

2019 High School Summer Camp Director's Letter

Dear High School Families,

We are so excited that your student is going to be joining us for summer camp and everything Jesus is going to do August 2nd-6th. There has been a lot of prayer and planning put into this week in hopes that it would be a time where students would truly encounter the living God. And from camp that they would move forward in his power and love as they walk daily with him.

This year's camp vision is centered on the daily walk that we get to have with Jesus. We are aware that this walk is different than what the culture deems as important. We want to focus on what it means to walk with Jesus in our daily life. Instead of just following Jesus when it is fun or easy we want to learn what it means to walk with him through the marathon of life not just a sprint.

Our camp will be located at Macleay Conference and Retreat Center in Salem, OR. Our camp speaker for the weekend will be Ben Flemming, who is the Young Adults Pastor at Westside Church in Bend! Ben is someone who is passionate about young people knowing and following Jesus, and is extremely excited to share about the love of God!

As we head into the summer, the greatest thing we can do for the camp is to pray over what God is going to do and over everyone who is going, both students and leaders! As

great as the campsite and leaders going are, the main thing we want to prepare for is Jesus showing up and meeting students where they are at! We would also encourage you to pray for students to prepare their heart to be met by God, as we want the soil to be ready for the seeds God wants to sow! Once again, we are very excited that your student is joining us for the week ahead, and are expectant for what God is going to do.

Take care & God bless,

Cassandra Dieterich and Hayden Crook, Camp Directors

High School Camp Prep:

Below you will find useful information to help prepare you and your student for camp. If we do not answer all of your questions here, please feel free to contact us at any time. Camp Director: Cassandra Dieterich & Hayden Crook, cdieterich@b4church.org

CAMP LOCATION:

Macleay Conference & Retreat Center 2887 74th Ave SE Salem, OR 97317

PACKING LIST:

DO Bring:

- Sleeping bag & pillow
- Bible & pen & journal
- Toiletries & towel
- Sunscreen
- Water clothes (dark shirts/tanks are to be warm over bathing suits around camp)
- Flashlight
- Active shoes
- Water bottle (clearly labeled)
- Team colored clothing for competitions
- Charming personality :-)

Do NOT Bring:

- Gum
- Cigarettes, chewing tobacco, etc.
- Weapons of ANY kind
- Illegal drugs or alcohol
- Fireworks
- Pets
- Magazines, other inappropriate reading materials
- Electronics or media players of any kind
- Cell phones

 Skimpy or immodest clothing (campers will be asked to change if we see a problem; students need to be modestly dressed to the discretion of the leadership team at camp)

SPENDING MONEY:

We recommend that you bring a modest amount of spending money (\$10-\$30). The following items will be for sale at camp:

-Snacks during free time (ice cream, chips, candy, refreshments, etc)

VISITOR POLICY:

All of our camps have a No Visitor policy to ensure the safety of our campers, and to provide them with a week undistracted by "life away from camp." All requests to visit must be made <u>in advance</u> to one of the High School Camp Directors, Cassandra Dieterich, cdieterich@b4church.org

WELLNESS POLICY:

All campers should be free of the following symptoms 24 hours prior to camp for participation. Those who arrive with any of these symptoms will be sent home:

- Fever of 100 degrees or more
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Contagious Skin Infection
- Lice **

*Should your camper become ill at camp or be injured in such a way as to require home care, parents will be notified and are expected to come and pick up their child.

**Please check your son/daughter for lice prior to camp and treat as needed. Should our nurse discover lice on your student's head after arrival at camp, the camper must go home for treatment.

WATER BAPTISM:

We will be encouraging students to be baptized and have a signup available at camp. We will have the baptisms during our **Summer Nights Celebration** after camp, so that family will be able to join in the celebration!

CHECK IN & DEPARTURE:

We do ask that you accompany your student through the on-site registration process the day of departure, Friday August 2nd, due to the amount of information required.

Travel Schedule:

*Please make sure your camper has eaten breakfast upon arrival to the church. Friday, August 2nd

10:30 am Registration Begins at B4 Church (*Due to preparation needs, we will not be able to accept any campers until the doors open at 10:30*)

12:00 pm Buses Leave for Camp **Tuesday, August 6th** 3:30 pm Buses arrive at B4 Church

MEDICATIONS:

***Campers must turn in ALL medications to the camp nurse upon arrival to check-in. Please help us safely care for your camper by using the following guidelines for medications:

- Place medication in a zip-lock bag with the campers name clearly printed on the outside and shut.
- Must be in **original containers** whether prescription or over-the-counter.
- Dosage given on prescription label will be given unless changed in writing by the physician.
- Over-the-counter medications are available at camp, but be sure to clarify with nurses according to needs and supply
- If you want your camper to have a specific brand (i.e. Tylenol, Advil, Triaminic etc.), you must send it with him/her in its **original** container.

*** NEW POLICY***

After camp, all medications will return to B4 Church with the nurses. Parents will need to pick up the meds when they come to pick up their student on Tuesday the 6th.

CAMP MAIL:

If you would like to send your camper mail address to the following

"Camper's Name"
C/O B4 HS Summer Camp
Macleay Conference & Retreat Center
2887 74th Ave SE
Salem, OR 97317

Care Packages:

- Please ensure these packages do not contain an abundance of sugary treats (their counselors will appreciate this act of self control on your part)
- Packages Sent via UPS or FedEx should be addressed to the above address
- Be sure to send any mail or packages by Tuesday morning the week of camp to ensure it arrives during camp.

EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBER.....

If before 8pm (513) 253-6622 (Ashleigh Rich)

After 8pm (503) 707-9888 (Cassandra Dieterich)

Should you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact us!

*Please fill-out and sign the Dean Form and bring with you to the Dean's table during check-in.