



**GRAD TRIP 2025 – INFO PACKET**

Experience Grad Trip is a special trip for graduating high school seniors to step away from the normal routine of life to focus on the fun and exciting adventure of becoming a more authentic follower of Jesus. These young adults will have the opportunity to grow closer in their walk with Christ and connect with other graduating seniors and leaders as they move on to the next stage of life after graduation.

**WHEN**  
June 22–26, 2025

**WHERE**  
Cabins in Gatlinburg, TN

**COST**  
Early Bird Rate: \$300 (May 4th)  
Regular Rate: \$350

**WHO IS GOING?**  
This event is open to all graduating high school seniors.

**HOW DO WE SIGN UP?**  
Sign up online. We have limited spots available, so seniors should sign up ASAP!  
[experienceccc.com/summer-camps](http://experienceccc.com/summer-camps)

**WHAT ACTIVITIES WILL BE AVAILABLE?**  
Seniors will get to enjoy many activities on this trip including visits to Dollywood and Downtown Gatlinburg, along with many activities in the cabins.

**WHAT ARE THE CABINS LIKE?**  
Seniors will be in cabins split by gender with at least four older adults in each cabin. The cabins have a large seating and dining area, indoor swimming pool, game room, and movie room.

**WILL THE STUDENTS NEED ADDITIONAL MONEY?**  
Yes! They will need money for four scheduled meals (two during travel and two at Dollywood). They will also need money for any snacks or souvenirs they want to purchase.

**HOW WILL WE GET THERE?**  
We will be making the trip in smaller vans to be able to travel places while in Gatlinburg.

**WILL THERE BE BIBLE STUDY/DEVOTIONAL TIME?**  
Yes! We will have Life Group time every day and talk about the importance of faith as everyone moves on to the next stage of life.

**WHAT IS THE CANCELLATION POLICY?**  
Refunds will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis, but no refunds will be available after June 1st. If you are unable to make it to camp, all funds will be put towards our camp scholarship fund.

**WHAT IF WE CANNOT AFFORD TO GO?**  
We do our best to keep finances from being an obstacle for any student to go to camp. We offer need-based scholarships on a first-come, first-serve basis.

**WHAT DOES THE SCHEDULE LOOK LIKE?**  
**Sunday:** Leave for Cabins in Gatlinburg  
**Monday:** Devotional Time / Pigeon Forge Day  
**Tuesday:** Prayer Time / Dollywood  
**Wednesday:** Prayer Time / Downtown Gatlinburg  
**Thursday:** Breakfast / Pack up vans to head home

# Grad Trip Rules

1. Respect leaders, other students, and yourself.
2. No guys in girls' rooms and vice versa.
3. Alcohol, tobacco, vapes, drugs, and weapons are prohibited (including pocket knives, mace, etc.).
4. Everyone must be in their appropriate cabin by the designated "In Room Time."
5. Follow the schedule. Be where you are supposed to be when you are supposed to be there.
6. Follow the clothing guidelines. At the core of our dress code is a desire to honor God and each other. We want everyone to be comfortable and to create an environment that will uplift everyone we come across (John 13:35; Ephesians 5:3).
7. No public displays of affection.
8. Rule of three – Have three people with you no matter where you are when out in public or away from the cabins.
9. No leaving the cabins once we are settled.
10. Be open to what God has for you.

## Packing List

Grads are limited to one suitcase/duffel bag and one carry-on or backpack. Please pack for five days and four nights.

### WHAT TO BRING:

- Comfortable clothes for four days (suitable for theme park activities). Include at least two extra outfits.
- Pillow
- Swimwear – If a swimsuit does not follow the dress code listed below, students will be asked to change or wear a shirt/shorts over it.
  - Ladies: Modest one-piece swimsuit (full coverage on top and bottom); shorts and a shirt to wear to/from the pool.
  - Guys: Swim trunks (modest length) and a shirt to wear to/from the pool.
- Swim towel
- Three pairs of shoes: close-toed shoes (one pair of shoes you can get wet and one for casual wear) and sandals/flip-flops
- Bug repellent
- Sunscreen
- Sunglasses and a baseball cap or hat
- Rain jacket
- Bath towel and toiletries
- Bible and a pen or pencil
- Medications

- Two garbage bags (for dirty clothes)
- Reusable water bottle (labeled with your name)
- Spending money for souvenirs and meals you have on your own

### DO NOT BRING:

- Alcohol, tobacco, vapes, non-prescription drugs, fireworks, or weapons (including pocket knives, mace, etc.)
- Valuables that could get lost, stolen, or damaged

### DRESS CODE GUIDELINES:

A great go-to for every day is a t-shirt and fingertip-length shorts! The following are **not allowed** on the grad trip:

- Low-cut tops
- Crop tops
- Short shorts (must be fingertip length)
- Sleeveless shirts or tanks
- Yoga pants (can be worn if covered by a long shirt)
- Muscle shirts or shirts that have been cut up
- Clothing with graphics or words that do not honor Jesus

## Have questions? Email us!

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