

# Ocean of Light Bahá'í Summer School Standards ~ 2026

Welcome to the Ocean of Light Summer School! We're so happy that you're here! To preserve and enhance group unity, and respect the standards of our Faith, the School Committee has adopted standards for all of us while at school. Each of these standards is designed to protect the Faith, the school, and the participants. They are fully obligatory for all attendees. Parents/Sponsors should ensure that children and youth understand and comply with these standards.

## Spirit of Conduct

- At all times, strive to show **love, respect, and kindness** to one another. We hope our community will show the utmost kindness, gratefulness, and helpfulness to the Seabeck staff who have carefully prepared the site for us, and who will be caring for us throughout our stay.

## If You are in Need of Assistance While at Camp

- If you need general assistance while at camp, please contact a committee member instead of reaching out directly to the Seabeck staff. The committee will communicate with Seabeck staff on behalf of our group. This helps to limit the impact we have on the Seabeck staff. Committee contact information is located at the desk in the Inn, & on the General info sheet in your registration folder.
- There are first aid kits in the Inn and Pines. We also ask participants to bring the basics.
- Please call 911 in case of an emergency.
- Additional bathroom supplies can be found at the desk in the Inn.

## Protection of Minors Standards

- Activities involving minors must be facilitated by teams of at least **two cleared adults** or **one cleared adult and youth over the age of 15**.
- ***The adult-to-minor ratio must never be one-to-one in situations that are behind closed doors or out of the line of sight of another adult.***
- When **transporting minors**, at least **two cleared individuals must be present in the vehicle**.
- **Rule of Three:**  
On rare occasions when it is not possible for **two** cleared individuals to accompany minors, the **Rule of Three** must be followed: at least **three individuals must be present**, and **at least one must be a cleared adult**.

## The following are not permitted at our summer school:

- Drugs or Alcohol
- Firearms
- Martial arts items
- Pets
- iPads, radios, TVs, Electronic toys, or games
- Computers (except laptops for adult work purposes only)
- Bikes, scooters, skateboards

## Dress Code

In keeping with guidance from our blessed Faith, all attendees should uphold **high standards of morality, courtesy, cleanliness, and modesty of dress**.

**We kindly ask that participants refrain from wearing the following:**

- Cami's or spaghetti strap tank tops
- Bikinis (Thank you for bringing a modest swimsuit if you plan to swim.)
- Crop tops, half-shirts, or muscle shirts

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- Short shorts/dresses/skirts

### Footwear Safety

**Please note our new footwear policy. This is due to the sharp shells on the beach and in the swimming area.**

- Shoes must be worn **at all times on campus.**
- **Sturdy, fully closed shoes are required for participation in all beach activities.**
- **Fully closed water shoes are required for participation in swimming activities.**

### Sleeping Quarters

- Sleeping quarters are reserved **only for those registered in that room.**
- **Same-sex guests may visit** if all room occupants consent.

### Lost & Found

- Please turn in lost items to the **Main Office.**
- Items will be kept for approximately **30 days.**

### Attendance

- **Class attendance is required for all ages.**

### Cell Phones

- **Adults:** Please silence your phones during classes and programs.
- **Children/JY/Youth:** Phones should be left in cabins during classes

### Food in Rooms

- Please minimize food kept in rooms.
- If food is kept in rooms, it must be **sealed when not in use** to prevent pests.

### Cleanliness

- Thank you for **picking up after yourselves and helping to keep the campus clean and beautiful.**

### Campus and Facilities Policies

- This is a **closed campus**; visitors and day students are not permitted.
- **Smoking** is only allowed in designated areas.
- Please respect **bedtimes, quiet times, and lights-out times**, especially near the sports courts (guest rooms are located above them).
- Please keep all **hotel and campus facilities clean and in good order.**
- Please report any physical damage or property loss to the committee so that we can work with the Seabeck staff to resolve the issues.
- Cost of repair for damage caused by participants to campus facilities will be the responsibility of the individual or (parents of minors).

### Campus Boundaries/Perimeters

- Campers must **remain on campus for the duration of the summer school.**
- Campers cannot venture into the woods except during recreation time, with the assigned hiking coordinator.
- **The boat, swimming, and all beach areas are off limits except during recreation time.**
- **Crossing the street to the beach is only allowed during recreation time and with designated recreation guides.**
- Campers may **only** visit the treehouse with an adult or appointed guardian. Remember the Rule of 3

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## Sponsorship for Youth Under 18

- Children/youth under 18 attending without a parent must have a **sponsor**.
- Sponsors must:
  - Be **21 or older**
  - Be **the same sex** as those they sponsor
- The parent or legal guardian must provide a **signed Sponsorship Form**.
- **Exceptions:** Grandparents, aunts, or uncles may sponsor related children of either sex.
- Sponsors and children **must be housed together** during the school.

## Parent & Sponsor Responsibility

- **Parents and sponsors are responsible for children and youth whenever they are not in class**, including:
  - Meal times
  - Free times
  - Evenings

## Health & Safety

- **Accidents or illness** must be reported to the **First Aid Staff or School Director**.
- Incident reports will be completed when necessary.

## Medical Release Forms

- **Release and Medical Authorization forms** are required for every individual on campus. They must be turned in upon your arrival to summer school.

**Thank you for understanding that failure to follow these rules may result in dismissal from the school. We are most grateful for your help in fostering an uplifting and loving environment! Please reach out to the Ocean of Light Summer School Committee with any questions.**

**Each participant must sign below after reviewing and agreeing to these Standards, or on behalf of minors unable to sign.**

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