

# REACH Summer Camp Handbook 2025

# 1. Summer Camp Mission

Our mission is to share the love of Christ and create a safe, positive environment for children to spend a portion of the summer being equipped in the Word of God and have opportunity to explore the creative arts and team building in P.E.

# 2. Summer Camp Schedule at a Glance:

WEEK 1: JUNE 4-6 WEEK 2: JUNE 11-13 WEEK 3: JUNE 18-20

Break Weeks: June 25-27 and July 2-4

WEEK 4: JULY 9-11 WEEK 5: JULY 16-18 WEEK 6: JULY 23-25

#### **CENTER ROTATION:**

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Art

**STEM** 

**Bible** 

Self Defense

Dance

Special Interest Clubs

#### **WEEKLY CAMP SCHEDULE:**

8:30-8:45 Morning Carline

8:45-9:20 Chapel

9:25-10:05 1st Center

10:10-10:50 2nd Center

10:55-11:35 3rd Center

11:40-12:25 Lunch/4th Center 12:30-1:15 Lunch/4tth Center

1:20-1:50 Team Building Activities

1:50-2:10 Car Line

## 3. Important contacts

**Office Number:** (985) 778-2065

Camp Director: Jessie Weidner jessie.weidner@reachcommunity.net Assistant Director: Abigail Weidner abigailweidner@icloud.com Assistant Director: James Weidner: jweidner4@icloud.com Camp Registrar: Rachel Alvarez admin@reachcommunity.net

# 4. Character Development

- Daily chapel and the Bible center will use a Biblical bases for teaching character and leadership and help each student develop the character traits laid out in the scriptures.
- Character development will be integrated into the facilitation of each aspect of the Summer Camp Day.
- The student led chapel time and camp activities will emphasize <u>Servant Leadership</u>, <u>Respect</u> for those who are presenting, <u>Responsibility</u> for students to manage their work and come prepared to share and present, <u>Perseverance</u> to develop new skills and overcome insecurities, and how to be <u>Caring</u> in group work and supporting peers with project development.
- Other character traits that we emphasize throughout the summer are: Gratitude, Forgiveness, Love, and Honesty.

# 5. Membership Guidelines

### 5.1 Payments

Seat Security payments are paid in order to secure seats in the program. Seat Security payment applies to the first month's program fees (June).

Membership fee should be payed monthly.

Monthly membership fee should be paid no later than the 15th of every month.

<u>Delinquent Payments:</u> Accounts that have a delinquent balance will be placed on the waitlist until the balance amount is paid in full. If you are in financial hardship please call or email to share your situation with administration (<u>admin@reachcommunity.net</u>) or <u>accounting@reachcommunity.net</u>) to discuss possible options.

### 5.2 Parent Responsibilities

Students should be provided with his or her own cold lunch (microwaves are not available) and project materials.

### 5.5 Arrival/ Dismissal / Absence

#### **Arrival Time:**

Wednesdays - Fridays Arrival time is between 8:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m.

#### Carline:

Please enter the carline when picking up and dropping off your child. You will immediately turn right when you enter the parking lot and circle around to the left. Pick up is in front of our fence gate. Please wait in your car. A team member will escort your child out of the car and walk them to the building. Please do not allow your child to get out of car unattended.

#### Alternative authorized persons picking up your child:

Children may only ride home with families other than their own when written permission (note or email) is given by that child's parent or guardian in advance. Email jessie.weidner@reachcommunity.net to communicate a change in transportation for your child.

#### Safety during program hours:

Only authorized team and volunteers will be allowed in the building during Summer Camp hours, unless accompanied by a team member.

#### Wednesday - Friday Late Arrival is after 8:45am

All doors will be locked at 9:00 am for safety reasons.

If you child arrives after 9:00 am, please remain in your car and call the number list below. A Team member will come and escort your child to their respective classroom. Please do not drop off your child or try to walk him or her in for safety reasons.

#### Wed. - Friday Phone Numbers for Late drop off and Early arrival:

If your child arrives in the middle of the summer camp day please follow the Late Arrival Procedure: You can call (985) 778-2065

If you are picking up your child before 2:00 p.m. please remain in your car and call this number (985) 778-2065 and we will escort your child to your car.

**Late Pick Up-** We do not offer after-care or care for children waiting for lessons. Please be prompt and arrive no later than 2:10pm to pick up your child, if for whatever reason you are unable to arrive by 2:00pm please give our office a call: 985-778-2065.

#### Children waiting for Lessons after 2 p.m dismissal

We do not offering childcare for students waiting for lessons after the 2:00pm dismissal time. If your child is 10 or older you can authorize them to wait in the cafe for his or her lesson but they will not be supervised. We will need written authorization. See attached form. If your child is under the age of 10 you will need to be present while they wait or they can be picked up at 2:00pm and dropped off for their lesson time. You will need to contact their music teacher for drop off.

**Absence-** If your child will be absent, please notify us by calling our office or emailing <u>jessie.weidner@reachcommunity.net</u>

#### 5.6 Wellness

Children showing the following signs of sickness should stay home. We will notify you to pick up your child should they show any of these signs of sickness while at Summer Camp:

Fever (must be free of fever for a minimum of 24 hours before returning)

Vomiting or Diarrhea (even associated with teething and medication)

A diagnosis of croup or any barking cough

Any unexplained rash, ringworm, hives, etc

Cloudy or green, runny nose or persistent cough

Pinkeye or other infections (all eye infections are contagious). The child must be on medication for 24 hours and not exhibiting any symptoms before returning.

Any symptoms of childhood diseases, such as scarlet fever, German measles, mumps, chicken pox, strep throat, flu or other infectious/contagious disease, Complaints of sore throat

### 5.7 Technology

The use of cellphones, tablets and other devices may not be used recreationally during lunch, recess, or any other time during the Summer Camp day and during dismissal time. Campers will be instructed to put cellphones, tables or other devices away the first time. After that technology devices will be confiscated until the end of the day or returned to the parent at carline pickup

#### 5.8 Dress Code

Students and team will be expected to dress with respect and honor toward his or herself and others.

- 1. Please wear shorts under dresses and skirts.
- 2. If a student is wearing excessively tight shorts or pants, please wear a shirt covering the backside.
- 3. Shirts should cover the midriff at all times and adequately cover the waistline. Please no crop tops.
- 4. Shorts length should have a minimum of a 5 in. inseam.
- 5. Shoes should be closed-toe shoes too ensure the safety of each student during physical activity.

### 5.9 Discipline

- 1. Safety is our number one priority. If a child is a safety hazard to his or her self, to other students or our team we will contact the parent immediately. The child will be asked to be picked up as soon as possible.
- 2. Children should: remain in the care of a team member at all times. Remain on the premises until picked up by a parent, keep his or her hands and feet to his or herself and refrain from using vulgar, obscene and abusive language.
- 3. The administration reserves the right to close the registration of students who are unable to repeatedly abide by the safety protocols and rules set in place to maintain a safe environment