

2018 Pow-Wow Policies and Procedures

Pow-Wow Mission Statement:

The purpose of Pow-Wow is to provide each participant the opportunity to experience fun, fellowship, and spiritual fulfillment in a secure relationship with Jesus Christ.

Participation:

1. Boys and young men in grades 3 – 12 (Discovery Rangers, Adventure Rangers, and Expedition Rangers) and under the age of 18 are eligible to attend. All minors are required to attend as a member of a group or outpost.
2. Groups can be from any Assembly of God or Church of God (Cleveland, TN) church, or a church with a chartered outpost.
3. All adults (18 and older) attending Pow-Wow are **required** to have a volunteer application involving minors on file with the Georgia District of the Assemblies of God. This policy is strictly enforced for the protection of children.

Visitors:

1. Pow-Wow visitors may visit on Friday after 4:00 pm and on Saturday after 9:00 am; however, female visitors will not be permitted in campsite or dorm areas.
2. Those guests attending services are asked to consider an offering to help cover expenses. Meals are available on a limited basis through the registration office.

Registration:

1. Registration with prescribed fee must be received by the date listed on the registration form.
2. Each outpost must register and sign in all **visitors**.
3. Everyone **must** have their completed **Individual Pow-Wow Registration Form** at the time of registration.
4. At registration each outpost will be given a designated time for swimming, games, and meals.
5. Registration must be completed before campsite is setup or before moving into the dorm.
6. Dorm space will be available after 1:00 pm on Friday.

Campsites:

1. The district staff will approve all outpost campsite locations in accordance with the campsite policy.
2. Thursday night arrival and set-up is permitted, but activity is restricted to the campsite.
3. No nails or other like devices will be driven into live trees.
4. No standing trees may be cut down without district executive staff approval.

Health and Safety:

1. Leaders are always responsible for their groups. Each church should have a minimum of two leaders.
2. No adult should be alone with a boy at any time.
3. Shoes will be worn at all times except in the tents, the pool, or showers.
4. No personal bikes, motorcycles, four-wheelers, golf carts, etc. will be allowed at Pow-Wow without approval.
5. Except for specified activity times, the lake is off-limits. No fishing will be allowed during Pow-Wow.
6. "Cut and Chop" cards are required for pocketknives. Boys should not bring sheath knives.
7. Report any anthills, bee or wasp nests to the Pow-Wow Coordinator through your Sectional Commander.
8. Report all accidents to the Health and Safety Officer at the First Aid Station. Anyone suspected of having a serious injury such as a head, neck or back injury should not be moved. Send a third party immediately to the First Aid Station for emergency assistance. **No one** should be transported to the hospital without notification and approval of the Health and Safety Officer.
9. **All campers will be in their respective campsite/dorm from 12:00 am - 6:00 am. Leaders know where your boys are at all times. No exceptions!**
10. Everyone is expected to attend all assemblies and services. Leaders are expected to assist at all altar calls.
11. To better ensure the safety of participants at Pow-Wow, games or activities in the campsite will be restricted to members of the outpost only. The district staff will be the approving authority for any game or campsite activity. Any activity deemed unsafe in the judgment of the staff (e.g. zip lines) will not be approved.
12. The farm and timber land adjacent to the campsite area is strictly off-limits. Be good neighbors.
13. Each commander and boy is expected to help keep the grounds clean and litter free. Trash should be taken to the dumpster as needed.
14. Electrical or extension cords running from campsites to power outlets vicinity of shower facilities are strictly prohibited.
15. Power generators are prohibited in campsites without District Director approval. All commanders requiring access to electricity for medical purposes are highly encouraged to use the male dormitory.

Pow-Wow Parking

This policy is necessary to protect all campers from injury:

1. Always drive within the speed limit and in a safe manner. Please use sound judgment and common sense when operating a vehicle around pedestrians.
2. All vehicles will receive a pass from Security upon entering the grounds. This pass must be displayed on the vehicle dash.
3. Vehicles entering the campsite area will be given a time frame to unload equipment. Once unloaded, the operator will move the vehicle to one of the designated parking areas. Do not set up camp until all vehicles are moved.
4. Vehicle operators are required to park within a marked spot in the parking area to allow room for other campers. This may require disconnecting trailers.
5. No one may ride on the outside of a vehicle or in the bed of any truck.
6. Persons with limited mobility should contact the district staff prior to Pow-Wow. Vehicles will not be used for transport on campgrounds during Pow-Wow.

Exit Procedure

1. Break down campsite first. Security will not allow vehicles to enter the camping area until all equipment is broken down and ready to load.
2. Campsite will be policed; no trash or structures are to be left on site. Outposts will remove and take trash to the dumpsters prior to departure.
3. Notify Sectional Commander of intent to depart and request site/dorm area inspection. Once cleared, vehicle operators will receive a vehicle pass.
4. Present vehicle pass to Security. After loading equipment, outposts are free to leave.

Have a SAFE trip home!