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Greetings,

I am absolutely thrilled to share some wonderful news with you: **Highland Lakes Camp and Conference Center has officially been approved for our Youth Camp license!** We have passed our state inspection, and our updated Emergency Action Plans are fully in compliance with the new state laws.

Thank you to everyone for your continued prayers and patience during what has been a rigorous and challenging process. Your support means the world to us. Through close coordination with state leadership, we have fortified our operations and made substantial investments in safety and infrastructure—including enhanced weather monitoring, robust emergency protocols, and upgraded communications. We believe deeply in our responsibility to be prepared, and we have met these new standards with rigorous dedication.

Now, our focus shifts entirely to the incredible summer that lies ahead! As we have carefully reviewed our policies, procedures, and the realities of daily life on camp, I am confident that Highland Lakes Camp is a safe, secure, and deeply enriching place to welcome campers and families from all across Texas.

The momentum is already building on the grounds, as our summer staff arrives for training and orientation this week. The energy is contagious, and our team is ready to deliver an unforgettable experience. Our Camper Safety webpage, outlining our recent enhancements in detail, is also now being published for your reference.

We are so grateful for our community and are entirely focused on the joy, growth, and fellowship ahead of us. We are thrilled to experience Summer 2026 with you all!

See you soon,

Sincerely,

Steven Gaither
Executive Director
Highland Lakes Camp and Conference Center