

2023 Boot Camp Details



1. How will you assign rooms for Boot Camp?

Students will be placed in rooms by campus, gender, and age. If they aren't able to be with other students from their campus, they will be with other students their age. We do consider Small Group as well as what school they attend when making room assignments. Due to the # of students and room layout, we are not able to honor roommate requests. **NOTE: Students will never share a bed with a leader or be alone with a leader one-on-one. In addition, Middle School students will not share rooms with High School students.**

2. What is the lodging like at Boot Camp?

We will stay at Kinsolving dorm on the UT campus. The dorm rooms have two twin beds and sleeps 2 students. Each room also has a mini fridge and microwave. There are community bathrooms on each floor, which will be monitored by adult leaders. Boys and girls will have rooms on separate floors. Students will room with students, and leaders room with leaders. Each floor will be monitored by paid, trained, and background checked hall monitors during the night as well as any time students are in the dorm.

3. What will students do each day at Boot Camp?

Students spend their time during the day training to lead Back Yard Bible Clubs and then go out to lead BYBCs in the evening throughout South and Central Austin. Students will train, learn and worship at the University Church of Christ during the week. From there each day, they will connect with their adult leader driver, who has been trained and background checked, to head lead their Bible Club. The driver will stay with the team at the host home the entire club, then drive them back to University Church of Christ, where students will end the day with worship.

4. What are the meals like?

Kinsolving Dorm will provide breakfast, lunch, and dinner on campus. We will also provide snacks in the evening. If your student has any food allergies or restrictions, you can let us know when you register your student for Boot Camp. If you have already registered, please let us know of any food allergies as soon as possible by emailing studentministry@hcbc.com.

5. How do I know my student is safe during Boot Camp?

Safety is one of our top priorities at Boot Camp. **In addition to HCBC Student Ministry staff, we will have trained and background checked adult chaperones (from HCBC) 24/7**, and full-time registered nurses to assist with medical needs. We also have a strict policy with our leaders and students that students are never allowed to venture off alone and will have a buddy system. All adult chaperones at Boot Camp have had a recent background check completed.

6. When/where is check-in and pick-up?

Students from ALL locations will check in at HCBC Lakeline on Sunday, June 25th. Captain Trainers, Captains, and Proteges will check in between 2:30-3:00. All other students will check in from 3:00-3:30. From there, students will ride buses to Kinsolving Dorm to eat dinner, and kick off Boot Camp.

Students will also be bused from UT back to HCBC Lakeline to be picked up on Friday, June 30th at 11:30AM.

7. What should my student bring to Boot Camp?

- Comfortable clothes and shoes – students do a lot of walking during the week (*Note that Wednesday will be a water day for kids at clubs*)
- Bible, notebook or journal, and pen
- A refillable water bottle
- Snacks (optional)
- Toiletries – shampoo, soap, etc.
- Towels
- Sleeping bag and pillow (The mattresses in the dorms are not a uniform size – some are twin and some are full. If your student wants to bring sheets for their bed, we recommend queen size.)
- Hand soap for bathroom (optional, but recommended)

8. What should my student NOT bring to camp?

- Weapons of any kind or anything resembling a weapon
- Alcohol or illegal drugs
- Items intended to be used as pranks – water balloons, shaving cream, pudding, etc.