



PARENT

2021 WATERMARKS CAMP FAQ'S

Where is *Watermarks 2021 Summer Camp* being held?

Watermarks Camp, 1145 James River Road, Scottsville, VA 24590

What are the dates for *Watermarks 2021 Summer Camp*?

Underground: July 12 – July 16, 2021

Vertical: July 26 – July 30, 2021

How much does it cost to go to *Watermarks 2021 Summer Camp* as a student?

Student cost: \$440

How do I register? How do I pay?

Please note, there are changes in payments this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. REGISTRATION will open at 9am on Monday, March 1, 2021. This year, registration holds your student's spot for camp and allows us to continue camp planning. **We will not be collecting any payment until May 2021.** This allows us time to continue monitoring state regulations and CDC guidelines in the event of new regulations. Once it is confirmed we can attend summer camp and the number of students we can take with us, an email will be sent to registered families **in the order of their submitted registration.** The email will contain detailed information regarding PAYMENT instructions and questions to finalize your student's registration. Full payment will be due in May following this email. If payment is not made within the given time frame, you forfeit your student's spot to attend camp. For example, suppose state guidelines restrict us to 155 students. In that case, those who submitted their registration 156 and higher will not receive a final registration email with payment instructions until we determine which students (1-155) have dropped their spots. Unfortunately, we will not offer payment plans for camp this year, so please plan according. You can contact Lora Loconti at lora@parkvalleychurch.com if there are specific questions regarding the registration or payment process.

How do I apply for financial assistance?

If you or someone you know cannot go to *Watermarks 2021 Summer Camp* because of event costs, please email Lora Loconti at lora@parkvalleychurch.com for more information.

Is transportation provided to and from *Watermarks 2021 Summer Camp*?

We desire to provide commercial bus transportation to camp as we have done in the past. However, because of CDC guidelines surrounding COVID-19, parent transportation might be required. Our final decision will be solidified and communicated in May.

What is a day at *Watermarks 2021 Summer Camp* like?

Students will arrive at Watermarks Camp in time for lunch. Lunch is followed by Camp Orientation and settling into assigned cabins. Students will be given a swim test followed by time at the lake. Following dinner, everyone gathers for worship. For the remainder of the week, there will be morning and evening worship sessions as well as fun recreational games, activities, and fellowship time where we'll explore how to grow in a relationship with Jesus.

What is the role of a Cabin Leader?

Cabin Leaders care for students by leading small group times, ensuring students' safety, being present and available, and encouraging students to have the best week of their lives.

What is the Cabin Leader approval and training process?

All volunteers going to *Watermarks 2021 Summer Camp* must pass a federal background check and an interview process. Once volunteers are approved, they go through training before going to camp.

How do I volunteer as a leader?

Volunteers are critical to providing camps for our students and we are very grateful for your heart to share the love of Jesus with them!

Underground Leaders must be rising juniors or older to volunteer.

[CLICK HERE](#) for Underground volunteer registration.

Vertical Leaders must be at least TWO years removed from their high school graduation to volunteer.

[CLICK HERE](#) for Vertical volunteer registration.

Why can't my student take a phone?

We want this week to be a distraction-free week for students, and few things distract students as much as their phones. Over the years, we've found that taking students out of their regular routine opens them up to hear from Jesus in ways they haven't before.

What do I do if there is an emergency while my child is at camp?

There will be an emergency number for you to call and get in contact with your student. You will find out more about this at the parent/student meeting before camp.

Do I have to come to the parent meeting if I went last year?

Every year we make changes to our program so that each camp can improve upon the last. As a result, there are new details every year that you'll want to know.

Can my student select their roommates?

Your student can request up to TWO roommates. We do our best to accommodate roommate requests, but we cannot guarantee students will be in a room with the people they requested. Please remember that whatever roommates your student chooses, those roommates must also pick your student during registration to improve the chances of their placement together.

Will I know who my student's Cabin Leader will be?

Students will learn who their Cabin Leader and cabin roommates are when they arrive for camp check-in. We do this for two reasons:

1. We are often finalizing rooming assignments right up until we leave. (For example, if a student wakes up sick on departure day and can't make the trip, it could result in a change of rooming assignments.)
2. We don't want students to say no to Watermarks 2021 Summer Camp because they didn't get a particular Cabin Leader. We've seen so many great friendships start with: "We met when we were in the same room at summer camp!"

What are the sleeping arrangements?

Students will be staying in cabins or converted school buses at Watermarks camp. All sleeping areas are air-conditioned and gender-specific.

What will students eat throughout the week?

As we get closer to our departure date, Watermarks camp sends us a menu that we can share with you.

Will my students be walking around alone?

No. Students should never be alone. For every five students, there will be a volunteer cabin leader. This leader has been background checked and interviewed.

Is there a medical team around in case of an emergency?

Yes. PVC first aid teams travel with us to the camp.

Can I send my student with medicine?

On the morning of our departure, you will be required to check-in all medications. Medications must be placed in a plastic zip-lock bag along with a medication schedule form that Park Valley Church will provide. Our first aid team will be responsible for administering medications to the students. If your student is taking a controlled substance (such as an ADHD drug or prescription pain medication), they'll need to bring their medicine in the original bottle from the pharmacy. This allows our nurses to verify the prescription and the dose that your child is supposed to take. Please only send enough medication for the week. Students may keep prescribed inhalers and epi-pens in their backpacks for ready access if needed.

What are the dress requirements for my student?

The dress code, along with a packing list, will be provided at the parent/student meeting prior to camp.

How much money should I send with my student?

Meals and activities are included in the camp fee. The primary reason your student would need money is for snacks, souvenirs (t-shirts, water bottles, hats), extra paintball games (\$10 per game), or paintballs (\$10 for 500). Cash, card, or gift card payment accepted.

How do I find out more information?

We will host two opportunities to attend our mandatory Parent & Student Meeting to answer your questions. Details regarding the meeting will be sent closer to camp. In the meantime, please plan on attending one of the following evening meetings:

Tuesday, June 29 from 6-8pm

Wednesday, June 30 from 6-8pm

Still have questions?

Email lora@parkvalleychurch.com.