

Frequently Asked Questions

When is Bearkat Camp?

For 2010 there are two sessions of Bearkat Camp. Session 1 is August 8-11 and Session 2 is August 11-14.

Where is Bearkat Camp and how do I get there?

Bearkat Camp will be held at Forest Glen Camp and Conference Center near Huntsville, TX. Forest Glen is located approximately twenty minutes from the SHSU campus. Students will check in on the SHSU campus and ride charter buses to camp.

Who goes to Bearkat Camp?

Bearkat Camp is open to all incoming Freshman who are enrolled in the Fall semester. There will also be current SHSU students serving as counselors.

Why should I attend Bearkat Camp?

First of all, Bearkat Camp is going to be fun. You will build friendships with other members of the Class of 2014, connect with the SHSU community and learn about the spirit, pride and tradition of Sam Houston State University before classes begin.

How much does it cost?

The cost of camp is \$115. This includes your lodging, transportation from SHSU to Forest Glen and back, programming, meals, and camp T-shirt. The only extra money you would need is to buy snacks/drinks from the snack bar.

Camp is an approved program for financial aid. Please call 936-294-CAMP for more details on payment options.

How do I register?

You can register online, by mail, or fax. See the registration page.

What if I'm not a camp or outdoors person?

Camp is active; however, there are a variety of optional activities some of which will be indoors. This is not a camping trip! You will be staying in air conditioned cabins with modern restrooms. The dining hall and meeting rooms are air-conditioned as well. You can also beat the Texas heat in the camp swimming pool.

What do I need to bring to camp?

What to Bring to Bearkat Camp

Linens for a twin bed. (Sleeping Bag, sheet, pillow)

Towels for shower and pool.

Comfortable modest clothes for recreation and activities. Shorts and T-shirts are appropriate for all activities.

It is hot in August and you will be active so please pack accordingly.

Closed toe shoes for recreation and optional activities.

Protection from the sun, hat, sunscreen and sunglasses.

Swimwear: Women: One piece swimsuit as per Forest Glen camp policy.

“Two piece swimsuits may be worn only if they are covered by a non-see through T-shirt.”

Men: no Speedos

Optional: evening socials will have a theme western and tropical. We would love for you to dress the part.

What should I not bring to camp?

Valuable items that could be easily misplaced such as jewelry, credit cards or more than \$20 cash. Any drugs, alcohol, weapons of any kind including pocket knives are not allowed at camp. This is a sanctioned SHSU event and any violations will be handled in cooperation with the university police and/or university disciplinary council (see Student Handbook.) Students who violate these policies will be asked to leave camp without a refund.

Who do I contact for more information?