



CAMP FACILITY SELECTION OVERVIEW

The overall lens used by churches when evaluating camp facilities as a possible location to hold their Royal Family KIDS Camp week is **SAFETY**.

Here is how safety is addressed in 3 key areas of a camp facility:

1. CAMP USAGE

Does the facility run any additional camp groups (day or overnight) at the same time the Royal Family KIDS Camp is there?

Is the camp large enough that they can run simultaneously with little overlap or interaction?

Are the facilities and schedule such that pools, fields and the cafeteria can be used independently of the other group?

Who is the other group using the facility?

2. BATHROOM FACILITIES

Are the Bathroom/Shower facilities within the sleeping facilities or is it a separate building?

Because we maintain a two deep rule at all times (adult to child ratio), nighttime trips to the bathroom involve many people. Keeping the facilities within the sleeping building makes the policy easier to administer for the staff and counselors.

3. SLEEPING FACILITIES

While the camp facility may offer the number of beds needed, they may not be laid out in a way that is conducive to safety for our campers.

Nighttime can be the most difficult time for our campers.

Dorm style layouts make it difficult to address nighttime behaviors from our campers (i.e. night terrors, too scared to fall asleep, outbursts, unwinding at the end of the day does not come naturally for many of our campers – for some this is when they have needed to be the most vigilant at home).

Other key areas considered when evaluating a facility:

Is there a full kitchen facility that is staffed?

Is there a Hospital or Urgent Care Facility nearby?