



In response to the COVID-19 crisis and as good stewards of health and finances, Impact 2818 will transition our summer programs to a condensed schedule, consolidated to three sites, beginning on June 28.

Church Camp; Summer 2020

As this crisis began to unfold, we began preparing multiple scenarios, contingency plans, expense cuts, and pursuing resources for safe operations in the midst of responding to COVID-19.

On April 28, using the information available to us through partners and agencies while constantly pursuing safety throughout the months ahead, our leadership team has come to the following plan:

#1 Safety Is Our First Priority - Camp programs will only operate if we can ensure the safety of our campers, volunteers, and staff.

#2 Summer Camp Start Date Moved to June 28 - In order to provide the best chance of summer camps happening, we will reschedule our events to only operate in July/August.

#3 Consolidated Program Schedules to 3 Sites - To better steward resources, effectively plan, and strategically respond to changing safety guidance, we are consolidating our programs to operate: middle school and high school at Epworth Forest Conference Center, Elementary at Camp Lakewood, and Early Elementary through High School at Camp Rivervale.

- To provide continuity and continue quality programs, volunteer directors and counseling teams are invited to migrate to their temporary site for this summer.
- Event Schedules and Daily schedules will be modified to accommodate student safety and separation of students by age groups if on site simultaneously.
- Our camps for at-risk-populations will be rescheduled for a date much further out; possibly fall or next year.
- 2020 Summer Schedule will be available online, Monday, May 5.



the plan for summer camps...

#4 Registration, Transfers, & Cancellations - Effective immediately, our registration process has been suspended until May 12. During this time, our staff are helping churches navigate the new schedule and identifying newly coordinated volunteer leadership teams with our church partners.

On May 12:

- Do nothing if your event is not affected by changing schedules; attend as planned.
- You may transfer your camper's registration to any event with no transfer fee.
- You may begin registering for events on the new camp schedule.
- You may request a cancellation with zero penalty (see next bullet) or you can choose to convert any portion of your fees into a tax deductible donation to support the camping ministry during this financially strenuous year.
- The 100% money back, [Seven Day Cancellation Policy](#) and Early Bird Discount Pricing will remain in effect for all 2020 summer camp events programmed by Impact 2818.

#5 Scholarship Assistance - We know that this is a trying time for many families and we continue to believe that youth and children should never miss out on a camp experience due to financial circumstances. [\[Apply for financial aid...\]](#)

Lastly, **partners will be needed now more than ever.** Children and teens are at home, technology fatigued, emotionally and physically exhausted from quarantine, and starving for meaningful and essential community experiences. Camp can be a truly valuable resource for the local church when the clearance to proceed is given.

- Camp counselor commitments and site volunteers are needed immediately in order to operate this summer. [\[Serve at camp...\]](#)
- If you are able, this ministry will require significant donors and partners in 2020 to continue the next stage of a century-long legacy. At this moment, General Operational gifts are needed most. [\[Make a gift...\]](#)

God does some of His best work in the dark, before the dawn. We are excited for what is yet to come in 2020; our team is full of hope. Thank you for your patience in this process.

Blessings, peace, and health,

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