

Facility Use Policy

Big Canyon's facilities were provided through God's gracious provision and by the sacrificial generosity of many individuals. Therefore, facility use will only be permitted to persons or groups expressing, advancing, or advocating beliefs or practices that DO NOT CONFLICT with Big Canyon's Doctrinal Statement and Position Statements, which are listed on our website. Groups which are non-religious in nature are permissible, but they will be subject to a lower priority and by availability only. The executive director, or his official designee, is the final decision-maker concerning use of the camp facilities.

This restricted facility use policy is necessary for two important reasons. First, Big Canyon may not in good conscience materially cooperate in activities or beliefs that are contrary to its faith. Allowing its facilities to be used for purposes that contradict our beliefs would be material cooperation with that activity, and would be a violation of the organization's faith and religious practice. (2 Cor 6:14; 1 Tess 5:22.)

Second, it is very important that Big Canyon present a consistent message to the community, and that the camp staff conscientiously maintain that message as part of their witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Allowing facilities to be used by groups or persons who express beliefs or engage in practices contrary to the organization's faith would have a severe, negative impact on the message that the camp strives to promote.

Other Facility Use Guidelines

- Final payment is due within 14 days of your departure date. Any amount not paid within 14 days WILL BE charged an annual percentage rate of 15%.
- Cancellation by the GROUP will result in the following charges:
 - 180+ days notice- deposit refunded
 - 179 to 90 days notice – loss of deposit
 - 7 days– loss of the "Minimum Base Lodging Fee" (written on contract)
 - Less than 7 days notice - loss of the "Guaranteed Minimum" amount of contract
- Cancellation by either party due to severe and unsafe weather conditions, or restrictions by order of a civil authority which would prohibit the event, will result in a FULL REFUND

- Guests will not arrive on property until the assigned start time on this contract (4 pm unless other arrangements made). A setup team may arrive up to 2 hrs prior to your official arrival time
- Group will agree to allow a representative of Big Canyon (if appropriate) to present policies and helpful tips at the first meeting.
- Group will pay for all damages to camp property (outside normal wear and tear) caused by any member of the group. This includes graffiti on beds, trees, boulders, etc. (\$50/ sq inch)
- No pets, alcoholic beverages (w/o prior permission), or non-prescription/non-medical drugs will be brought to or consumed on the property, and smoking will not be permitted inside any of the buildings. \$150 fee per room affected will be applied for smoking in rooms, bringing a pet, or noncompliance with these rules.
- The group will provide a minimum of one adult leader (18 or over) for each ten youth (under 18)
- The group agrees to provide their own accident and liability insurance and will provide a copy of their Certificate of Insurance to Big Canyon NO LATER THAN 2 WEEKS in advance of the retreat.
- Group will provide a schedule to BIG CANYON no later than 7 days prior to arrival. Meals MUST BEGIN ON TIME. Meals will be served for up to 30 minutes from the scheduled start time. Please keep this in mind when planning your schedule and leave buffer time after meetings, small group time, etc. There is a \$25 charge for every 15 minutes of delay.
- Big Canyon's kitchen facilities are not available to groups to do their own meal preparation
- The group agrees to obtain clearance from Big Canyon's Guest Coordinator prior to selling any items on our grounds.
- The group agrees to transport sick or injured campers to and from the doctor's office or hospital if needed.