



Camp Baldwin

**Leader's Information and
Planning Guide**

Camp Baldwin

a ministry of the Baldwin Baptist Association

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STATEMENT OF FAITH

1. We believe fully that the Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired and is the only written record of God's revelation of Himself to man.
2. We believe the teachings of the Bible are relevant to today's society and to traditional family values.
3. We believe salvation is a gift of God through faith in His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ.



STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Camp Baldwin, as a ministry of Baldwin Baptist Association, is a facility that exists for the purpose of providing a place where the churches, associations, and agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention can empower kingdom growth by doing evangelism and discipleship in the name of Jesus Christ.

The goal of Camp Baldwin is to provide an environment in its facilities and activities that encourages development in spiritual, intellectual, emotional, social, and physical areas.

Camp Baldwin does permit other Christian denominational groups, and nonprofit groups whose purpose and objectives are compatible with those of Camp Baldwin to use the facilities, as space is available.

In keeping with the purpose of Camp Baldwin, the Camp Director has the authority to schedule or refuse use of the facilities. Any group using the facilities must agree to abide with rules and regulations, safety procedures, and the Statements of Faith and Purpose.

CAMP BALDWIN AT A GLANCE

(EFFECTIVE DATE 1/1/2011)

Please read this Leader’s Guide thoroughly and understand that the group leader is responsible for all guests under his or her supervision. The group leader (as per your contract) agrees to follow all policies listed in the “Leader’s Guide” and in the “Camp Baldwin Policies and Guidelines”.

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FACILITIES

66 acres on beautiful Wolf Bay just off the Gulf of Mexico

Within a 15 mile radius of the camp –

Beaches, outlet mall, golf courses, Waterville & other recreation

Tours of the camp facilities are welcomed and may be scheduled for most any time. Please call 251-987-5100 to set-up a day & time.

ACCOMMODATIONS (temperature controlled)

Pine Lodge Capacity 64
4 units with 16 beds & a bathroom in each unit
Large conference room with a fireplace
Screened porch & separate lodging for speaker

Bayview Lodge Capacity 80
8 units with 10 beds & a bathroom in each unit
1 adjoining conference room

Oak Lodge Capacity 80
8 units with 10 beds & a bathroom in each unit
Large conference room with a fireplace
Smaller conference room with kitchenette area

Magnolia Lodge Motel and dorm style – 33 units
Summer months only – total max capacity is 200
20 units with 8 beds & a bathroom in each – capacity of 160
6-10 motel units (3 handicap accessible units)

All months except summer – total max capacity is 132
30 motel units with 2 extra long full-size beds & a bathroom
3 handicap accessible motel units have 1 extra long full-size bed, 1 set of bunk beds & a bathroom.
2 large & 2 smaller conference rooms

CONFERENCE AND WORSHIP AREAS (temperature controlled)

Pine Lodge - Conference Room – 27' x 43'

Bayview Lodge - Conference Room -37.5' x 51.5'

Oak Lodge - Large Conference Room – 36' x 49'
Smaller Conference Room – 29' x 27'

Magnolia Lodge - Main Conference Room – 51' x 52'
Middle Conference Room – 18.8' x 53' or
Divided into 2 rooms (18.8' x 20' & 18.8' x 33')
Back Conference Room – 40' x 66'

Chapel – seating capacity of 260 – 75' x 45'
equipped with a stage, piano, and podium.

Hickory Hall - conference rooms
Multi-purpose room by the dining hall, approximately
1020 sq ft
4 rooms upstairs in Gym, each approximately 400 sq ft

Gym – Full court gym with stage area
Can be setup for worship for large groups

Wireless - Adult leaders are welcome to use our wireless internet
connection. You may request the WEP key in the office.

OUTDOOR GATHERING AREAS

Gazebo

Shaded seating area for group devotions or
for individual relaxation, mediation, or bay watching

Pavilion

Shaded areas for devotions, crafts, play or just fellowship

Prayer Garden

Peaceful area by the bay for small group or individuals

Benches, Chairs, & Rockers

Scattered around the grounds and on porches

RECREATION AREAS

Gym *full court gym (temperature controlled)*
Basketball foosball
Volleyball other indoor games

Water Sports *No swimming in bay or lake*

Lifeguard assigned areas ***
2700 square foot swimming pool
100 foot water slide in fresh water lake
Water zipline in fresh water lake
Canoes & pedal boats in fresh water lake
Fishing (catch & release)
In Wolf Bay from pier (salt water)
In fresh water lake (designated areas only)

Nature Trail

A printed trail guide is available.

Challenge Course ***

low ropes climbing wall

Land Zipline***

Pavilion

table tennis picnic areas

Outdoor Sports Areas

basketball court horseshoe pits
volleyball courts 9-hole miniature golf course
soccer field open play fields

Campfire **

Fire ring areas located by the bay and the lake

*** must request day & time before arrival

** must request day, time and location before arrival

WHERE TO FIND

Drink Machines

Porches of:

Oak Lodge	Hickory Hall
Magnolia Lodge	Pavilion

Water Fountains

Porches of:

Pine Lodge	Oak Lodge
Bayview Lodge	Chapel

Foyer of:

Dining hall	Magnolia Lodge Foyer
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Others:

Challenge Course area	Waterslide
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Ice Available on Snack Shack Porch (\$1 per bag)

Sports Equipment available for check out through camp office

Message Board Hickory Hall Foyer by office entrance

Lost and Found Camp Baldwin office

Restrooms Hickory Hall Foyer Next to Pavilion

Snack Shack East end of Bayview Conference

Camp Store Hickory Hall Front (credit/debit cards not accepted)

Hospitality Room Hickory Hall Front

FOOD SERVICE

Meal Service Times - Please be on time

Breakfast	8:00 AM
Lunch	12 Noon
Dinner	5:30 PM*

If any guest has food allergies or requires a special diet, contact camp at least 14 days in advance of your arrival.

*Friday evening dinner is at 6:30 pm during fall, winter and spring retreats. Food is available only for a limited time and guests are allowed to come back for seconds.

GROUP POLICIES

Merchandise Sales including snacks & drinks are prohibited except materials specifically promoting the ministry of entertainers or personalities.

RESERVATIONS AND REGISTRATION

Contact camp office for available dates. After a date has been selected, Camp Baldwin will issue you a Reservation Contract based on the information provided (number of motel units to reserve and/or minimum and maximum number of guests for reserving dormitory space). You will be asked to look over the contract. If all is correct, date and sign the contract and return it with a check for your deposit no later than 14 days from the contract issue date.

Motel Deposits are based on the number of motel units you wish to reserve (# units x # nights x \$20). Deposit is non refundable for units reserved but not used.

Dorm Deposits are based on the number of guests you believe will attend camp. First deposit is 20% (minimum # guests times camp rate) and due 2 weeks after contract is issued. The second deposit is 20% (adjusted minimum # guests times camp rate) and due 120 days before camp date or midway between contract issue date and camp date.

Arrival

Group leader should check-in with the office. A billing statement will be prepared for you and final payment is due. For the safety of our guests, each group will be assigned a specific color. Wrist bands of the same color will be issued for identification and dining hall purposes.

Please allow a representative of Camp Baldwin to give a brief (about five minutes) welcome and orientation soon after your arrival.

Buildings & Grounds

Smoking is not permitted on camp property.

Parking is only in designated areas. Please do not drive on grass. To reduce the risk of injury to guests, driving on campus should be limited to arrival and departure only and a speed limit of **10 mph** at all times.

Camp Baldwin reserves the right to assign meeting room(s), bunk style units and motel units according to the needs of all groups present. Your group will be notified of these assignments before arrival. **No food or drinks are allowed in the dorm rooms or gym.**

Water balloons, shaving cream, etc. are discouraged. But if used, they MUST be used only in designated area by the waterslide.

Facilities are to be clean and in order prior to departure.

Each group is **responsible for damages** resulting from negligence. We recommend a daily inspection of dorms.

VISITORS

All visitors (not registered guests) must sign-in and receive Guest ID or Day Pass ID in the camp office. Arrangements for any meals must be made with group Leader **prior** to retreat date. Payment for day pass and/or meal(s) should be made in the camp office. **Guests/Day Pass IDs must be worn at all times and returned to office before departure.**

CHAPERONES

Every effort should be made to ensure chaperones of children and youth are properly screened to protect guests from acts of abuse. This screening might include but is not limited to background checks, criminal record checks, interviews and fingerprinting.

Adult Leaders are expected to accompany and supervise children and youth at all times (especially around water). Activities such as challenge course and water events can not begin until adult supervision has arrived.

By 11 pm all outside activities are to cease and groups are to retire to dorms.

There should be adult chaperones assigned to each dorm room. For the safety and well being of our guests the adult leaders are responsible to see that guests do not leave the dorms during the night without an adult.

INSURANCE AND ACCIDENTS

Each group is expected to have adequate insurance coverage for their guests. Camp Baldwin does not assume any responsibility for medical expenses incurred as a result of accident or illness while guests are using its facility. A first aid kit is available to the group leaders to treat minor injuries. More serious problems will need to be referred to a physician or hospital emergency room at the discretion of the group leader. We cannot administer medications.

If medical attention is needed, South Baldwin Region Medical Center (hospital) is located on Hwy 59 in Foley 251-949-3400.

Severe Weather

The reservation contract is subject to termination by Camp Baldwin without notice for Act of God or extreme natural disaster.

CAMP RATE GUIDELINES

(Effective 1/1/2009)

Rates are based upon a check-in time of 3:30 pm and checkout time of 2 pm. Early check-in and/or late checkout may be arranged in advance (an additional fee may apply).

Children ages 0-2 years of age- no charge; ages 3-5 years of age- half price; six years and older- full price.

Dormitory Nightly Per Guest Rates

(Bunk-style lodging includes meals)

PLEASE CALL CAMP OFFICE FOR GUEST RATES

Linens, towels, pillows, paper towels and hand soap are not furnished for Bayview, Pine, Oak, or Magnolia bunkrooms.
Towels and bedding are **furnished for Pine Speaker's room.**

The dormitory nightly per guest rate includes 1 night's lodging, 3 meals, a conference room, and seasonal recreation areas. Other meeting rooms may be available at an additional charge.

