



DRAMATIC ARTS CAMP

Spiritual Outcomes

Our goal:

For All Ages - The gospel of Jesus Christ will be presented with an opportunity for individuals to make a decision to become disciples of Jesus Christ.

For Elementary - Focuses on students understanding God's love for them. Discovering Christ's promises. Offering opportunities to explore examples of Christian character.

For Middle School - Focuses on each student taking ownership of his/her faith by understanding what Christ did and how it will impact his/her life.

For Senior High - Focuses on the reality of local and global needs. Encourages students to look outside of themselves to have outward expressions of faith.

Theme & Worship

This year's theme for the week is "Seek the Kingdom". "Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need." (Matthew 6:33)

Each day, campers will explore the book of Matthew:

Mon. - The Kingdom of Responsibility (Matthew 25:14-30)

Tues. - The Kingdom of the Heart (Matthew 13:1-23)

Wed. - The Kingdom of Forgiveness and Mercy (Matthew 18:23-25)

Thurs. - The Kingdom for All (Matthew 22:2-14)

Fri. - The Kingdom that is Coming (Matthew 25:1-13)

Morning Bible study happens every day in various outdoor spaces throughout the camp.

Evening Vespers are held outdoors at Oak Tree Shrine. 94 years of evening vespers have been held in this holy spot. A message from the pastor, music and prayer end each day.

Activities & Recreation

Campers have many creative outlets during their week of camp. Set design, sound and lighting, acting, photography, videography and more. Great recreation is available for all, using our challenge by choice philosophy to help them discover not only adventure, but something about themselves.

Talent Night - This is the night for campers to shine. Bring your musical instruments, sheet music, props, dance shoes and talents.

Oscar Night - Walk the red carpet, paparazzi, fancy decorations, photo booths and awards are a part of this big night! Formal wear is provided or bring your own!

Theme Nights - Dramatic Arts Camp is well known for their outrageous theme nights. This year's theme is "Rodeo Night"! Bring props, outfits and ideas to make this night great! We will have some of this available at camp too!

End of Week Performance - Friday night's performance is open to all family members and friends. This closing night is a wonderful way to showcase campers' skills and talents.

Swimming - The swimming pool is divided into three sections, designed for all levels of experienced and inexperienced swimmers. The level of experience will be determined during swim tests on the first night of camp.

Climbing Wall & Zip Line - A 35 ft. vertical, outdoor climbing wall will challenge campers to trust, overcome fears and to be encouragers for their camp friends. Participants fly down our zip line while being encouraged and cheered on by their friends and counselors.

Teambuilding - Participants will be led through a series of activities to build trust, communication and teamwork amongst their team.

What is unique about Dramatic Arts Camp?

Dramatic Arts Camp is a 6 day, 5 night experience for 5th graders - graduating seniors. What makes our Impact Camp special is that the focus remains on Christ. Campers have the opportunity to use their gifts and talents during a week in which community is created and a sense of family and belonging is experienced. Through sound Biblical teaching, discussion in small groups, and heart-felt worship, students have the opportunity to learn how to pursue a Christ-centered life.

Daily Schedule Sample

7:00a	Arise
8:00a	Breakfast
9:00a	Bible Study Groups
10:45a	Workshops
Noon	Lunch, Singing & More
1:00p	Workshops
2:00p	Activity Rotations & Pool
4:00p	Quiet Time
5:00p	Dinner
6:00p	Activities/Workshops
8:00p	Evening Vespers
9:00p	Cabin Devotions/Showers
10:00p	Lights Out

Cabin Life

Cabins

Whitefield and Wesley Lodges and our Cedar Cabins are used for Dramatic Arts Camps. The lodges and cabins are all air-conditioned and have bathroom facilities located inside the building or right next to them. Whitefield Lodge has 2 dormitory style bedrooms, each bedroom sleeps 20 campers in bunk beds. There is a bathroom located in each room. Wesley Lodge also has 2 dormitory style rooms, each room sleeps 16 people in bunk beds. There is a bathroom located in each room. Our cedar cabins located near the pool are the newest lodging at Rivervale. These cabins use the newly renovated pool bathhouse for their needs. Three of the cabins sleep 10, with bunkbeds. The two newest cabins each sleep 16 with bunk beds.

Campers are divided up by gender and year in school. Minimum counselor to camper ratios are two counselors for every 14 campers for elementary (3rd-5th grades), 2 counselors for every 16 middle school campers (6th-8th grades) and 2 counselors for every 20 high school campers (9th grade - graduated seniors) . There are also camp parents, camp medics, and camp staff involved with caring for the campers.

Dramatic Arts Campers have cabin groups and activity groups. Campers are free to choose which activity group they wish to participate in.

Bring A Friend Or Come With A Church

Camp is a great place to solidify relationships within a student's faith community. Invite a friend to join or come with your church to create maximum impact in helping to find stability and foundation in your child's relationship with Christ.