

Teen Travel Camp Agreement of Expectations- Summer 2020

Dear TTC Campers and Parents:

Teen Travel Camp is committed to the safety and security of all participants therefore; it is our goal to create a fun and safe environment. In order to ensure that all TTCers have a common understanding of expectations and our policies, please review this agreement together with your teen. After reading, please sign and return the last page to rwagner@jccdallas.org or blovelace@jccdallas.org.

During all TTC programs ALL participants, staff, and campers will be responsible for maintaining a positive community where ALL members feel safe and comfortable.

1. Weapons- This is unauthorized storing, possession, or carrying firearms, knives, or any other objects (including look-alike or pretend weapons which could be used as a weapon). This is a very serious offense and is strictly prohibited.
2. Drugs and Alcohol- These will not be permitted in any capacity. This includes, but is not limited to non-prescription drugs, tobacco and/or alcohol. Vape pens and Juuls are also prohibited at camp. Use of these items will be grounds for immediate dismissal without refund of camp tuition.
3. Sexual Harassment- Sexual harassment this is defined as unwelcomed advances, requests for sexual favors, and/or other inappropriate verbal, written or physical conduct.
4. Fighting/Physical Aggression towards staff or fellow campers- this included: play fighting, pushing, wrestling, hitting, punching, shoving, kicking, slapping, spitting, or using harmful objects, etc. It is any form of physical confrontation. Differences of opinion do arise. However, we expect that you will resolve them in a manner that is non-violent. If you feel that this is not possible, then please find a staff member to help you resolve your conflict. Causing a physical fight is ground for immediate dismissal.
5. Threats and/or Verbal Abuse- This includes any overt or implied verbal or physical threat. Examples include, but are not limited to, telling someone that you will hurt them whether in jest or as a serious suggestion, any conversation or discussion where you suggest action that will cause physical harm to someone, or suggesting property destruction.

6. Teasing, Verbal or Non-Verbal- This includes name-calling, put downs, making fun of the way someone talks or walks. Non-verbal examples include drawing inappropriate pictures and inappropriate hand gestures. WE don't expect you to be friends with everyone. We do expect that you will respect, and be sensitive to the differences of opinion, attitude, ability, skill, style, statue, religion, likes/dislikes, personality, and background of your fellow campers.
7. Inappropriate language/gestures- This is the use of profanity, obscene language, or gestures, which are not acceptable.
8. Theft- This is taking something, which does not belong to you. Campers must demonstrate a respect for the property of others.
9. Destruction of Property/Vandalism- This includes breaking, damaging or defacing the property of the JCC or any place that we visit on a field trip or out-of-town trip. This also includes the misuse of materials or equipment that result in damage.
10. Respect of TTC Staff- Although you may not always like or agree with what a staff member has to say, you are expected to listen and follow their instructions. Please refrain from verbal harassment and/or swearing or bad attitude directed at staff.
11. Boundaries- Participants in Teen Travel Camp are expected to stay in their respective sleeping quarters/rooms after hours or when designated by staff. There should be no male campers in female rooms (and vice versa).

Important: In the event of immediate dismissal: Please note that certain behaviors may be deemed serious enough that a child may be immediately suspended or removed from the program.

ALL PARTICIPANTS IN TEEN TRAVEL CAMP ARE EXPECTED TO:

- Respect the rights and privacy of all campers and staff.
- Respect the authority and responsibilities of ALL staff members. Understand that staff is responsible for the safety of all campers and they need to be accountable for your whereabouts at all times.
- Any form of "bullying" will not be tolerated. Respect the opinion and the individual difference of your fellow campers. Do not be a bystander; if you witness bullying, tell an adult.
- Always participate actively with the group. We want all campers to experience everything that camp has to offer.
- Be aware of your surroundings; make sure you are with your group/counselors at all times.
- Respect all property: your personal property and that of others.
- Understand that need to be on time to call check-ins

- ❑ Adhere to all rules related to curfew
- ❑ While on the bus, please remember safety comes first. Never engage in behavior that would be unsafe or disruptive to the driver. This includes walking around the bus, playing loud music, screaming/yelling, etc.
- ❑ Help keep all camp areas, rooms, and/or vehicles clean

Medications:

All medications, both for out-of-town treks and any medication that needs to be taken during the day MUST be given to the Teen Travel Camp Director in the original bottle/label/prescription and full instructions. The Teen Director will administer all meds throughout the day. All parents must turn in an “authorization to dispense medication form” along with all meds and instructions.

We have no doubt that if we follow all of the expectations listed in the Community Agreement; we are going to have a safe, fun, and meaningful summer together! Let the best summer ever begin!!

Parents and Camper Community Agreement of Expectations

(Please sign and return) Name of Campers:

_____ I agree to follow the expectations, policies and behaviors stated in the Community Agreement of Expectation for Teen Travel Camp.

Signature of Campers: _____ Date: _____

Signature of parent/guardian: _____