



# NORTH CAROLINA AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL STATE UNIVERSITY

*EXTENDED CAMPUS: ONLINE, CONTINUING  
EDUCATION AND SUMMER SESSIONS*

## Prohibited Camp Activities Policy: Protection of Minors

### Purpose

To ensure the safety, well-being, and legal protection of all minors participating in university-sponsored camps and programs, the following activities are **strictly prohibited** unless expressly approved through the institution's risk management and youth protection protocols.

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### Section 1: Prohibited Water Activities

The following water-related activities are not permitted for minors:

- Swimming (pools, lakes, rivers) without certified lifeguards and written parental consent
- Canoeing, kayaking, boating, or paddleboarding
- Water park trips or rides involving water slides and splash zones
- Use of inflatable water slides or bounce houses with water
- No open-water activities, including beaches, rivers, or streams, etc.
- Scuba diving, snorkeling, or diving
- Any unsupervised or unstructured water play

### Section 2: High-Risk Physical Activities

For the protection of minors, the following physical activities are not allowed:

- Rock climbing (indoor or outdoor), unless certified staff and safety measures are in place
- Zip-lining, high ropes, or low ropes courses without institutional clearance
- Trampoline use or bounce house access without anchoring, adult supervision, and parental permission
- Martial arts sparring or physical contact sports (e.g., football, wrestling)
- Obstacle courses that include dangerous structures or sharp components
- Horseback riding or animal handling of non-domesticated species
- Use of motorized vehicles (e.g., ATVs, go-karts, golf carts)
- Rollerblading, skateboarding, or biking without proper safety gear and parental permission

### Section 3: Overnight or Off-Campus Restrictions

The following require written consent and strict supervision or are prohibited entirely:

- Overnight stays without prior parent/guardian consent and background-checked chaperones
- Unchaperoned or unauthorized field trips
- Visits to non-institutionally approved off-site locations
- One-on-one transportation of a minor by staff or volunteers

#### **Section 4: Restricted Content and Media**

To protect minors from inappropriate content:

- No showing of films or games above the minor's rated age group (e.g., PG-13 for under 13)
- No use of violent, adult-themed, or inappropriate games or materials
- No unsupervised social media activity; do not post identifiable photos or names of minors without prior parental permission

#### **Section 5: Restricted Physical Interaction Activities**

Activities involving potentially inappropriate or unsafe physical contact are prohibited:

- Trust falls or physical stunts requiring children to lift, carry, or catch each other
- Games that include close bodily contact, unless age-appropriate and directly supervised
- Horseplay, roughhousing, or physical challenges not sanctioned by camp staff

#### **Section 6: Hazardous Equipment or Materials**

Minors may not engage in:

- Use of sharp tools (e.g., utility knives, cutting blades, saws) unless directly supervised with protective equipment
- Fire-related activities (e.g., cooking over open flames, campfires) unless institutionally approved and supervised
- Chemical experiments involving hazardous materials without prior safety review

#### **Enforcement and Accountability**

All camp staff and volunteers must strictly adhere to these prohibited activity guidelines. Any violations must be reported immediately to the Camp Director and the Office of Extended Campus. Non-compliance may result in disciplinary action, including but not limited to dismissal from the program. Repeated or serious violations may also lead to suspending or discontinuing the summer camp program in the interest of participant safety and institutional accountability.