

GLOBAL COMPASSION PROJECT 2007 SUMMER CAMP HANDBOOK

WHAT TO EXPECT

GCP summer camp holds very high standards for admission so that we can offer a very advanced and enriched curriculum to the participants. You will have an experience most likely differ from your normal academic settings.

You are expected to be prepared and readied for new challenges each day. You must also keep yourself healthy by making good choices with common sense in a new environment, eating during meal times, and observing the guidelines for rest and sleep as explained in the schedule.

GCP summer camp has been organized to reach all learners through not merely traditional academic settings but variable interactive activities; it will be a brand new learning experience. You should feel comfortable expressing your thoughts and recommendations to your Team Leaders and we will build up an even better curriculum for the coming years. Our goal is to lead you through a journey of differences that will take you to a new level of understanding of culture and people. This kind of learning provides you with not just knowledge but a life experience which you will treasure for the days to come.

Challenge yourself to make friends, to leave impressions. Your experience will be greatly enriched if you make the effort to take one more step.

STUDENT EXPECTATIONS

A fruitful, safe, fun and memorable GCP summer camp requires all participants exhibit their highest standards of personal conduct and responsibility. Some rules and regulations will be discussed in detail during the orientations. If you have any questions about any of them, please ask. For the welfare, safety and learning experience of all participants, misunderstanding GCP expectation is not an acceptable excuse for not following one. The Student and Parent/Guardian agree to follow all the rules, regulations and standards of conduct of GCP summer camp, including the following and agree to exemplify behavior set forth below in the GCP summer camp Honor Code.

HONOR CODE

As a GCP summer camp student, I will:

- Hold myself and those around me to a higher standard.
- Be honest and forthcoming and follow the rules of the Student Code of Conduct; I will not tolerate other violating the Code of Conduct and will immediately report violations.
- See problems as opportunities and learn from them.
- Continue to set an example as a leader and hold myself and others to a higher standard.

CODE OF CONDUCT

SAFETY

- I will **not** use or possess any alcohol, tobacco products or illegal substances at any time during the camp.
- I will **not** leave the camp group, and /or the location of off campus activities at any time, for any reason.
- I will be in my dorm room and check in with my Team Leader at the designated time each night.
- I understand that male students are not permitted on female floors, in female dorms or in female rooms at any time. Also, those female students are not permitted on male floors, in male dorms or in male rooms at any time.
- I understand that GCP tolerates no form of sexual misconduct or sexual harassment.

RESPECT AND RESPONSIBILITY

- I will treat all camp fellow members and facility staffs with courtesy and respect.
- I will follow all Xinghua Compassion Senior High School/camp rules and regulations and follow the instructions of the camp staffs.
- I will not eat, drink, sleep, chew gum, use a cell phone during classes, workshops and other gatherings.
- I will adhere to the dress code.
- I will be responsible for the condition of my room and for the cost of repairs for any damage caused to my room during the camp.

- I will be responsible for my personal belongings and I understand that neither GCP summer camp nor the Xinghua Compassion Senior High School/camp is responsible for loss or theft.
- I will not use any form of foul language.

HIGH STANDARDS, ZERO TOLERANCE

- I will participate in all activities.
- I will be on time for all classes, workshops and other activities, and to arrive wearing my name badge.
- GCP summer camp maintains a strict policy of NO alcohol, tobacco or illegal drug use or possession. Knives or weapons of any kind are NOT permitted. Students who are found with any of these in their possession will be immediately dismissed from the Xinghua Compassion Senior High School/camp and sent home at their expense.
- I understand that GCP summer camp maintains a zero tolerance policy with respect to **all** rules, regulations and standards of conduct. Any violation of any camp rule, regulation or standard of conduct may result in disciplinary action, including immediate dismissal, forfeiture of all fees paid, and return home at Student/Parent's expense.
- I further understand that in the event of dismissal, parent/guardians will be notified and must arrange for the dismissed student's immediate transportation home, at their expense. Dismissed students are not permitted to remain overnight at the Xinghua Compassion Senior High School/camp location. In the event of dismissal for **any** reason, all tuition is forfeited.

PROFESSIONALISM

1. Ask for assistance if you are unable to understand a concept or direction. The staff is supportive and will help you find a solution.
2. Assist other students and staff so that everyone follows expectations, and has a wonderful experience.
3. Respect the rules and customs in China, do not compare and demand different living standards.
4. Accept and honor the existing quality of life when providing community services.

5. Make effort to help and serve compassionately.

6. Show full passion and love, be considerate to others.

ADDITIONAL EXPECTATIONS

ACCESS TO ROOMS: Xinghua Compassion Senior High School/camp facility officials may enter a student's room, without permission, for maintenance and housekeeping purposes, for fire and safety inspections and to inspect for damage. General room inspections may be conducted periodically without prior notice.

LIMITATION OF LIABILITY: The Xinghua Compassion Senior High School/camp is not responsible for damage to or loss of personal property due to theft, failure or interruption of utilities, acts of God or other unforeseen circumstances, nor is any portion of the Xinghua Compassion Senior High School/camp fee refundable in such an event. Additionally, liability for any claim, injury or other liability resulting from student's participation in the GCP shall be limited to the tuition amount paid.

TERMS & CONDITIONS: Parent/Guardian and Student have read, understand and agree to the Terms & Conditions of Participation set for the in GCP summer camp's 2007 application and handbook, which are incorporated herein by reference, including and without limitation the Agreement and release and the Cancellation and Refund Policy. The Terms & Conditions are incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth.

DRESS CODE

There is a dress code for GCP summer camp. Due to the nature of the GCP summer camp experience, students will spend most of their time in professional or business attire. **Please read this information carefully as a student will be asked to change if he or she is not dressed in compliance with this Dress Code.**

Business attire is required **only for visiting government officials**. Business attire includes the following:

Males: collared shirts (polo or button down) and slacks or khaki pants. Shirts must be tucked in and pants worn with a belt. Dress shoes, athletic shoes in good conditions. **No jeans, No sandals, No flip-flops.**

Females: khakis or slacks, knee-length skirts, pressed shirts, dresses. Dress shoes, athletic shoes in good conditions.

Dress shorts may be worn on special occasions as directed by the team leader. **No jeans. No sandals. No flip-flops.**

Casual attire is worn during student's "free" time and at some socials. **No shorts allowed during teaching session.** Casual attire will include the following:

Dress shorts, acceptable t-shirts (as described below) and jeans in good condition. Athletic shoes, sandals and flip-flops.

NOTES

Not Permitted: Cut-offs, tank tops, halter-tops, tube tops and other similar clothing as well as attire that displays profanity or depicts tobacco, drugs or alcohol. For females; mini-skirts, short-shorts, and low cut or low-rise, see-through or excessively tight clothing.

Hats are not to be worn during class sessions, lectures or government visiting.

Whether a student's attire is appropriate or not will be determined by the GCP summer camp staff in its sole discretion.

Due to the hot weather in season, bring hat/sun visor/cap, sunscreen for your protection.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Phones

There is limited availability of phones at the camp site. GCP summer camp would recommend that you use a prepaid calling card. **Phone card can be purchased from school office and may call from your room.**

Food

Students will have meals in school cafeteria except on off site trip. Vending machine is not available in school, but snack shop is open during school hours. Food, drinks, gum are not allowed during classes.

Illness and Injury

If you are not feeling well and require medical attention or feel that you may miss a scheduled event, you must notify team leader. They will assist you decide on a proper course of action.

If you need medical attention at night, find one of the Team Leaders on your floor, or go to the office/program assistant immediately.

Lost or an Emergency Off-Campus

If you become lost or experience an emergency while off campus, attempt to get to the designated emergency check-point, or call the emergency number for the GCP summer camp site office, which is printed on the back of your name badge. Follow their instructions as how to proceed.

Emergency Procedures

Students are expected to make themselves aware of emergency exists and procedures in their residence hall, class rooms and areas they may spend significant amount of time.

Site ID Cards, Meal Cards, Keys and Name Tags

You will be issued some or all of these items at check-in time. It is your responsibility to keep these items safe with you at the all times during the camp. A fee will be charged to replace the items you lose.

Special needs and Requests

Our staff will try to accommodate the special needs of our students in the areas of learning and medical and family emergencies. Please let your Team Leader and staff know your request or special need in a timely manner.

Let's make this A Fruitful, Safe, Fun and Memorable Summer. See you at the Camp.