



NTS CAMP



Everything you
need to know about
NTS Camp

WE ARE SO GLAD YOU HAVE CHOSEN TO BE A PART OF NTS CAMP
OUR MISSION IS SIMPLE:
TO CREATE AN ENVIRONMENT FOR STUDENTS TO MEET WITH GOD

ABOUT

Who knew that a phone call between friends would have led to a movement that has impacted students throughout the nation since 2000.

God has been doing something big ever since. We have grown to multiple sites throughout North America.

NTS Camp is attended by churches of all types and sizes. It is no accident that the name of the camp is called "Never The Same." God continues to move in powerful ways and students and adults leave never the same!

PHILOSOPHY

NTS Camp is an environment that creates space for students to connect to God, to a network of support from their local church, and to a caring adult small group leader from their youth ministry.

We believe strongly that when a student comes to camp and God begins to do a work in their lives that the best way for growth in the year to come is to go back home with an adult leader who was there and experienced the same thing with them who can encourage them in their walk with Jesus. In fact, we support that philosophy financially by paying for one adult leader per 10 students that come to camp from your church. We not only pray that students' lives will be changed, but we pray your youth group and church will be impacted by the ministry of Never The Same Camp.

(visit ntscamp.com for more information on our philosophy)

THEME

Each year's theme is heavily integrated into the camp experience. Biblical teaching is a high value at NTS Camp and we strive to help students engage Scripture in a way that speaks to their life, where they are.



POLICY

NTS Camp is for students who will be going into 6th grade in the fall through completion of 12th grade.

Students must come with an adult leader(s) as a part of a Youth Group. Adult Leaders must be at least 18 years old and 1 year removed from high school.

REGISTRATION

The registration process is simple and easy for parents and churches to navigate. All registration is done online to save you the hassle of collecting forms and money.

After you register your church at ntscamp.com, online registration will be ready for your parents. They simply go to ntscamp.com, clicks on register, find your camp and then your church and register their child(ren).

Once they have registered and paid either the deposit or paid in full, they will be sent a confirmation email, which will include a packing list and possibly a college waiver if required by the college your camp is located at. You will receive a copy of this confirmation email for your records. You will also receive a weekly report of the students who have registered with your church and what they owe. You will have constant access to your church registrations on your NTS Camp admin dashboard.

Adult leaders who will be going to camp with your group will also need to register online, but they will not be asked to pay online. NTS Camp pays for 1 adult leader per 10 students that you bring to camp. This means if 19 students come to camp, we pay for 1 adult leader. If 20 students come to camp, we pay for 2 adult leaders. Any adult leaders that are not covered in NTS Camp's 10:1 ratio, will be \$200 each. (\$250 each at NTS Camp Mid-Atlantic) We will collect payment during registration check-in at camp.

You will have the opportunity to pay in full for a student by creating a full scholarship for them or you may add money to their account after they have registered if you would like to pay partially for them.

It will be your responsibility to make sure that every student that you bring to camp has paid in full online and has turned in their college waiver if applicable to you.

YOU WILL NEED TO COLLECT TRANSPORTATION COST SEPARATELY.

PROMOTION

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CONTACT

For further questions, please contact us at info@ntscamp.com

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PRICING

Registration: \$395 **Mid-Atlantic Registration:** \$450

Late Registration: Deposit or full payment by 2 weeks before camp start date: \$415 **Mid-Atlantic Late Registration:** \$470

Final Registration: Full payment 2 weeks before camp: \$435 (full payment is the only option at this point) **Mid-Atlantic Final Registration:** \$490

***Deposits are \$150 and are non-refundable and non-transferable**

Full Payment is due 2 weeks before camp or \$25 late fee will be automatically added



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SAMPLE CAMP SCHEDULE

DAY 1

4-7pm Registration Check-In

In the last-minute details camp email, you will receive instructions for where check-in will be and what you need to have with you.

You will need 2 copies of your housing spreadsheet, background check waiver, and college waiver, if applicable.

Please bring a check, credit, or debit card to camp to pay for any adult leaders who are not covered in NTS Camp's 10:1 ratio. Their cost will be \$200 each. (\$250 at Mid-Atlantic)

Dinner is NOT provided on Day 1, so you will need to eat before arriving at camp.

8pm Evening Session

The Evening Session will be every night of camp. All students and adults will be led in worship and teaching from the Bible. It is our desire to invite students to meet with God in ways they can relate to.

9:30pm Opening Ceremonies

The whole camp will walk to our opening ceremonies arena and participate in the first competition of the week. Team Comps are a fun part of camp and will be explained later in this schedule.

10:30pm Small Group Time (In Dorms)

This will be the only time that small groups will meet late in dorms. We will need the adult small group leaders to go over the rules with the students, explain the NTS Academy courses and decide which ones their students will be attending.

12am Lights Out

DAY 2-4

8am Breakfast

9am Middle School Morning Session/ High School Academy Courses *Adult Leader Time

Middle School Students will gather together for worship and practical teaching of key themes and topics of the Bible and Christianity. The topic is different from the theme of the Evening Sessions.

High School students will choose an NTS Academy Course (Breakout Session) to attend.

*2 Teams of Adult Leaders will meet for leadership training and receive important information for the day. The other 2 Teams of Adult Leaders will have free time to rest, shower, hang out, etc.

10am High School Morning Session/ Middle School Academy Courses *Adult Leader Time

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11am Youth Group Time/Soul Exercises

Your Youth Group will be given this hour to do with however you wish. We don't tell you what to do, but some suggestions are: bring a guitar and have your own private time of worship, take this time to pray together as a whole group, and/or let this be a time of testimonies. God does incredible things in hearts at NTS Camp and it is our desire that your Youth Group is strengthened during this week, so please allow the Lord to lead you during this Youth Group time to make it meaningful for your Youth Group.

At the close of your time, students will be given a 15-minute time for Soul Exercises, so they will need to have their Bible and camp booklet, which has a guide for them to follow.



SAMPLE CAMP SCHEDULE (CONT.)

12pm Lunch

1pm Team Comps Prep Time

We give you this preparation time to strategize how you will compete in the day's competition. Your team may include other Youth Groups, so you will meet in a central place where your whole team can meet together and work together. You will also be asked to present a team "cheer" at the end of the week. These cheers are to involve your whole team and are meant to be fun and light-hearted. You can emphasize your team color or the camp theme, but remember the purpose is "fun."

2pm Team Comps

Team Comps happen every afternoon during the week of camp. Points will be given for every competition and at the end of the week, the team with the highest points will receive a trophy to take home and display at their church for the year. Points will be displayed during the Evening Sessions. Teams go "all out" with their color. When your church is assigned their color, we ask you to let your students know so they can pack accordingly. Some students come with color wigs, capes, shirts, hats, etc. Team spirit is highly encouraged during this time, so please let this be a fun time for your group. **Water bottles and closed-toed shoes are required.** Team colored t-shirts and more will be on sale at the NTS Camp Store.

3pm Open Rec

For an hour and a half, students will have the chance to hang out with their friends, do crafts, sit in on a session with our worship band, compete in tournaments, swim at some locations, and play yard games.

5pm Dinner

7pm Evening Session/Small Group Time

For the rest of the week at the close of the message, you will be given small group questions and asked to meet together as a small group right away near the chapel to talk about these questions. This is a powerful time and adult leaders should be prepared for deep discussions.

9pm Club NTS

Club NTS is a fun way to end the day. It is geared to promote relationship building within your group and others at camp.

10pm Hang Out

Snacks will be offered for purchase at this time as students have a chance to hang out before bedtime.

11:30pm In Rooms

12am Quiet Hours 'til 7am

DAY 5

**8am Breakfast
Youth Director Meeting**

Youth Directors will meet together for a time of information for the last day and sharing stories of the week.

9am Youth Group Time

9:45am Team Comps Prep Time

10:15am Team Comps

11am Campus/Dorm Clean Up
Your group will be given a section of the campus to be responsible for cleaning. After this, students will go back to their rooms, pack and clean your area of the dorm.

12pm Lunch

1pm Dorm Check-Out

2pm Final Session
The last session holds a favorite tradition for NTS Camp. During the last session, we dismiss students to a time of communion and foot washing with their individual Youth Group. This has become one of the most powerful displays of love and forgiveness, and students look forward to it all week.

4pm Camp Ends

