

# Serve Your World Camp



## Parent Handbook 2019

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Dear Families:

Thank you for choosing North Naples Church for your child's camp experience this year. Serve Your World Camp 2019, will provide children with an opportunity to participate in service-focused activities that will open their eyes to the importance of serving others, including those right here in their own community. Through worship, lessons, and mission activities, children will understand the importance of being doers of the word.

In this handbook you will find information regarding our week of Serve Your World Camp. We hope this will help you to know what you can expect from camp and what is expected of you. Please read it carefully!

If you have any questions please contact Marlene Foord, Director of Children's Ministry at [marlenef@nnumc.org](mailto:marlenef@nnumc.org) or Debi Siciliano, Children's Ministry Associate at [dsiciliano@nnumc.org](mailto:dsiciliano@nnumc.org).

We look forward to a great week!

North Naples Kids Staff

# Mission Statement

The mission statement of North Naples Kids is to “inspire and equip kids to follow Jesus”.

## Discipleship Process

Connect | Attend | Study | Serve



- **Connect:** We believe life with Jesus is better than life without Him. Therefore, we create avenues to help people connect to church and faith. We encourage attendees and members to invite friends and help them get connected to North Naples Church and the Christian faith.
- **Attend:** We believe in gathering to worship God. We encourage people to regularly attend a service where they can come to God in worship.
- **Study:** We believe in spiritual growth through studying God’s word with other believers. A study group is available for every stage of the faith journey.
- **Serve:** We believe God has given each of us unique gifts and called us to serve. Sharing God’s love in a tangible way through service is a reflection of our faith and Christ’s example.

# Important Information

## *Drop-off and Pick-up Procedures:*

- Drop-off and Pick-Up will take place in the Wesley Center.
  - Drop-off time is 8:30am
  - Pick-up time for Week 1 is 12:30pm / Pick-up time for Week 2 is 1:00pm
  - For Week 2, any child that is not at camp by the time of departure to off-site projects, will not be able to participate in the project. Also, there will not be any camp staff remaining at the church during off-site project times.
  - Anyone needing to depart early will need to check in at the table outside Founder's Hall and will not be permitted to enter Founder's Hall. Camp staff will bring the child to the parent. Early departures for Week 2 are not permitted while we are at off-site project sites, and will not be permitted *from* the project site, unless it is a clear emergency and approved by the Camp Director.
- Please be on time for drop-off and pick-up. Late picking up campers will incur a late fee.
- Although we understand that absences will happen, we ask that you help us to make your child's camp experience great by limiting absences during the week. Please inform us on Monday of any potential absences during the week. There are no refunds or pro-rated fees for days missed.

## *Payments, Refunds and Cancellations:*

- Credit card payment in full is required at the time of registration. If you are unable to pay by credit card, contact Debi Siciliano for alternative options.
- A \$20.00 processing fee applies to all refunds and cancellations. To cancel, call Debi Siciliano at (239) 593-7600. No refunds after June 1, 2019.
- The cost of camp is not pro-rated based on days attended, as another child is not able to fill another camper's space for only a few days of the week.

## *Form Checklist:*

All forms must be completed and delivered to the Church Office no later than June 1, 2019.

- Camper Code of Conduct
- Photo/Media Release Form
- Medical & Authorization Form (requires notarization)

## *Behavior Issues:*

- All **campers and parents** are required to sign the "Camper Code of Conduct" form listing the acceptable behavior required of all campers during their stay at camp.
- Parents will be contacted if there is a continuous problem of non-participation in the program, bullying, telling off-color stories or using such language, or any other behavior that detracts from the Christian and wholesome environment the camp wishes to provide. Profanity and cut-downs are prohibited. These issues could lead to dismissal from camp.

## *Bible Study and Worship:*

Campers will participate in daily Bible study and worship times. Content focuses on Christian behavior and is explored through lessons, stories and songs. However, we respect each individual camper's right to make their own decision regarding spiritual matters. Every staff member is a follower of Christ and will model Jesus-like character.

## *Emergency Transportation:*

In the event of a medical emergency, your child may be transported to the nearest hospital in a private vehicle, belonging to a camp staff member, or in a church van if the injury occurs during Week 2. In these instances, two adults will remain with your child at least until you arrive. In critical emergencies, an ambulance may be called to transport your child. In this case, your child will be transported to the hospital selected by paramedics. In all cases of injury requiring a hospital visit, we will notify you immediately and you will be required to provide records of your child's insurance. If we are unable to reach you, we will call your emergency contact person.

### ***Illness/Injury Notification:***

In the event of illness, we will contact parents. In the event of a minor injury, first aid will be provided. If the injury is anything more than minor scrapes, cuts, or bruises, parents will be contacted. In a severe emergency, emergency transportation will be provided as described above. For severe injuries or illnesses, we will have a completed incident form for you to view and sign and a copy of the form for you to take with you.

### ***Sickness Policy:***

We want camp to be a positive and pleasant experience for everyone and rely on parents' cooperation regarding the sickness policy. Keeping a sick child home or being sent home (although we know it may be very disappointing) prevents the spread of illness to other children at camp. Only children well enough to fully participate in the camp should attend. If a child is ill, it is imperative that he/she stay home.

It is important that you notify the church if your child has been ill with a communicable disease (e.g., fever, vomiting, diarrhea, head lice) immediately prior to camp or during camp.

**If your child displays any of the following symptoms, please keep them home.**

- Diarrhea
- Severe coughing causing child to become red
- Green runny nose
- Yellow skin or eyes
- Redness of the eye
- 100 degree temperature when in combination of another symptom
- 103 degree temperature when taken under the arm
- Unusual rashes
- Lice
- Vomiting

If a camper gets sick while at camp, we will call parents to pick up the child. Children cannot return without a doctor's note stating that the child is free of a communicable disease. Children must be on antibiotics for 24 hours before returning. If sent home for an illness, that is not a communicable disease, the child must be symptom free for 24 hours prior to returning to camp.

### ***Lice Policy:***

North Naples Church does not employ anyone who has been professionally trained in the detection and treatment of head lice. It is the responsibility of parents to take an active role in checking for the presence of lice and nits and, if found, proceed with an appropriate treatment. If children are observed excessively scratching their heads, a visual inspection will be performed. If head lice and/or nits are found, the child's parents will be notified and the child will be sent home for a treatment of the parent's choice. Once a healthcare professional confirms that the treatment has been completed successfully, the child can return to church.

### ***General Information:***

- Clothing: Campers should come to camp ready to have fun and play! We will be doing various activities that may become messy so please have your child wear appropriate clothing. No open toe shoes, sandals, heels, or black sole shoes please. Make sure that your camper's name is on everything he or she brings to camp.
- Your child will be provided with a camp t-shirt and is encouraged to wear the t-shirt each day of camp, however, we understand that laundering every night may not be possible, so children are permitted to wear other comfortable clothing.
- Snack (Week 1): A variety of healthy snack options will be made available to your camper each day during Week 1. If your child has particular food likes and dislikes, sensitivities or allergies, please plan to pack a healthy snack for each day of camp. We strictly enforce a **no-nut policy** for the safety of our campers with allergies. Campers staying for After-Care each day will also need a packed lunch and an additional snack.
- Lunch (Week 2): Campers are required to bring their own lunch each day. We strictly enforce a **no-nut policy** for the safety of our campers with allergies. Campers staying for After-Care each day will also need a packed snack.
- Water bottles are recommended for each day. Bottles can be refilled at water fountains. Children will be discouraged from taking multiple water fountain breaks to avoid missing key information and fun during camp. For any outside activities, additional water stations will be provided.
- Camper to counselor ratio is 6:1 or 8:1 depending on age. Campers will be grouped into small groups according to age/grade. We ask that parents and campers agree to remain with the assigned grouping. Changes during camp cause difficulty for everyone and are we are generally unable to accommodate such requests.
- If your child is sick or will not attend a specific day of camp please email Debi Siciliano at [dsiciliano@nnumc.org](mailto:dsiciliano@nnumc.org) by 8 am on that day to inform us.
- If you have a child on the waitlist, we will contact you if a space should become available for him or her to attend. We reserve the right to cancel any program if the minimum registration numbers are not met or in case of unforeseen circumstances.
- A media release form is required to indicate preferences regarding photo releases.
- All community members are welcome to participate in our programs. Our programs are designed for anyone to participate regardless of membership at North Naples Church. Spread the good word!

### ***Other Events and Programs:***

North Naples Kids is a ministry of North Naples Church. We would love to have you and your family, join us in other programs that may interest you. Information about the ministry and the church is available on our website at [www.nnchurch.org](http://www.nnchurch.org) or you may wish to contact ministry staff directly:

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### **Early Childhood Programs (Sundays @ 8:15, 9:30 and 11:00am)**

**New Baby?** We love to celebrate new babies and adoptions. Please complete our online Baby Registry so we can share in your joy.

**Infant** We consider it a privilege to participate with you in forming your child's earliest impressions of God. Together we set an example for your child by sharing God's love and joy through our words, actions, and expressions.

**Pre-K (2-5 years old)** Join us for our very own, age appropriate worship service full of music, worship, Bible message, and play. We gladly partner with you in introducing pre-school age kids to their Heavenly Father. Before they graduate to our Elementary Program, we want them to know:

- God loves me
- God made me
- Jesus wants to be my friend forever

### **Elementary Programs (Sundays @ 9:30 and 11:00am)**

**K - 5th Grade** Your elementary aged child will enjoy large group worship and small group time. Before kids head off to middle school, we want to make sure these things stick:

- I need to make the wise choice
- I can trust God no matter what
- I should treat others the way I want to be treated

### **Pre-Teen Worship**

Your pre-teen is in 4th or 5th grade and starting to wonder what God can do in them to change the world and make it a better place. Before pre-teens head off to our NextGen Ministry as a middle schooler, we want them to understand and accept three relational motives in their lives by moving them to:

- Love God
- Love Life
- Love Others

Throughout the year, 5th graders will be invited to several NextGen Ministry events to begin the transition and to become familiar with NextGen Ministry programming.