

Utilizing Slack

2020 Virtual Camp Goodtimes



What is Slack?

Slack is a messaging service that can be used on your desktop/laptop, tablet, or mobile phone.

How do I get connected?

An invitation was emailed to all 2020 hired volunteer staff. Follow the included link to join our Camp Goodtimes workspace (campgoodtimes.slack.com) and create an account with your email. Utilize their web page version, download the desktop app, or mobile phone app to communicate with other 2020 Camp Goodtimes volunteer staff.

Direct Messages

- Connect with individual staff members.
 - Click a person's name under "Direct messages" to start chatting.
 - Don't see them? Click the + icon next to "Direct messages" to search for specific people or scroll through the expanded list of camp staff. Click their name and click "Go" to start chatting.
- Create a group chat with your cabin team to stay in touch.
 - Click the + icon next to "Direct messages" and select everyone you'd like to start a chat with (up to 8 people) and click "Go" to start chatting.

Channels

- Utilize pre-made channels:
 - **general-questions:** hub for general notes, questions for the group, etc.
 - **best-practices:** share what's working, resources you've found helpful, tips, tricks, helpful hints for using Zoom, etc.
 - **activity-staff-chat & cabin-staff-chat:** focused questions for respective groups, ask for help, offer assistance, etc.
 - **good-vibes:** opportunity to share fun stories, heart-warming moments, etc.
- Create new channels!
 - See an opportunity for a new channel? Take the initiative to create a new chat for conversation.
 - Click the + icon next to "Channels"
 - Click Create a channel to name your channel and add a description

Scenarios

I'm a cabin leader and my campers want a visitor during cabin time.

Share your request in the activity-staff-chat to see who may be available and interested. OR send a direct message to a specific staff member you (or your campers) would like to join you.

I had a behavior issue with a camper during activity time and want to talk to the cabin counselors about it.

Send a direct message to one of the cabin counselors to discuss the issue. OR create a group chat with both (or all three) cabin counselors to have a group discussion.

The kids in my cabin want to sing camp songs and I can only remember three.

Post in general-questions asking for help. OR create a new channel #camp-songs for others to contribute and share more songs to sing.