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Dear Youth Pastor/Leader,

We have an exciting new change to share with you regarding **Youth Camp 2018!** Minnesota Student Ministries, in conjunction with Minnesota Kids' Ministries, has decided to catch up with the times and...

...move to a fully online camp registration system!!!

We are so excited about this change! We believe that it will make the registration process easier for churches and individuals to register students and adult volunteers for camp. Parents and volunteers will simply follow a registration link, complete the online registration form, and then 1.) Pay online with a credit card, 2.) Mail payment in to the District Office, or 3.) Pay the church they are attending with so the church can pay the District for the entire group (option 3 only applies if you choose to set up a Youth Group Reservation – info on the back page).

Each church must decide if it would like to create a **"Youth Group Reservation" (YGR)** or not. A YGR will enable the church's youth pastor/leader to sign in to our online software system and check who is registered, approved, paid, etc. from their church. Through a YGR, churches will also have the option to receive regular email updates regarding their registrants payment/registration info. Finally, setting up a YGR guarantees that the campers from your church will be placed in the appropriate counseling/housing group. Please see the other side of this page for more information and for instructions on how to set up a Youth Group Reservation for your church.

YGRs will be most beneficial for groups of 10+.

Planning for Camp

Start promoting camp now! The link to register will open mid-April, but start recruiting campers, counselors, and staff now so you are prepared for camp this summer.

- If you decide to participate in a Youth Group Reservation, you will receive a group reservation code from Marissa. Think about how you will pass it out to parents & students so they are able to register with your group (some ideas include a registration postcard, business card, email, etc.).
- **All Youth Group Reservation information must be submitted by April 6**, so begin to gather this information as soon as possible (see back page for details on information you must submit for a YGR).
- A promo video and camp scholarship applications will be available on our website in April. www.msmstudent.com/camp (*Camp info packets will also be mailed out like usual in March*).
- The Lake Geneva Christian Center Partial Scholarship program will be on paper again this year. Please print out this form and pass it out to families in need at your church.
 1. The due date for scholarships is May 21. Scholarships are awarded on a first come, first serve basis so turn them in early! All LGCC Scholarships are \$50 per student.

If you need clarification or have any additional questions about online registration for this summer, please do not hesitate to contact Marissa at (612) 332-2400 / marissa@mnaog.org. We understand this may be a difficult transition for some and want to provide the best help we can for all of our churches, pastors, and families!

Thanks for all you do to make Youth Camp happen,

Kirby St. John

District Youth Director
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Youth Group Reservation (YGR) Info

To create a YGR, please email Marissa Thomas at marissa@mnaog.org, with the following information no later than **April 6**:

1.) Church/Contact Information

- Name of your Church
- City where your Church is located
- Contact Info for Camp Coordinator (Camp Coordinator=person setting up youth camp details or youth pastor)
 - First & last name
 - Email address
 - Phone number (specify if office or cell)
 - Preferred mode of contact

2.) Desired Week/s (Either [JR Teen 1 & SR Teen 1] OR [JR Teen 2 & SR Teen 2])

- **Junior Teen 1: July 9-13** (registration deadline is June 4)
- **Junior Teen 2: July 16-20** (registration deadline is June 11)
- **Senior Teen 1: July 23-27** (registration deadline is June 18)
- **Senior Teen 2: July 30 – August 3** (registration deadline is June 25)

3.) Estimated Summer Camp Numbers

(Please do not overestimate. If you need more spots...no problem! Simply contact Marissa & let her know ☺)

- Male Campers & Female Campers by week (separate numbers)
 - Example: "Junior Teen 1 – 20 male campers, 30 female campers"
- Male Counselors & Female Counselors by week (separate numbers)
- Adult Support Staff - night watch, head counselor, nurse, rec team, etc. (list by desired position)

4.) Desired Payment Option

- *A. Church Responsible for Payment+No Additional Fees: Church will collect registration payments from families and send a check to the District Office (similar to previous years, just without the registration form). Church will receive invoices & updates with the total owed and with a list of students who have signed up.
 - Pricing as follows:
 - Campers: \$233
 - Counselors & Staff: \$75
- *B. Church Responsible for Payment+Increase Price to Cover Fees: Same process as above, but the registration fee will be increased to reflect your additional expenses, such as transportation fees and counselor fees. Parents will only see your church's registration price and will pay you the total amount owed. You will send a check to the District Office to cover the registration price, but keep the amount you charged parents for additional fees.
 - Pricing as follows:
 - Campers: \$233 + YOUR DESIRED FEE (must communicate desired fee by April 6)
 - Counselors & Staff: \$75
- *C. Parents Responsible for Payment+Online Admin Fee: Parents will pay their registration fees directly to the District Office by mailing a check or by paying online with a credit card. If you charge additional fees you will be responsible to collect them separately from the online registration payment.
 - Pricing as follows:
 - Campers: \$240 (\$233 if parents choose to mail a check)
 - Counselors & Staff: \$78 (\$75 if they chooses to send a check)

*FOR ALL OPTIONS: Payments MUST be postmarked by the correlating registration deadlines listed above to avoid late fees!

NOTE FOR ALL PASTORS & PARENTS: Registrations are not considered complete until all payments are received and all parental/liability releases are signed.

Please call/email Marissa with questions regarding online camp registration. E: marissa@mnaog.org P: (612) 332-2400