## 2023 Silver Birch Ranch Dress Standards

Silver Birch Ranch desires to maintain an appropriate atmosphere at camp, so we have established a dress code for our *staff, campers, retreaters, and guests* that is both comfortable and modest. It has proven a very difficult task to define a dress code in absolute terms without creating loopholes and ambiguous guidelines. Our simple hope is to create an atmosphere of modesty and respect where people can be encouraged, yet not distracted. So please join us as we strive towards this goal with the following standards.

Both Males and Females

- All clothing must be in acceptable repair and appearance (no rips or tears in questionable spots).
- Clothing should not cause undue attention.
- No attire with reference to any type of alcoholic beverage, illegal substance, lewd, vulgar, indecent or sexually suggestive subjects may be worn.
- No wording on the back of pants or shorts.
- Shorts must be modest length. No short shorts, split-sided jogging shorts, or spandex shorts will be permitted.
- Clothing must not be so tight that it reveals undergarments.
- There must be no skin showing between the top of pants and the bottom of shirts while standing.
- Undergarments must not be seen.

## Females

- Halter tops, camisoles, spaghetti straps, tube tops, strapless and/or backless tops, tops with plunging necklines (no cleavage), and tight-fitting tops are not allowed.
- Tank tops are permitted as long as they cover all parts and completely cover undergarments.
- Leggings (Spandex/Lycra/yoga style) may only be worn under tops of appropriate length.
- Items of clothing which expose bare midriffs, bare chests, undergarments, or that are transparent (see through) are prohibited.

## Males

• Shirts must be worn at all times except in the lake, shower or cabin.

If you choose to dress inappropriately, you will be asked to change. Please plan ahead and pack accordingly.

## **Swimming & Water Activities**

Males: Swim trunks only. (No Speedos)

Females: Modest (no plunging necklines, low-cut backs, and/or high-cut leg openings) one-piece suits are recommended, however, two-piece tankinis are allowed as long as they are modestly cut and cover the midriff. Swim shorts over the swimsuits are highly encouraged.

Swimsuits that do not adequately cover the body are to be covered by a colored T-shirt.