

**SNOW**  **bird**  
WILDERNESS OUTFITTERS

2026



**SUMMER GUIDE**  
**TO SW026**

## OUR MISSION

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**“Snowbird Wilderness Outfitters exists to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ through the exposition of scripture and personal relationships in order to equip the church and impact this generation.”**

## SW026 THEME

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This is the story of the whole Bible. All of Scripture tells us of how God has desired to be with us and has worked to make that a reality.

In the beginning, he created us to be in relationship with him. Adam and Eve walked in the Garden with God. We quickly ruined that relationship, but God, in his infinite foreknowledge, had already planned our redemption.

The Old Testament records the almost innumerable acts of God to draw us back to himself and create a way back into relationship with us. He pulled Israel out of slavery; he gave the law; he gave the prophets; he revealed himself over and over to be faithful. All of this was part of a plan that he began before the foundation of the world, so that we could know him and that he could dwell with us [Ephesians 1:4].

This plan was realized in Jesus! We could not ascend to the heavens to dwell with God, so God humbled himself and came to dwell with us. And not only did he humble himself to death, but he was raised from the grave so that we could rise with him. His death blazed a trail for us so that we could be with God in Glory. And he promised to return and establish his everlasting kingdom, so that we could have God with us, ruling and reigning for all of eternity.

This summer, at SW026, we are going to worship the God who longed to be with us, came to dwell with us, made a way for us, and is coming back to rescue us. We will study what God has done in the Old and New Testaments, examining the completed work of Christ, and we will look forward to the promises that will be fulfilled perfectly when Christ returns to dwell with us.



## CALENDAR CHECKLIST

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### January

- Update your camp spots! January 31st is the drop deadline for summer and missions camp spots. All spots dropped before the deadline result in the loss of the \$100 non-refundable deposit per spot. After the drop deadline, groups are responsible for the payment of the full price of any dropped spots. Drop unneeded spots before January 31st to avoid extra cost!
- Promote summer camp! Download promo video and graphics
- Have a parent meeting about summer camp

### March/April

- Start getting students registered for camp! Now is the time to send out your registration itinerary link to parents and chaperones if you have not already done so. All persons attending a SWO event, **MUST** complete the required registration forms through the SWO website before arrival at SWO. Your group's unique registration link can be found in your group's "Registration Confirmation Email", as well as in your SWO Account. To access the link in your SWO Account follow the steps below:
  1. Go to [swoutfitters.com](http://swoutfitters.com)
  2. Click Manage Account in the upper righthand corner and login
  3. Click Registrations on the top menu bar
  4. Click Manage Attendees
    - ~This takes you to your group roster page. As parent's and chaperones complete the registration process, their names will appear on this page and will show if all forms are completed. Click the "Blue Arrow" button that says "Share." Copy the link and send it to your parents and chaperones.
- Download summer camp pre-study content
- Have another parent meeting
- Send out the 'What to Bring' list to students

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### 30 Days Before Camp

- Registrations and Final Payment are due today! Make sure that all your students and chaperones are registered on your SWO roster and that your final payment for camp has been submitted. Final payments can be made online via Credit Card or ACH. If your group prefers to mail a check, please put in the memo, "Summer Camp Balance", and send it to the address below:

***Snowbird Outfitters***  
***75 Mae Johnson Way***  
***Andrews, NC 28901***

- Complete and submit your group's Background Check Compliance Form

### 1 Week Before Camp

- Watch Monday's arrival video.
- Notify the SWO Office if your group's male/female student breakdown has changed.
- Make sure all registrations have been completed.

**Pre-registration for camp next summer begins during checkout on Saturday!**

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# WEEKLY SCHEDULE

## MONDAY

3:00 - CHECK-IN  
5:30 - SUPPER #1  
6:15 - SUPPER #2  
7:30 - RECREATION SIGN-UPS  
7:45 - YOUTH LEADER MEETING  
8:15 - WORSHIP SERVICE  
10:30 - SHARE GROUPS  
12:00 - LIGHTS OUT

## TUESDAY

8:00 - BREAKFAST #1  
8:30 - BREAKFAST #2  
9:30 - WORSHIP SERVICE  
10:50 - BREAKOUT SESSION  
12:00 - LUNCH #1  
12:30 - LUNCH #2  
1:00 - RECREATION  
6:00 - SUPPER #1  
6:45 - SUPPER #2  
8:00 - WORSHIP SERVICE  
10:30 - SHARE GROUPS  
12:00 - LIGHTS OUT

## WEDNESDAY

8:00 - BREAKFAST #1  
8:30 - BREAKFAST #2  
9:30 - WORSHIP SERVICE  
10:50 - GUY/GIRL SESSION  
12:00 - LUNCH #1  
12:30 - LUNCH #2  
1:00 - RECREATION  
6:00 - SUPPER #1  
6:45 - SUPPER #2  
8:00 - GUY/GIRL WORSHIP  
10:30 - SHARE GROUPS  
12:00 - LIGHTS OUT

## THURSDAY

8:00 - BREAKFAST #1  
8:30 - BREAKFAST #2  
9:30 - WORSHIP SERVICE  
10:50 - BREAKOUT SESSION  
12:00 - LUNCH #1  
12:30 - LUNCH #2  
1:00 - RECREATION  
6:00 - SUPPER #1  
6:45 - SUPPER #2  
8:00 - WORSHIP SERVICE  
10:30 - SHARE GROUPS  
12:00 - LIGHTS OUT

## FRIDAY

8:00 - BREAKFAST #1  
8:30 - BREAKFAST #2  
9:30 - WORSHIP SERVICE  
10:50 - BREAKOUT SESSION  
12:00 - LUNCH #1  
12:30 - LUNCH #2  
1:00 - RECREATION  
6:00 - SUPPER #1  
6:45 - SUPPER #2  
8:00 - WORSHIP SERVICE  
10:30 - SHARE GROUPS  
12:00 - LIGHTS OUT

## SATURDAY

7:45 - CLEAN AND MOVE OUT  
7:45 - BREAKFAST #1  
8:30 - BREAKFAST #2  
9:15 - DEPARTURE

**DOWNLOAD**

**OUR APP**

**FOR A MORE**

**DETAILED SCHEDULE [HERE](#)**



### WEDNESDAY SPLIT

ON WEDNESDAY WE WILL SPLIT GUYS AND GIRLS BETWEEN MAIN CAMPUS AND NORTH CAMPUS DURING BOTH THE BREAKOUT SESSION AND EVENING SESSION

### YOUTH PASTOR BREAKOUTS

DURING EVERY BREAKOUT SESSION WE HOLD A SEPERATE YOUTH PASTOR BREAKOUT IN THE CHECK-IN BUILDING AT NORTH CAMPUS

### MINISTRY WIVES

ON WEDNESDAY AT 9:00 AM WE WILL HOLD A MINISTRY WIVES BREAKFAST MEETING IN THE CHECK-IN BUILDING AT NORTH CAMPUS

**\*THIS IS A TENTATIVE SCHEDULE AND MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE\***

## WHAT TO BRING

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### To Bring:

Bedding for a twin bed  
Towels and toiletries  
Bible, notebook/journal, pen  
Rain gear  
Flashlight/headlamp  
Clothes you don't mind getting dirty  
Shoes with secure backs for rafting  
Small personal First aid kit/bandaids  
Backpack  
Swimsuit\*  
SMD: workgloves, closed toe shoes

### Optional:

Reusable water bottle  
Sunscreen/aloë  
Bugspray  
Hat  
Sunglasses  
Quick dry clothes for water activities  
Sweatshirt/Jacket (summer nights can be chilly)  
Shower caddy  
Shower shoes  
Money for optional recreations  
Money for Snack Shack

### Do NOT Bring:

Portable games/electronics  
Alcohol  
Tobacco\*\*  
Drones  
Knives & Firearms  
Lighters & Fireworks  
Cellphones\*\*\*

### Important Reminders:

- We recommend checking the weather for zipcode 28901 before packing for your visit.
- Keep in mind that the weather in the mountains can be unpredictable year-round.
- Snowbird Wilderness Outfitters is not responsible for any lost, left or stolen items. Forgotten items can be mailed back at the attendee's expense.

**\* Girls: One-piece swimsuit; or, two-piece swimsuit paired with a modest tank top and shorts**

**\*\* Including vape pens, e-cigarettes, and other drug or smoking-related items**

**\*\*\* We recommend that students DO NOT bring cell phones. However, enforcement of this policy is left to individual student pastors and group leaders.**

## SWO MEALS

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- SWO meal times run on two different rotations, 1st and 2nd meal in either the Metal Building or The Coop
- Your groups meal time and assigned meal building will stay the same for the entire week.
- Varying food options are offered at each meal. (See below)

Breakfast - Main line, yogurt bar, bagels

Lunch - Main line, soup/salad bar, side bar

Dinner - Main line, salad bar

***\*\*Please stay within your groups assigned meal time and building.\*\****

## CHARTER BUS DIRECTIONS

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The following directions will avoid railroad tracks and tight right-hand turns for large buses and coaches. This route varies from GPS recommended routes.

From the SWO North Campus head east HWY 19 / 74.

In 1.8 miles turn right onto Stewart Road.

In .1 mile turn right onto HWY 19 BUS.

In .4 miles turn left onto Pisgah Rd.

In .9 miles turn left onto Minnow Farm Rd.

The camp entrance is at the end of Minnow Farm Rd.



**SCAN  
HERE**   
**FOR DIRECTIONS  
FROM NORTH TO  
MAIN CAMPUS**

## LIST OF REC OPTIONS

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### On-Campus Recreation

- 3-Man Swing
- Aerial Park
- Archery
- Archery Tag
- Basketball Court
- Bermuda Triangle
- Climbing Tower
- Disc Golf
- Gaga Ball
- Goliath Swing
- Gun Range
- Laser Tag
- Paintball\*
- Poopie Pole
- Putt-Putt Golf
- Quick-Flight
- Rec Field
- Sand Volleyball
- Swimming Pool
- Tube Slide
- Waterslide
- Zip-line

### Off-Campus Recreation

- Canoeing
- Hiking
- Lake tubing
- Nantahala Whitewater Rafting\*\*
- Ocoee Whitewater Rafting\*\*\*
- River Tubing

\* **Paintball:** Extra paintballs are available for an additional cost.

\*\* **Nantahala Rafting:** Each group is given an assigned river day. On that afternoon, your group will go rafting down the Nantahala river with an experienced SWO guide.

\*\*\* **Ocoee Rafting:** Offered on Friday afternoon for an additional cost.

**MAP OF MAIN CAMPUS**

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## CABINS AND TENTS

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|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| 1. FREEDOM         | 12. MABRY          | 23. MT. PLEASANT  |
| 2. ATLANTA STREET  | 13. HOMEWOOD       | 24. HILLSIDE      |
| 3. OLD MAGGIE TOP  | 14. BRANSON        | 25. WETUMPKA      |
| 4. TAMMY'S PLACE   | 15. BETHANY        | 26. BLESSED HOPE  |
| 5. NORM'S PLACE    | 16. TOGO           | 27. MCKINLEY AVE  |
| 6. CENTER GROVE    | 17. SPECIAL        | 28. PLEASANT HILL |
| 7. MATTHEW'S PLACE | 18. PAPA WALLACE   | 29. KRAFT         |
| 8. BETHEL          | 19. REFUGE         | 30. CRANFORD      |
| 9. SOUTHWEST       | 20. LOCKHART       | 31. BOZEMAN       |
| 10. RICE           | 21. PENDERGRASS II | 32. GATTEN        |
| 11. WAKEFIELD      | 22. EARWOOD        |                   |

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## BATHOUSES

1. BRICK BATHHOUSE
2. COOP BATHHOUSE
3. HILL BATHHOUSE
4. SMO BATHHOUSE

## FACILITIES

1. COOP
2. METAL BUILDING
3. YOUTH PASTOR LOUNGE
4. REC SHED
5. BARN
6. SNACK SHACK
7. PRAYER CHAPEL
8. MEDBAY

## REC SITES

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|--------------------|-------------------|
| 1. THREE MAN SWING | 9. POOPIE POLE    |
| 2. CLIMBING TOWER  | 10. GUN RANGE     |
| 3. AERIAL PARK     | 11. BASKETBALL    |
| 4. ZIP LINE        | 12. GAGA PIT      |
| 5. POOL            | 13. VOLLEYBALL    |
| 6. ARCHERY TAG     | 14. DISC GOLF     |
| 7. PAINTBALL       | 15. GOLIATH SWING |
| 8. PUTT-PUTT GOLF  | 16. SLIDE         |



## SWO MEDICAL INFORMATION

**Group Expectations** - While at SWO, church/school group leaders and chaperones are the primary persons responsible for student care, including management of injuries and medical conditions. Group leaders should discuss student medical needs with parents/guardians before arrival at SWO to ensure they are aware of pertinent care instructions, medication needs, emergency action steps and any activity restrictions related to the student's condition(s). Group leaders are strongly encouraged to bring a first aid kit to treat minor injuries/illnesses within their group. The SWO Medical Station can provide initial wound dressing and medication dosage, but continued wound care and medication dosage is the responsibility of group leaders. Group leaders are also encouraged to monitor students' food and water intake due to the nature of attending an outdoor camp. Lastly, if any student requires a rescue medication such as an inhaler, epipen or seizure rescue medication, please ensure that the medication is kept on their person at all times. Use the QR code below to reference SWO's full medication policy.

### In Case Of A Medical Event

**Life-Threatening Emergency** - Always dial 911 and alert a Snowbird staff member.

**Non-Life-Threatening Medical Event** - In the event of a non life-threatening injury or illness, please call the **SWO Medical Line at (828)-351-6971** to get in touch with a First Aid/CPR certified staff member. (A registered nurse is available for various summer camp weeks.) Our medical staff may not be available for late night calls. If non-emergent assistance is needed, call again at breakfast time the following day. This number is to be used for medical events only and is not active outside of scheduled events. Please refer all questions/concerns outside of scheduled events to the SWO main office, 828-321-2210.

**SWO Medical Station** - The Medical Station is located in the Coop Lounge.

### Medical Providers We Recommend

**Erlanger Express Care** - Andrews, NC - (828) 321-4510

**Urgent Care Center By Erlanger Western Carolina Hospital** - Murphy, NC - (828) 837-4712

**Erlanger Western Carolina Hospital** - Murphy, NC - (828) 837-8161

### Local Pharmacies

**Turner's Pharmacy** - Andrews, NC - (828) 321-3327

**Walgreens** - Murphy, NC - (828) 837-5512

**SCAN HERE TO  
ACCESS ENTIRE  
SWO MEDICAL INFO**



## ONLINE REGISTRATION

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### ATTENDEE REGISTRATION

All attendee registration is completed online through the SWO website. Upon registration, you received a "Registration Confirmation Email" with a highlighted registration link. Group members will complete their registration forms using this link. Simply copy the link and send it to all members of your group. For students under the age of 18, parents must complete the registration process. Group members 18 years or older can complete the process themselves. If you cannot locate your "Registration Confirmation Email", the registration link is also accessible in your Snowbird Account.

Use the step below to access your Snowbird Account:

- Go to [swoutfitters.com](http://swoutfitters.com)
- Click Manage Account in the upper right hand corner and login
- Click Registrations
- Click Manage Attendees under your itinerary
- Click the blue arrow button that says "Share." This will provide you with your unique registration link.

### GROUP LEADER REGISTRATION TIPS

- As the Group Leader, you are responsible for tracking the registration progress of your group members and ensuring that all group members have completed the registration process and necessary forms **before arrival at SWO**. This is done through your Snowbird Account. The "Manage Attendee" page allows you to track the progress of your group members as they complete the registration process.
- If a group member has a red exclamation mark next to his/her name, the student/chaperone is missing one of the required forms. The student's parent or the chaperone will need to log into their SWO account at [swoutfitters.com](http://swoutfitters.com) to complete the missing form(s).
- Because SWO does not collect payments directly from students, it is highly recommended that you create a separate list of your group members in order to track payments and cross reference your "Manage Attendee" page. This will allow you to track who hasn't followed the registration link yet.
- If a student drops out of your group, remove them from your roster by clicking the "Remove Attendee" button next to their name. This opens the spot to be claimed by another attendee.

## ONLINE REGISTRATION

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### GROUP LEADER REGISTRATION TIPS

- If you would like to add or drop spots from your itinerary, please contact the Snowbird Office at 828-321-2210.
- For households registering multiple people, follow the registration link to register each individual attendee. I.e. follow the link to register the first family member. Once the first family member's registration is completed, close the window and follow the link again for the next family member. Repeat this process until all family members are registered.
- If parents or chaperones in your group need assistance with the online registration process, please contact the Snowbird Office at 828-321-2210 Monday-Friday 8am- 4:30pm EST. We are here to help!

## SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT INFO FOR 1ST TIME GROUPS

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A. **Campuses** - SWO has 2 campuses. Main Campus is where you will stay, play and eat. North Campus is where all services and sessions are held (see schedule).

B. **SWO Staff** - During your week of camp, a team of dedicated, college-aged summer staff are assigned to work with your group. Their goal is to serve you and your students during your week. Each staff team is led by one or two SWO points-of-contact (POC). Your POC serves as your go-to person for any questions or help you need during the week.

C. **Share Groups** - Personal discipleship is at the heart of SWO's mission. Each evening, share groups are typically held by SWO staff with your students. During this time, SWO staff help your students unpack the day, discuss teaching sessions and answer questions. On arrival day, your SWO POC will meet with you to discuss how you would like share groups to be structured.

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D. **Discussion Logs** - All conversations of spiritual significance between SWO summer staff and your students will be documented and sent to you following your week of camp. Our goal is to provide you with a summary of what your students learned during their week and equip you to provide discipleship follow up with them once home.

E. **Snack Shack & Food Truck** - Make sure your students bring extra cash for their week at camp! Whether it's a late night ice cream cone, burger & fries or a new hoodie, the SWO Snack Shack and Food Truck have got you covered!

F. **Chaperones** - SWO requires a minimum of a 1:10 chaperone to student ratio. If you are bringing both male and female students to camp, chaperones of each gender are required to attend. Chaperones lodge in the same cabins as students and are responsible for supervision during the week, including late night supervision.

G. **Rec Sign Ups** - Off-campus recreation sign ups are held on Monday evening at North Campus after dinner. Students have the opportunity to sign up for 2 off-campus recreations on a day of their choosing that does not conflict with their group's assigned Nantahala River day.

## CHECK-IN

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- Check-In will begin on Monday at 3:00pm EST at our North Campus. The address for the SWO North campus is 282 George Walker Drive, Andrews, NC 28901.
- Your SWO POC will call you to get your ETA. Please don't arrive too early on Monday as we are making final preparations for the incoming groups.
- Once you arrive, your group will take a group photo with our camera staff.
- After the photo, your group (students and chaperones) will go to the Super Coop building for an orientation video. You, as the group leader or youth pastor, will come to the multipurpose building to check your group in.
- At the multipurpose building, you will verify the total number of attendees with your group, the required forms will be checked, and any outstanding balances will be paid.
- Your lodging and meal assignments will be given out at Check-In. You will also receive parking passes for the number of vehicles that are remaining on campus for the event.
- Once your group is checked in and orientation is complete, your group will load up your vehicles and go to our main campus at 75 Mae Johnson Way, Andrews, NC 28901. There you will be able to move into your assigned cabins.
- Your group will have free time until your assigned meal time.
- For groups arriving on a charter bus that is not staying for the duration of the week, we ask that your charter bus waits for your group to go through Orientation. The charter will need to drive your group to the SWO main campus to unload luggage and people. This could potentially take 30 minutes.

## **CHECK-OUT**

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- Your group will need to check out on Saturday morning. You can check out before/after breakfast.
- You will need to communicate with your SWO POCs when your cabins are ready to be checked.
- Cabins will need to be swept for checkout. All trash and personal items must be removed. Once those things have been done, contact your SWO POC.
- Your guy POC will check the cabins that your guys are assigned to and your girl POC will check the cabins that your girls are assigned to.
- After all cabins have been checked, your POC will bring you to the front office to fill out the check out policy.
- Groups will be informed if any damage was found in the cabin checkout process.
- The front office staff will let you know if a payment needs to be made for damages.

## **USE OF SWO BRANDING POLICY**

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We are grateful for every ministry and organization that shares our heart for serving others and pointing people to Christ.

Because our camp's name and logo represent our ministry, we have a responsibility to steward them carefully. Families, churches, and campers who know Snowbird, can appreciate why we want must to guard against any misrepresentation. Protecting that clarity helps us serve with excellence and avoid any potential confusion.

For that reason, we kindly ask that the Snowbird name and logo not be used on any good or apparel. This policy is simply a matter of good stewardship and integrity before those we serve. If at any time you would like to explore a formal partnership or a co-branded initiative, we would be more than happy to discuss what that could look like.