

Dear Parents and Campers,

Welcome new and past campers and camper families! We are excited about camp and anticipate our time at SLO will be a wonderful experience for all the campers.

**Please read all attached information and email completed forms to [fresnobetsuincamp@gmail.com](mailto:fresnobetsuincamp@gmail.com). Once received, further information will be emailed directly to each registrant.**

To insure a safe and fun environment for camp, parents and campers must review and discuss the following rules, regulations and discipline procedures. It is important that everyone understand these rules and procedures as well as the consequences for any violation. Parents and campers will be required to sign their acceptance and agreement to abide by these Camp policies to attend.

### RULES OF CONDUCT

- No alcohol, illegal drugs or smoking (tobacco or e-cig)
- No gambling and playing cards or any games for money
- No loaded or unloaded firearms
- No explosive devices
- No knives
- No pairing off, holding hands
- No fighting
- No bullying or harassment of others
- Off limits in each other's barracks
- Off limits to other camper's personal property
- No graffiti or defacing campground buildings, cabins
- No unsupervised raids
- No unauthorized cabin exit after lights out and final bed check
- No leaving your bed after bed check
- Counselor quarters off limits
- No fishing by yourself, only with leaders, no fishing after dinner
- No shaving cream unless on authorized time
- No shaving cream in the barracks
- No running barefoot
- Kitchen and refrigerators are off limits, only with permission
- No one to take things out of the kitchen without permission
- No ice chest in dormitory
- No leaving camp without permission
- No visitors
- No jogging before breakfast
- No iPod, cell phone or tablet use allowed during any camp activity
- Please everyone help set up camp and close up camp on arrival and departure Sundays
- Be courteous, respectful and kind to others

## DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES

Camping in the Sierras follows Amida Buddha's guiding principle is the "*Golden Chain of Love*". It is expected that every one who attends camp will "be kind and gentle to every living thing and protect all who are weaker than ourselves." Hence, there will be zero tolerance for bullying others. Teasing, harassing and playing pranks on others will not be allowed at any time, day or night. For any violation of the rules of conduct the following disciplinary procedures will be followed:

- Step One: The camper will be given verbal warning.
- Step Two: The parent will be contact via telephone and notified of their child's misbehavior.
- Step Three: The parent will be notified to pick up their child immediately as they will no longer be allowed to remain and participate at camp.
- Step Four: Suspension may result in future eligibility to attend camp.

Understanding zero tolerance policies in public schools, we too are aware of issues facing young adults. While illegal substances, weapons, etc. are banned at camp, we request full authorization to check camper's suitcases, baggage, and personal belongings if there is cause for such action. Your cooperation, understanding and acceptance to these policies and procedures are appreciated.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at any time:  
Janis, Gregg and Debbie at email: **fresnobetsuincamp@gmail.com**

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