

## FAQ's About Summer 2024 Camp Asbury Resident Camps

- ❖ **Where do campers eat?** Asbury Dining Hall or outdoors under large dining tent if dining hall is at max capacity. (Adventure Base campers will eat some of their meals at their campsite; a small group cookout or two is a scheduled activity within most programs).
- ❖ **What do campers eat?** Three healthy family-style meals and an evening snack each day. Camp Asbury also provides a salad bar for most meals with fresh vegetables and additional foods. No pop, candy or snacks are sold in the camp store.
- ❖ **Where are the bathrooms?** Otterbein Retreat Center and Asbury lower level for the cabin area. (Adventure Base campers and some special theme camps utilize Shaw Retreat Center or Epworth Retreat Center).
- ❖ **How often do campers shower?** Three times during the week, and additionally as needed.
- ❖ **Where do campers sleep?** In gender-specific cabins. (At the Adventure Base, campers sleep in gender-specific tipis or Adirondack shelters).
- ❖ **What is the ratio of staff to campers?** 1: 6 for ages 6-8; 1:8 for ages 9-14; 1:10 for ages 15-18.
- ❖ **Should my camper bring snacks to camp, or can I send a care package during the week?** We ask that campers do not bring any snacks or receive snacks in a care package, as it is an easy way to attract ants and critters in the cabin.
- ❖ **Where is the swimming pool?** Asbury utilizes a health department approved natural waterfront for on-site aquatic activities.
- ❖ **What is a "Home in the Woods"?** Every small group is assigned a unique destination in Camp Asbury's woods for their week at camp. A "Home in the Woods" can be visited multiple times for such activities as a cookout, a Bible study, a sleep out or a small group campfire.
- ❖ **Can I e-mail my camper?** Families can send a daily one-way e-mail to an email address that will be provided at check-in. E-mails are printed and delivered once per day with other mail. **Campers still love to receive real mail at camp as well!**
- ❖ **Does our family need to be United Methodist to attend Camp Asbury?** No, Camp Asbury welcomes families of all Christian communions and families with no church connection to participate in Asbury summer camp programs. Asbury's staff represents a variety of Christian communions. Camp Asbury welcomes all.

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- ❖ ***How do you deliver the summer 2024 theme: “Faith Alive”***— “Let all that you do be done in love.”  
-1 Corinthians 16:14  
This summer, all three sites will be focused on the theme “Faith Alive.” We will focus on five community faith practices: reading the Bible, worshipping, praying, providing hospitality, and living a life of service to the world. These five are a great launching point for campers to incorporate faith into everyday living. Our key verse for this summer’s curriculum is the passage from 1 Corinthians mentioned above. For both the Corinthians and us, if we remember only one thing about living out our faith, it is to let love be our rule.
- ❖ ***How does the weekly theme affect my camper’s experience?*** The weekly theme is a way to bring all ages of the resident camp together for fun, creative and goofy camp-wide activities—usually in the evening. The weekly theme is a way of adding distinctive “flavor” to each week—especially for campers who return for multiple weeks of the summer. Regardless of the weekly theme your camper will have the opportunity to do all the classic camp activities that Camp Asbury has to offer. No two days at camp are ever the same. No two weeks are the same either. Campers don’t have to be in “love” with the weekly theme to enjoy their week at camp—it’s just a way of adding spice to the week.
- ❖ ***How is health care handled?*** Camp Asbury utilizes the supervision of a camp nurse who is on site a portion of each day. The camp nurse is in charge of community well-being including the administration of medication, and the treatment of minor and routine health concerns. Small group counselors are trained in first aid, CPR, AED.
- ❖ ***How many campers does Camp Asbury serve?*** Camp Asbury is committed to building relationships in small groups. An average camper population of 30-70 campers per week is organized into 4 to 6 small groups. Camp Asbury’s organization and population size affords your camper plenty of individual attention. Your camper will not get lost in the “crowd.” We consider this a good thing.

***You’re invited to direct any questions that you have about Camp Asbury or its programs to the camp directors by phoning 330.569.3171 or e-mailing [info@campasbury.org](mailto:info@campasbury.org).***

