! Beginning Feb 1, 2026, Zephyr's individual form will become available. Everyone who registers will also need a completed form for Zephyr. A link will be e-mailed once the Grace registration form is completed (or on February 1, 2026, if Grace registration is completed prior to that date!)

What should a student pack?

Packing lists are available at gracecommunitycc.com/parents or CampZephyr.com.

Technology Policy

Zephyr does not allow electronics of any kind. No cell phones, ear buds, gaming devices, etc. Staff and volunteers will make sure teenagers have access to cell phones for calls home, if needed. **(PLEASE HAVE THIS CONVERSATION WITH YOUR STUDENT!)**

Behavior Policy

We have a zero tolerance policy for the following behavior infractions:

- Bringing or using alcohol, weapons, tobacco, drugs, pornography, vapes, technology
- Bullying, pranking, physical violence
- Illegal activity of any kind
- Sexual activity

Violations of these zero tolerance infractions will result in a trip home at parent or guardian expense.

Teen Expectations

- Keep the main thing the main thing- Focus on God first!
- Represent yourself, your parents, our church, leaders, and ministry well
- Great attitudes!
- No Lone Wolves - connect with a group
- Follow all Grace Community and venue (Zephyr) guidelines.
- Follow the schedule. Nothing is optional.
- No practical jokes or pranking

Trip Medication Policy

Prescription Medication:

- Prescriptions will be turned in to the Rx station at check in. Prescriptions must be in their own pharmacy-labeled bottle, student's name only.
- Please only send enough dosages for the time that we are at camp.
- All meds must have an accompanying med form. (available on the website)
- The only prescriptions allowed to be held by the students are epi pens and inhalers. These will still need to be included on the completed med sheet.
- DO NOT SEND OTC medicines*. Our team will have a full supply of basic OTC medication, as well as Zephyr's nurse station.
- Medication will be kept safe and secure with Zephyr's camp nurse.
- Kids will receive reminders to take their medication at meals and at the end of the day. **IT IS THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE STUDENT TO TAKE THEIR MEDICATION.**
- Any remaining medication/prescription bottles should be retrieved at pick-up when we return to Grace Community
- Unclaimed medication/bottles will be destroyed immediately.

OTC Medication:*

- Each dorm will have a supply of general OTC medication. (Advil, Pepto Bismol, etc. Medication is available on request.)
- Any dosages will be signed out by the teenager on a med log.
- If your students takes regular OTC meds as part of their daily routine, please include these on the med sheet and check-in at the Rx station.

TEENAGERS SHOULD NOT HAVE ANY MEDICATION, PRESCRIPTION OR OTC, WITH THEM OR IN THEIR LUGGAGE WHEN THE BUSES DEPART GRACE COMMUNITY.

Lost & Found Policy

Any items left behind after pick-up at Grace Community will be held at the rec center only until Sunday, June 28, 2026.. If you believe you may have something in the lost & found at the conclusion of the trip, email darren@gracecommunitycc.com to confirm and arrange pickup.

STAY IN THE LOOP!

Social media will help you engage with summer camp from a distance! Follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1480934802912909>

Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/graceyouth_gcc

QUESTIONS?

If you have any follow up questions or need clarification on any of the information provided above, please contact darren@gracecommunitycc.com. We are here to help!

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO AN INCREDIBLE WEEK!

Again, please keep our students, volunteers, and staff in your prayers. We look forward to seeing God move in all of our lives in special ways!