Dear Camper,

THANK YOU for coming to Buffalo Gap Camp this summer!!! Are you ready for some fun? We are!

We have included a list of things for you to bring to camp. If you have these things, we know you will be well prepared and ready for a great time!

- >>>>>Bible < < < < < Seriously!
 Please send your camper with a Bible!
 We don't want anyone to be left out during the lessons and worship times!
 - For non-readers or early readers - this year especially, it would be great if non-readers or early readers brought their own children's bible.
- Hand sanitizer.
- Medications. The Camp Medic will keep these items and distribute them as prescribed.
- Play Clothes for every day at camp plus a couple of extra sets (t-shirts and shorts that you don't mind if they get dirty).
- *Theme day clothes
- FOR ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL ONLY one set of "dress up" clothes for Thursday dinner and dance
- Socks and undergarments. Bring more than you think you will need. Prepare for a couple of days where you might have to change undergarments more than once.
- Sleep Clothes
- Closed toe shoes for play (tennis shoes)
- Shower shoes (flip flops)
- Pool shoes, especially for those that get blisters on their feet when they swim in pools.

- Some cash for snacks at the pool from the concession stand and camp swag (t shirts, stickers, hats, etc.). Campers will give their money to the concession stand folks at check in where they can access it safely until the closing ceremony.
- Sunscreen and bug spray
- Swimming suit
- Bathing towel
- Swimming towel
- Shower items and washcloth
- Toothpaste and toothbrush
- Hair brush
- Deodorant/antiperspirant
- Sleeping bag and/or bedding for a twin bed. Some campers just bring a sleeping bag. Most bring sheets and a blanket.
- Pillow(s)
- Hat
- Flashlight

Insider tips!

- Organization is key with having a clean cabin... and the clean cabin wins the honor of holding the ultimate prize The golden broom!
 - o **A lot of campers bring "trunks" instead of suitcases** as they can fit more items in them, they can lock them if they want to, and it is better for organizing your things to find them quickly during the week.
 - o **Shower caddies** are helpful as there will be a lot of walking back and forth from the bathhouse.
 - o **Bringing a bag for dirty clothes** helps keep your dirty things away from your clean ones. Sometimes a trashbag does the trick.
- We encourage you to leave your electronics at home where you won't worry about them as you will be plenty busy all week long.
- Letter writing... Pens/pencils and a notebook are just good items to have, especially if you want to send your friend "letters" and make them do the brown squirrel dance at lunch!
- NAPS! If you are not a good nap-taker, bringing a book to read, a drawing pad to draw on, or a journal to write in is a good idea. We have feet-on-bunk time everyday and non-nappers struggle if they do not have a way to spend that hour.
- Sunglasses are a great addition to your packing list, but they are not required. It gets sunny out there!
- Fanny Packs! Seriously, these things are a HIT around camp. Great for keeping a small tube of sunscreen, bug spray, and hand sanitizer on you at all times.
- Reusable water bottle! We have watering stations around camp with disposable cups, but having your own bottle cuts down on waste and makes it to where you have water whenever you feel the need.

*Theme days: If you choose to participate in them we will have a superhero day (favorite superhero shirt), a twin day (match someone at camp), and for elementary and middle school camps an out of this world day (camper interpretation, what do you think is "out of this world?" i.e. mermaids, aliens, cats, food specifically Whataburger, JESUS DUH! You get it) and finally a beach day (Hawaiian shirts and flower crowns).

Don't forget your <u>Immunization Records</u> and Medical Insurance Cards! <u>We MUST have an Immunization Record</u> for EVERY Camper by State law.

Camp Check-In is from 4pm to 5:30pm, and Camp ends in the morning after the 10am closing worship service. <u>Please invite whoever is picking you up to attend the worship service!</u>

If you're new to Buffalo Gap Camp, our physical address (for GPS, etc) is: 700 Litel Street, Buffalo Gap, TX 79508. We're on the main road through town (FM89), right across from the Town Hall / Fire Station.

Here's the Camper Check-in procedure (we'll have lots of Camp Staff around to help you, don't worry):

- 1. Check-in and double-check paperwork.
- 2. The Medic will collect all medications for safekeeping.
- 3. Campers will be assigned a cabin. This will be a change from years past.
- 4. You can order some Camper Photos (\$5 each and they will be available at the end of Camp),
- 5. You can deposit any concession stand money in our "Buffalo Gap Bank",

After you're checked in, you'll:

- 1. Drop your bags in your Cabin and change into your swimsuit.
- 2. Go down to the Ool (it's an "ool" because there's no "p" in it) for your Swim Test.
- 3. Work on your Name/SwimTag and get settled into your Cabin, and then we're "off and running"!!!

Mail time is a fun time at Buffalo Gap. Encourage your family and friends to send you letters at:

Your name Buffalo Gap Presbyterian Camp PO Box 397 Buffalo Gap, Texas 79508

You are going to have a great time at Camp - we look forward to meeting you, learning about God, and enjoying each other's company in the great outdoors!