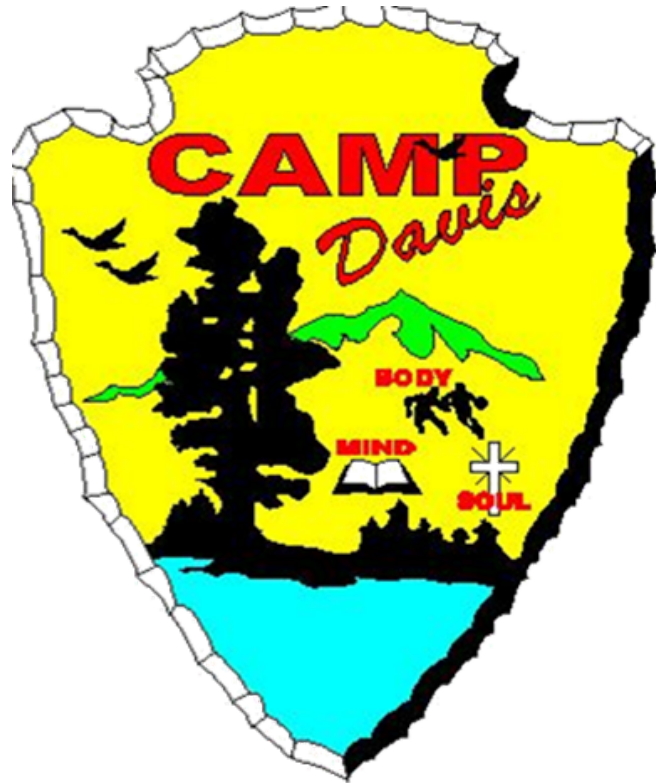


PARENTS HANDBOOK



Allegheny East Conference

Camp Danny Davis

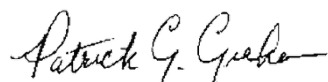
Dear Parents,

Welcome to **Camp Danny Davis(CDD)**! We are delighted that you are going to share your children with our Camp Davis family this year. We are anticipating an exciting summer of activities and fun for our campers. Together with our staff, we expect to have a wonderful summer experience.

This manual provides important information regarding CDD. Take note of our mission, goals, policies and procedures and feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns.

On behalf of the entire camp staff, we thank you for entrusting your child/ren to us at Camp Davis. You will realize that your child's summer at CDD will be a summer of **Jesus, fun, friendship and learning**. We have great plan for this year and our goal continues to be, providing a safe and fun environment that will make a difference in the campers lives today and for eternity.

See you at Camp!



Patrick Graham
Allegheny East Conference
Youth & Children's Ministries Director
Camp Danny Davis Director

CAMP DANNY DAVIS MISSION

Camp Danny Davis (CDD) is an entity of the Allegheny East Conference Youth & Children's Ministries Department. The mission of CDD is to build confidence in tomorrow's leaders by providing programming that allows campers to set realistic goals and gives them the opportunity to experience success. This will be implemented by focusing on four pillars: *Jesus, fun, friendship, and learning*.

CAMP DANNY DAVIS GOALS

At CDD our goal is to provide a safe and fun environment for campers that will make a difference in their lives today and for eternity. We believe our camp is one of the few places on earth where God can touch the lives of children without having to compete with unnecessary distractions.

Camp Davis empowers campers, ages 9 – 16, to develop independence, self-esteem, spirituality, and life-long friendships. It presents our campers with a variety of activities including creative arts, experiments, community service and much more.

Our camp focuses on four pillars: **Jesus** – “Experience Jesus”, **Fun** – “Fun Environment”, **Friendship** – “Lasting Friendship” and **Learning** – “Mastering New Skills”.

Jesus – “*Experience Jesus*”

- To create an experience that campers would be able to see Jesus by the camp staff.
- To provide daily worship experience.
- To conduct relevant discussions with campers to help them make wise decisions.
- To encourage campers to develop a close relationship with Jesus.

Fun – “*Fun Environment*”

- To ensure that campers feel safe while taking part in various activities
- To provide fun interaction that keep campers actively engaged in activities.
- To ensure that all age groups can participate in relevant activities and games.
- To encourage staff to be enthusiastic, energetic and fun to be around.

Friendship – “*Lasting Friendship*”

- To provide opportunities for campers to interact with each other in a wholesome environment.
- To engage campers in meaningful activities that encourage them to make new friends.
- To facilitate fun activities to develop lasting friendship.

Learning – “*Mastering New Skills*”

- To provide classes that allow campers to learn new skills.
- To encourage campers to challenge themselves as they participate in new skills classes.
- To show campers the advantage of mastering their physical skills.

CAMP DANNY DAVIS OVERVIEW

CDD is an overnight camp that operates for two weeks in July catering to campers ages 9 – 16. During the two weeks campers engage in religious activities, sports, fun trips, skills classes, and other fun activities. Camp operation is a team effort with Camp Director, Assistant Director, Village Director, Program Director, Girls/Boys Director, Counselors, Instructors, Health (Nurse). Everyone work together to produce a safe and fun experience where our campers can feel accepted successful and energized.

Contact Us



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WHEN & WHERE

CAMP DATES

Camp Danny Davis is a two-week camp usually around the same time every year (the second week of July).

CAMP LOCATION

Physical Address - 322 Pine Forge Road, Boyertown PA 19512

Registration takes place in Conference Center 1 (CC1) (the larger building in the parking lot area)

Campers stay in cabins on the ground (known as the square)

PICK UP AND DROP OFF

Pick-up and drop-off will be at CC1 & parking lot area. Please be sure to complete the Authorized pick-up form, this will allow us to release your child/ren to someone else.

ON-SITE REGISTRATION/SIGN-IN/OUT

On-site registration and sign-in begins on Sunday at 1:00 p.m. On the last day of camp campers will be dismissed at 10:00 a.m. for pick-up

CAMP STAFF

Child development is the most significant ingredient in a healthy camp experience. This is why our camp staff is the real secret to our success. Our counselors love and appreciate all our campers and express that by the daily attention that is given to each camper.

We take great pride in our commitment to recruiting, training and keeping the highest quality staff. Camp Davis is dedicated to exceptional staff supervision. This ensures the best possible care, instruction and supervision for our campers. Our counselors are CPR and First Aid Certified, and are dedicated and committed to caring for your child.

SUMMER CAMP EXPERIENCE

A wide range of activities encourage campers to pursue new interests, cultivate friendships and develop strengths. Campers thrive as they develop fitness and sports skills, and pursue choice-based arts, adventure and athletics activities.

NUTRITION AND WELLNESS

All meals provided to our campers at Camp Davis are vegetarian.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

A mixture of individual and cabin summer camp adventure activities teach campers to solve problems, encourage one another, and share learning experiences in a healthy, fun environment of Pine Fore, PA.

CLASSES

We provide a variety of classes that give campers the experience to show their creative and educational skills.

SPORTS

Counselors coach these activities so that campers gain skills and confidence in their desired specialty. Below are some of the options offered:

- Basketball
- Soccer
- Volleyball
- Football

DAILY EXERCISE

At Camp Davis campers experience daily exercise which is a great way to feel better, boost health and have fun!

TRIPS

Trips are an exciting part of our camp. It is important for the safety of all campers to wear their camp t-shirts on ALL trip days. We provide two shirts per camper on the day of arrival. We do two trips every week, with a yearly rotation. Places we visit

- Hershey Park
- Dorney Park
- Ozzy's Family Fun Center
- Arnolds Family Fun Center
- Urban Air Adventurer Park
- Sky Zone
- Limerick Bowling
- Jay Lanes Bowling
- Sight & Sound

CAMP BANQUET

Each year we close Camp Davis with a banquet especially organized for the campers. Yearly themes is decided by the staff.

ITEMS TO BRING

Bibles	Everyday clothes/jeans	Sneakers/Shoe/socks
Pajamas	Rain gear	Modest one-piece swimsuit
Underwear	Towel for pool	Toothbrush & Toothpaste
Soap	Comb/brush	Towel & washcloth
Insect repellent	Jacket and sweater	Flashlight and batteries
Mattress cover	Laundry bag	Twin bedding & pillow
Spending money	Semi-formal outfit for banquet	

DO NOT BRING

Weapons	Ammunition or fireworks or anything resembles such items	
Tobacco	Drugs & Alcohol	Immodest clothing
Jewelry	Cell phone	Electronic games and other equipment

GUIDELINES & POLICIES

IMAGE RELEASE

For no compensation, I hereby consent and authorize the Allegheny East Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists ('AEC'), or its assigns, to use my name, as well as my likeness, photos, videos and other information for the purpose of news releases, advertising, publicity, publication or distribution in any manner whatsoever. I further consent to such use in their present form and to any changes, alterations, or additions thereto. I hereby release the Allegheny East Conference of Seventh-day Adventists from all liability in connection with such uses.

CELL PHONE POLICY

At Camp Danny Davis, we have established the following Cell Phone Policy. Campers are NOT PERMITTED to have cell phones at camp. We believe that being at camp is an opportunity for your child to experience a world beyond home. This allows children to develop autonomy, independence, and a stronger sense of self. It allows them to make new friends, take responsibility for themselves and their cabin-mates, problem solve, and mature a bit. We respect and appreciate the wonderful relationship youth and families have, but if our campers are to enjoy camp fully they must be able to develop this independence.

Cell phones are expensive and can get lost or stolen, and Camp Danny Davis will not be held responsible for any damage or loss of any cell phone.

If there is an emergency or we are concerned about the youth's wellbeing, we will contact you immediately.

We need your support and help so please do not allow your child to break the rules and take a cell phone to camp.

If we learn that any camper has a cell phone in camp, we will take it away and store it in our camp safe until closing day. Please take the time to discuss this policy with your camper.

SAFETY IN PUBLIC PLACES

Camp Davis periodically takes campers to publicly accessible areas. To ensure camper safety during all situations involving public places, the following will be implemented:

- ◆ Campers will be organized into groups, so that there will be at least one staff member for every five - ten campers.
- ◆ If Camper becomes separated from the group, he/she is to meet the rest of the group at a pre-arranged location and time.
- ◆ If a camper is approached by a stranger, and asked to accompany him/her, the camper should turn away and attempt to find a staff member, or location personnel.
- ◆ Campers are required to be with their assigned staff member at all times.
- ◆ Campers are informed that if there is a problem, they are to contact a staff member of the location.
- ◆ Campers are informed that they must be with one other camper at all times.

RELEASE OF MINORS AND VERIFICATION OF ABSENTEES

It is the policy of Camp Davis to release campers only to the parent, legal guardian, or an authorized person. On the camp application, there is a place for parents to list whom their child(ren) can be released to, on the pick-up date or any other time during camp. A check-out system is also implemented.

GUESTS

A “Camp Guest” is anyone on the premises of Camp Davis, regardless of length of stay, who is not a registered camper, or recognized staff member at the camp. All camp guests are asked to register at the camp office to secure clearance to be on the camp grounds. A pass will be issued to indicate that the guest has been cleared. Any person seen on the camp area would be asked by any staff member to go to the camp office or leave the grounds.

PERSONAL PROPERTY AND CLOTHING

Camp Davis cannot take responsibility for personal property brought to camp. If campers bring any device that has been prohibited and is seen by a staff member, it will be confiscated and held until the end of camp.

Any clothing or personal materials that are brought to camp should be clearly marked with your child’s name. There will be a lost and found container at camp and will be kept for one week after camp.

ALCOHOL, DRUGS, FIREARMS

Campers are prohibited from using or possessing alcohol, drugs and firearms during Camp Davis and on the property of Allegheny East Conference,

SPECIAL CONDITIONS AND MEDICATIONS

If your child has any special challenges, conditions or allergies please bring it to our attention and make sure that it is included on your child’s health form. This knowledge will help us care for him/her and maximizing his/her camp experience, as we address each individual’s needs properly and eliminate unnecessary difficulties.

The camp has a nurse dedicated to overseeing and administering medication and dealing with health-related concerns. All medication to be administered during camp must be clearly marked with camper’s name, dosage instructions and be provided in its original container. This will all be done during drop off to camp. Campers are not allowed to hold medications in their cabins, it will be held in the health room.

EMERGENCIES

All campers must have a completed and signed health history form. In case of any medical emergency requiring more than basic first aid, the parents/guardians will be immediately notified. If we cannot reach the parents, the emergency contact on file will be notified. If needed we will call emergency services to assist with treatment or the child will be taken to the ER.

COMMUNICATION

If you need to reach someone at camp please use the contact information stated in the beginning of the manual.

HAVE A HAPPY & HEALTHY SUMMER!