

CHURCH CAMP COORDINATOR

Dear Camp Coordinator or Pastor,

We have some major changes to boys/girls camps this year that we will need your help in communicating with your church. First is that boys/girls camp is the same week: July 18-22. They will still be run as two separate camps, but will be run at the same time. Second, all registration for camps this year are to be done online. Registration is found at www.monaz.org, go to Ministries and click on Children's , then go the Camp tab. You as the coordinator need to decide how this will be done. Teen camp has run into a few bumps and recommended that we either:

1. Bring everyone together with their information and register all together with one church check.
2. Start registrations at church with one church check (collect money ahead) and then let them finish the registrations at home.
3. Let each parent register on their own.

It is vital that you help your parents understand and register this way. The program does not let them register without check payment, so this first year might require some help from you.

Information for camps and the link to register at are located at monaz.org under children's tab.

Do This

- Copy and distribute parent letter
- Help parents to find online registration. All payments are online only and need to be done with each registration (or if you are doing with one church check, must be done together)
- There are no forms to mail. All forms are to be filled out online and all money must be paid online.

Counselors

1. All Counselors are to register online also. All counselor forms are part of their registration.
2. Background Clearances are required. Each local church should be screening volunteers. Please make sure that your counselor has been screened and that their paper work is sent correctly through the online registration.
3. The Pastoral Recommendation form needs to be filled out by your pastor and is part of the online registration.

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Counselor/Staff Requirements

Age limits? All lead counselors must be 21 years of age or older. Those 16-20 years of age may register as a junior counselor. They will need to register online also and pay at that time only the \$120 will be due. All junior counselors must be pre-approved by the camp director. Junior counselors must pay the \$120 campground fee.

How many counselors are required? For every 4 kids you send, you need to send a lead counselor. Otherwise, kids from your church will be accepted on a “first come, first spot available” basis, and cannot be guaranteed to be placed together.

Counselor Training. There is a required training for all counselors. There are two training sessions to choose from. Either the night before camp starts at Pinecrest. The other training session is during the districts V16 day on May 21st. We need all counselors to attend one of these two training sessions.

Remember These Policies

Please support and help communicate these policies:

***Closed Campground Policy:** For the safety of all the campers: Once campers arrive at Pinecrest, they will not be allowed to leave the grounds and return. Also, there are no visitors allowed.

***No Camper Call Policy:** For the focus of the camper, we ask that they not bring cell phones. Also, calls from home often make campers homesick. If there is any concern, directors will contact the parents. Parents are also free to contact the camp directors at any time to inquire about kids.

Preparing Kids for Camp

- Please remind campers that they don't need to bring money, cell phones, etc...

Arrival & Pick-up

Campers should arrive between 10-11AM on Monday July 18th. Registration is in the Pinecrest Chapel for girls and Lakeside Chapel for boys.

Campers should be picked up at 12:00 PM on Friday. Drivers and parents are welcome to attend final chapel at 11:00. (Please don't take campers early. Please check campers out from their counselors.)

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