

About Summer Camp – Letter to Parents

"Welcome Home" is the theme for this Summer. Since so many of us are returning to camp after being gone for two years, this theme reflects the beginning of a new season at camp where we want everyone to know they are welcomed!

Summer Camp at Camp All Saints is a time for young people and the adults who care about them to grow in their knowledge of and relationship with Christ; through experiencing Christ as they explore his creation and the love he has for all of us shared through new friends made at camp.

Our Mission at Camp All Saints is to share the glory of God in creation and the love of Christ in word and deed.

Activities that young people will enjoy while at Summer Camp include:

- archery
- arts and crafts
- campfires
- daily chapel and Bible study
- dance and cheer
- fishing
- hiking
- low and high ropes courses
- making new, lifelong friends
- mountain biking
- swimming

This summer is unique in that all age groups - rising 3rd through 12th graders - are able to enroll for any of the 3-week sessions. With the wide range of ages at camp, come concerns about safety.

At Camp All Saints *safety is our top priority* for your child(ren). Whether it be at the waterfront, climbing high to enjoy the big swing, hiking in the wilderness with all God's creatures, hanging out around the campfire, or slumber time in their cabin, we want you to know the safety of your child will always be our top focus. In addition to thorough background checks, our staff will go through extensive training on issues posing safety threats to our children and subsequent safety practices and procedures.

Age groups - Elementary vs Middle School vs High School - will be separate for all activities except for morning worship, dining, Deans' time, and to some extent evening activities. We are aware of concerns regarding having all ages assembled for the same week of camp and are taking serious precautions to ensure everyone's safety.

Upon arriving at camp, campers will be given their cabin assignments and unload their luggage. We will be conducting swim tests to determine who is eligible to partake in our water activities. Please know ahead of time, some campers WILL NOT PASS the swim test. We have to make sure your camper is a strong enough swimmer to handle lake swimming. That afternoon at 3:00 pm we will hold a parent-child meeting to go over rules and expectations for the week. Then later that day, campers will meet the staff.

Prior to camp, parents will have an opportunity to participate in a parent meeting via Zoom. Meetings will be held on Saturday, May 14 at 3:00pm or Monday, May 16 at 7:00 pm. The purpose of these meetings will be to address logistics (scheduling, cabin assignments, handling behaviors), safety

protocols, and answer questions not previously addressed. Please send Deacon Katie an email at kgerber@edod.org if you would like to participate in this meeting.