

## Parent Packet

Dear Parents,

We are excited to host your High School Student for this year's Drive Retreat! Drive will be held on March 15-17th at the beautiful Windy Gap Young life camp just past Asheville, NC. We are looking forward to an amazing few days of fun and connecting with God! We pray this will be a weekend to remember for your High school student. This will be a fantastic opportunity for your student to connect with their LifeGroup, and other students from all campuses within the Advance Student Ministry. We are looking forward to being used by God to impact your student!

You probably have some questions about this big weekend, and hopefully this packet will provide the information you need. If you have additional unanswered questions, please feel free to contact the Trip and Event Team anytime between now and the beginning Drive. You can reach them at:

[familyministryevents@foresthill.org](mailto:familyministryevents@foresthill.org)

Please be sure you go over the material in this packet with your student so they have an understanding of what to expect over the weekend! We also ask that you please be diligent in completing your students' profile to 100% on CampDocs to ensure we are fully prepared for your student's needs. **Information should be completed by 2/18. Without complete information, and an account paid in full or setup on an automatic payment plan, your student is not guaranteed a spot on this trip.**

In addition, we'd like to invite you to our parents meeting for all parents with students attending this weekend. This meeting to inform you, and give you insight and tools to help you and your students navigate through the content from this weekend, and the way God may be speaking to them as they come home. If you'd like to attend this meeting, please RSVP by clicking here:

<http://vid.us/kzehm7>

Our prayer is that your student will continue to build the foundation of Truth in their life for life long transformation as they leave the day-to-day reality behind and spend a weekend Growing in Christ, Knowing Christ so they can Go for Christ.

Blessings,

Family Ministry Drive Team

## **Drive FAQ's**

### **When does Check in for Drive begin?**

Check-in starts at 4:30pm sharp on Friday, March 15th. Buses will be departing no later than 5:15pm for Windy Gap. Chick-fil-A will be provided for dinner.

### **Where do I check-in?**

The check in process will be at our South Park campus. As you drive onto the property, be sure to look for our Advance logo. A staff member will greet you and help guide you through the check in process before loading the charter buses.

We will be setup in the large courtyard located on the South side of our building. We will have Advance flags out, and tables set up for check in (In case of rain, please follow the signs to park, and check in.)

### **Should my student have dinner before Check-in?**

We will be providing Chick-fil-A at check in for students to eat on the bus.

### **What if my student needs to take medication while at Drive?**

To ensure everyone's safety, all PRESCRIBED medications need to be turned in at check in. (Our nurse will only be gathering prescribed medications from students. Please do not send your student with over the counter medications to turn in.) Students will be able to keep insulin, epi pens, inhalers on them over the weekend.

Please keep in mind Windy Gap has a completely stocked medical clinic. Students do not need to bring common over the counter medications as the medical clinic has these available for students as needed.

We've included a medication authorization form in this packet. Please be sure to print and complete this form **BEFORE ARRIVAL** and turn in **AT THE TIME OF CHECK-IN ONLY** if your student has medication to take during Drive. Please do NOT send this form in ahead of time! Students with medication will be directed to our nurse at the time of check in.

### **What do I need to bring to Check-in?**

If your student has medications, they need to bring their completed medication form and medications. (Medication form is attached to this packet)

Waiver completed and signed (attached to this packet)

### **When do I find out who my student is rooming with?**

Please remember we do our best to accommodate rooming requests. Please make all requests in your CampDoc account. Mutual requests will be seriously considered. Official rooming lists will be available at check in.

### **What are the sleeping arrangements?**

Windy Gap has large cabins with several rooms in each cabin. Students will be rooming with other students, and leaders will be present to chaperone. Cabins do not include bedding. Your student will need bed linens and pillow.

### **Who are the chaperones?**

A team of life group leaders will be assigned to large cabin groups, and we will have a team of staff members, work crew volunteers, and a nurse for the entire weekend. Our LifeGroup leader/student ratio is 1:8. The LifeGroup leaders will work together to ensure that all students are cared for, all the time. All of our LifeGroup leaders have been background checked and will have attended a mandatory Drive training.

### **What is the policy about electronics and cell phones?**

We would like to encourage as much screen-time free as possible over the weekend, with that in mind cell phones are allowed, but within free time and meal times. Please keep in mind cell reception isn't great so you may not hear from your student. In an emergency, please contact our Trip Leader (contact info listed below).

### **What does a day at Drive look like?**

A daily schedule is included in this packet. Students will have a mix of program time, games, Life Group time, and free time throughout the weekend.

### **Should I send my student with any money?**

Windy Gap operates a snack bar, and has a gift shop. Students will have access to these during free time.

### **What about the food?**

Meals will be served in the Windy Gap dining room. Each meal is balanced and a variety of foods are offered. However, if your student has special nutritional requirements or food allergies, you must let us know ahead of time! We will not be able to accommodate for "picky eaters", but will ask the food service for assistance with medical needs.

### **Can I send my student with snacks?**

Please do! The healthier the better, but please remember they are only at Drive for 2 days and they won't starve, we promise! So please don't go overboard. We usually

send home a large portion of the snacks sent! Please keep all snacks nut free as well to honor those students with allergies. We'd appreciate you minimizing the amount of sugary snacks you send too!

### **What is the Refund Policy?**

We understand things come up, and we want to work with you. Please contact us to let us know if your student isn't able to attend for any reason. We are able to offer full refunds until registration closes, after registration closes we keep your deposit. If your student drops within 2 weeks of the trip, we can't offer a refund.

### **Are there rules at Drive?**

Of course! Here are our general rules...please go over them with your student before coming to camp!

1. Boys and girls are not to go into each other's cabins.
2. Do not bring electronic devices including, iPods, tablets, laptops, laser lights or computer pets. (Cell phones are allowed during free time, but keep in mind there is no wifi and reception is not great in the mountains.) We want to be as screen free as possible! Please leave these at home. Any found will be collected and returned when Drive is over.
4. Students are required to attend all activities and meals.
5. Student are never to go anywhere alone (including cabins).
6. Students are expected to treat leaders and each other with kindness and respect.
7. Any damage done by a student to the facilities is the sole responsibility of the student and their parents.
8. If you need to contact us for any reason, Christina Sloat's number is on the emergency information portion of this packet. In the case of any emergency, we will call home for students.
9. Parents – ahead of time, please talk to your student about using appropriate language. There are many words out there that might be ok in your household, but in others, it is not. Key thought: if you have to ask if it's ok, then it's probably not. Please encourage your students to think about the words they use and to keep their language clean.

### **What does my student need to bring?**

A packing list is enclosed, but typical overnight items including all linens. In addition, students are encouraged to bring neon for our Saturday night event.

**What activities are available to students for the weekend?**

Swimming (if above 50°), zip lines, pool, disc golf, Gym and basketball, horses, Wiffle ball field, climbing tower, Giant swing, hot tub, Volleyball, gaga ball, game room, art space, and more! Saturday night we will be having a neon event, so encourage your student to bring something neon to wear!

**When will students arrive home, and where do I pick my student up?**

Students will arrive back to South Park campus on Sunday around 4:30pm. Parents can pick up students as soon as they arrive on campus.

## **Packing List**

**\*\*\*IMPORTANT ITEMS- Sleeping bag/Linens, pillow, Bible, Journal\*\*\***

### **Clothes**

- Pants or jeans
- Shorts
- Shirts (short and long sleeve)
- Sweatshirt or Jacket
- Socks
- Underwear
- Hat/bandanas
- Flip-flops/Shower Shoes
- Tennis shoes for running around

### **Toiletries**

- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Sunscreen
- Soap
- Contact Solution
- Deodorant
- Face Wash
- Bug Spray

### **Miscellaneous**

- Bible
- Pillow and Sleeping Bag (there are no linens)

\_\_\_ Washcloth and Towel (for showering)

\_\_\_ Flashlight

\_\_\_ Hair dryer

\_\_\_ spending money (for snack bar and gift shop)

\_\_\_ Backpack. Cabins will be locked during free time (leaders will have keys). Students will need to keep whatever they want available on their person during the day.

PLEASE LABEL ALL YOUR STUDENT'S THINGS AS WE OFTEN COME BACK WITH LOST AND FOUND ITEMS

## **Weekend Schedule:**

### **Friday:**

4:30pm - Checkin at South Park  
5:15pm - Leave South Park (Chick-fil-A for dinner)  
8-9pm - Students Arrive at Windy Gap  
9:30pm - Program  
10:45pm - S'mores / LifeGroup  
11:00pm - Medications (for 30 mins)  
11:30pm - Back to Cabins

### **Saturday:**

8:15am - (optional) bible Study (w/snacks)  
9:30am - Breakfast  
10:00am - Medications (for 30mins)  
10:30am - Program  
12:00am - LifeGroup  
12:45pm - Lunch  
1:15pm - Medications (for 30 mins)  
1:30pm - Free Time  
6:00 - 6:30pm - Dinner  
6:30- 7:30pm - Group Activity  
7:30pm - Program  
9:00pm - LifeGroup  
9:30pm - Medications (for 30 mins)  
9:30pm - Seniors join Hill City  
9:00-11:30 – Student Hang out  
11:30pm - Back to Cabins  
11:30Pm - Seniors back to cabins

### **Sunday:**

7:30 am - Pack-up  
8:15am - optional bible study (w/snacks)  
9:30am - Breakfast  
9:00am - Medications (for 30 mins)  
10:00am - Program  
11:30am - LifeGroup  
12:30pm - Lunch  
1:30pm - Head Home  
4:30pm - Students arrive and parents pickup (students



**MEDICATION AUTHORIZATION FORM (This is to be filled out ONLY if you have medications to turn in! Please print and bring completed at check-in; DO NOT mail this in ahead of time!)**

**STUDENT'S NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDICATION(S)** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**DOSAGES**

\_\_\_\_\_  
I hereby grant permission for a Drive medical representatives to administer the preceding medications in the given dosages. Further, I authorize any emergency treatment necessary in the event of adverse reaction or overdose.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS FORM MUST ACCOMPANY ALL PRESCRIPTIONS**



GUEST CONSENT RELEASE FORM FOR OUTSIDE GROUPS USING YOUNG LIFE CAMP

NOTE TO GUEST: Young Life wants your experience at the Young Life camps to be a safe and healthy one. However, in the event of an accident or illness, it is important that we have the following information.

Name Last First Middle Initial

Birthdate Age Sex

Spouse/First Emergency Contact Last First Middle Initial

Home Address Street and Number City State/Province Zip/Postal

Business Address Street and Number City State/Province Zip/Postal

Phone Number Home Business

Second Emergency Contact Last First Middle Initial

Home Address Street and Number City State/Province Zip/Postal

Business Address Street and Number City State/Province Zip/Postal

Phone Number Home Business

Any allergies or other medical needs?

Name of Physician Last First Middle Initial Phone Number

Address Street and Number City State/Province Zip/Postal

I have had a physical within the last 24 months.

Medical Insurance Company Policy Number

Address Street and Number City State/Province Zip/Postal

INDEMNITY AND CONTRACT AGREEMENT: I will not hold or attempt to hold Young Life liable for any loss, damage or injury to person or property caused by any act or neglect of other persons on or about the Property, or caused in any manner other than the willful or negligent act of Young Life, its agents and employees, and will indemnify and hold Young Life harmless from any liability for damages or claims against Young Life arising out of or in any way related to any such loss, damage or injury.

I release Young Life, including its trustees, employees and agents, from my physical injury, including death, or illness while at the Property. I will assume the risk associated therewith, whether known or unknown to me at this time. This release is also intended to include all claims of my family, estate, heirs, personal representatives or assigns.

Authorization for Treatment: I hereby give permission to the medical personnel selected by the camp director to secure and administer treatment and to maintain and/or release any medical records necessary for insurance purposes as outlined under the HIPAA regulation, and to provide or arrange necessary related transportation for the above named person. To obtain a copy of Young Life's Notice of Privacy Practices, log on to www.younglife.org or call (719) 381-1950.

I verify that I am in good health and am capable of participating in strenuous activities, and when necessary, will tailor my activities to those within the bounds of my physical health. In Colorado, campers will participate in rigorous activities at 9,000 to 14,000 feet. I recognize that any medical treatment that is provided to me while attending a Young Life camp will be paid for by my medical insurance company.

WAIVER AND RELEASE IF I AM UNDER AGE 18, MY PARENT OR GUARDIAN, BY SIGNING BELOW, ALSO CONSENTS TO MY RELEASE AND HE OR SHE AGREES THAT THIS RELEASE SHALL BE BINDING UPON HIM OR HER AS MY PARENT OR GUARDIAN AS TO ME AND MY ESTATE, HEIRS, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES AND ASSIGNS. MY PARENT OR GUARDIAN ALSO PROMISES, BY SIGNING BELOW TO DEFEND, INDEMNIFY AND HOLD YOUNG LIFE HARMLESS FROM ANY CLAIM ASSERTED BY ME AGAINST YOUNG LIFE, INCLUDING ITS TRUSTEES, EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS, IF I SHOULD REPUDIATE THIS RELEASE AFTER OBTAINING ADULTHOOD.

Signature Date

Name of Your Group/Church Dates of Event

## **Emergency Contact**

Students will have access to their phones if they'd like, but reception is spotty on campus. In the case of an emergency or if you need to reach your student for any reason over the weekend please feel free to call us. Christina Sloat is our trip lead for the weekend, and would be happy to help connect you to your student. Also listed is the Windy Gap address and phone number.

### **Christina Sloat – Trip Leader**

704-517-4174

### **Windy Gap – Young Life Camp**

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