



MICHIGAN **FCA** SPORTS CAMP

WHAT TO EXPECT & FAQ

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VISION & MISSION

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VISION

**TO SEE THE WORLD
TRANSFORMED BY JESUS
CHRIST THROUGH THE
INFLUENCE OF COACHES AND
ATHLETES**

MISSION

**TO LEAD EVERY COACH AND
ATHLETE INTO A GROWING
RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS
CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH**

DAILY CAMP ACTIVITIES

TRAINING SESSIONS

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Sport practices led by high school or college coaches. These are competitive sessions for athletes to grow in their sport, character, and faith.



HUDDLE COMPETITIONS

Fun camp games to build community among athletes, coaches, and collegiate huddle leaders. Some are physically demanding, while some challenge the mind.



DAILY CAMP ACTIVITIES

GUEST SPEAKERS

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Collegiate and professional athletes are brought in throughout camp to share their faith and sports journey. These sessions encourage and challenge athletes to keep practicing and growing.



TEAM CHAPELS

A time of worship, testimonies, and a message from our camp speaker. These sessions foster spiritual growth and builds deeper connection to God and each other.



DAILY CAMP ACTIVITIES

HUDDLE MEETINGS

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Each camper is assigned a collegiate huddle leader and has a group of 6-10 other athletes within their huddle. These sessions allow for Bible study discussion, spiritual growth, and deep friendships to be built.



QUESTIONS ABOUT CAMP ACTIVITIES? PLEASE
REACH OUT TO KYLE WARTELLA:
KWARTELLA@FCA.ORG



WHAT TO BRING

PACKING LIST

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- Sheets (twin XL) and blanket, or sleeping bag
- Pillow
- Bath towel
- Toiletries & soap
- Modest clothing for warm weather
- Water bottle
- Sunscreen
- Notebook & pen (optional)
- Money for camp gear & extra food (optional)

SPORT-SPECIFIC GEAR

ARCHERY: Equipment will be provided. If you'd like to bring your own bow, please let us know so we can confirm it will work

BASEBALL: Bat, glove, hat, baseball pants, cleats, batting gloves (optional)

BASKETBALL: Basketball shoes

CROSS COUNTRY: Running shoes

FOOTBALL: Cleats, gloves (optional)

SOCCER: Training shoes, cleats, shin guards

SOFTBALL: Bat, glove, softball pants, cleats, batting gloves (optional)

TENNIS: Racket, tennis shoes

VOLLEYBALL: Knee pads, court shoes (spandex are okay during practice, but bring cover-up shorts for after)

WRESTLING: Wrestling shoes, tennis shoes, headgear, mouthpiece if needed, towel

CAMP SCHEDULE

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CHECK IN

Upon arrival at Spring Arbor University, come to the McDonald Athletic Center (MAC) to complete registration (follow FCA signs). Camper registration is between 9:00am and 12:00pm. This building is known as the MAC Fieldhouse (building 37) on the campus map provided. **No lunch is served on Monday. Bring your own lunch or snacks, as the first meal provided will be dinner on Monday evening.**

CHECK OUT

Camp officially ends at 4:30 pm after the Team Chapel on Thursday. All campers will be picked up from The Arbor Church (building 6 on the map provided). **A legal guardian must be present to pick up your camper and check them out with their adult Huddle leader. Upon check out, you are free to go!**

PLEASE VISIT THE LINK OR QR CODE BELOW TO VIEW OUR CAMP SCHEDULE

CAMP SCHEDULE (CLICK HERE)



CAMP MAP

CHECK IN (MAC CENTER)

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CHECK OUT (THE ARBOR CHURCH)

CAMP POLICIES

CELL PHONE POLICY

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We encourage campers to “unplug” during camp and embrace all that camp has to offer without feeling the need to constantly be checking their phones. That being said, we understand the need for a phone in case of emergency, or to coordinate pick up, etc. Proper use of cell phones at appropriate times is expected of campers. If a camper uses a cell phone in an inappropriate way or during a time that is not permitted, FCA staff may take the cell phone and secure it for a portion of time at camp that is deemed appropriate. At the discretion of FCA staff, improper use of a cell phone may result in the end of a camper's camp experience.

Campers are able to use their cell phones while in their rooms during any free time periods or during breaks from camp activities. Phones are not to be taken out of the camper's room unless specifically asked to bring it to the camp program for a planned activity.

Again, we do not want phones to distract from the camp experience, so we ask that phone use be brief and simply for emergencies and necessary check-ins with family or others. We also ask that phones not be used during “lights out” time, as we want to make sure students have plenty of opportunity to connect with their roommates and to rest for the next day's activities. If a parent needs to reach their camper or a camp staff member, please use the following contact information: **Kyle Wartella, Camp Director: 269-929-7519 OR Spring Arbor Main Number: 800-968-9103** (let them know it's regarding FCA camp).

CAMP POLICIES

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ATTIRE

Modest attire is always required during camp. Please refrain from bringing cut-off shirts or clothing that is extremely tight or revealing.

EXPENSIVE ITEMS

FCA does not recommend that you bring valuable items to camp, such as expensive jewelry, wireless headphones, and other electronics.

INSURANCE

FCA will only provide secondary insurance coverage for the camper during the stay at Camp. In case of injury or illness, campers will need to provide proof of insurance coverage at the time of treatment. A photocopy of your insurance card will be sufficient and can be kept in camper's luggage. Campers not covered by family insurance will be cared for.

SPECIAL NOTES

Any medicine needed during the week must be brought in the original bottles with dispensing information and brought to the camp doctor during registration. This includes both prescription and over-the-counter medication. In compliance with local laws, pets are now allowed. **Campers may want to bring spending money for FCA merchandise as well as snacks.**

CAMP PRAYER TEAM

JOIN OUR PRAYER TEAM

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We are forming a prayer team to provide individual prayer coverage for every camper, coach, huddle leader, and staff member. Our goal is to mobilize 700 prayer partners who will pray at least once a day during camp, with occasional prayer leading up to it. Whether you are a coach, parent, athlete, donor, or love FCA and love to pray, we encourage you to join with us in prayer!

Not only are we seeking prayer partners during camp, but our heart is that you would get connected to local staff in your area and see how you can join a local prayer team and get involved with FCA ministry in various ways. There is an option on the form to input information if you are interested in this.

If you feel led to be part of this prayer team, please sign up by clicking the button below. Thank you!

[**JOIN PRAYER TEAM \(CLICK HERE\)**](#)



CAMP SPEAKER & BAND

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CAMP SPEAKER

Our 2026 camp speaker is Brian Pruitt, who over the past 23 years has traveled across the country as a Speaker, Trainer and Coach. By drawing from his own personal experiences, Brian enlightens audiences and organizations on how to overcome obstacles and accomplish their dreams.



CAMP BAND

Radiant Church of Jackson is our 2026 worship band. They are excited to lead our camp again in worship to praise God with every coach and athlete in attendance. They are talented musicians who create a welcoming environment to all.



CAMP THEME

PROVEN

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Every year, FCA releases an annual ministry theme that provides resources for coaches and athletes to grow. This year, our theme is **“Proven”** based on the Bible verse **John 15:8** **“My Father is glorified by this: that you produce much fruit and prove to be my disciples.”**

WHY PROVEN?

In the fast-paced world of sports, it’s easy to get caught up in the game; the noise, the pressure, the crowds, the stats, the wins and the losses. Every day, it feels like everyone needs something. This pace can lead to burnout, frustration and a desire to check out. But we don’t have to keep striving to prove our worth; God has proven everything for us through His Son Jesus Christ. We simply receive what has already been done for us. We are proven in Him. Learn what it looks like to go from living for approval to living from the love of God.

We're taking coaches and athletes on a journey to go from proving our worth to living proven in Him, because we don't need to prove anything; through his life, Jesus has proven it all.

[LEARN MORE \(CLICK HERE\)](#)



CAMP PICTURES

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[CAMP RECAP VIDEOS \(CLICK HERE\)](#)



CAMP TESTIMONIALS

TESTIMONIALS

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“Allowed me to make new friends, put me back into a “groove” of spending more time with the Lord. And showed me the truth that I live in.”

“It brought me back to Jesus and helped me get better at my sport”

“The wrestling helped me like crazy the coach’s are THE best of the best which was amazing and I’m very grateful for coming to this camp”

“Spiritually, it helped me realize that anything is possible through God. Athletically, it helped me perfect my route running”

“I became more humble”

“It stirred up my spiritual appetite leaving me to want to seek GOD more”

“It has made me think so much more positively about myself and my athletic abilities, knowing that it’s not for me, but for the Lord. My perspective has completely shifted.”

“It helped me to rerealize that I need to life for Christ because he died for me and that I need to try my best to LIVE like Jesus. Galatians 2:20”

CAMP GEAR

CAMP STORE

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We will have a camp store running Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon, along with Thursday in the morning and early afternoon. We will accept cash, credit card, and Venmo. We have wristbands, hats, bags, shirts, shorts, hoodies and more. We recommend having a plan for spending money at camp. We always strive to offer gear that kids will love at a reasonable price so they can show off their camp gear and even witness to others through the shirt messages or FCA logo!

PRE-ORDER CAMP GEAR

This year we are partnering with All Heart Athletics to handle all pre-orders for camp gear. **You can order camp gear on the website listed below. All orders will be available to pick up at camp with an option to ship directly to your home for an extra cost.**

[CAMP GEAR STORE \(CLICK HERE\)](#)



LIVESTREAM & SOCIAL MEDIA

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CAMP LIVESTREAM

On Tuesday evening at camp we will be livestreaming the Team Chapel beginning at 7:30 PM. We encourage you to join the livestream to get a glimpse into what FCA camp and Chapel are like. The livestream will be on our Facebook account listed below. Please look out for further details in your email and on our social media accounts.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Follow our Instagram and Facebook to get further connected to FCA and to see how God is moving in our ministry. Please also visit our website and check the “areas we serve” page to get connected with local FCA staff.



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