

Parent Meeting Notes

November 10, 6:00pm

Where are they going and why?

Site information

- Manchester, KY
- July 6-13

LeaderTreks

- LeaderTreks makes a difference in students' lives by using mission trips as a classroom
- Founded in 1994
- Partner with Youth Directors (like me!) who have a passion for developing the next generation into leaders

Leadership development

- Helps students identify and develop personal skills

Spiritual Growth

- 45 minutes daily set aside for solitary, personal time with God
- Students are provided with a devotional book for the week
- Learn different study methods as they look at Scripture

Safety

- Impeccable track record
- All staff are fully trained in First Aid and CPR
- Hospitals are always located by staff

Emergency Contact Info:

Call: FIRST – First Presbyterian: 828-754-5351

SECOND – LeaderTreks Office: 877-502-0699

- The LeaderTreks staff and myself will decide the course of action

What does my student need?

Packing List – see attached

Cost - \$500 per student

- The goal is for this sum to be reached through fundraisers and has been 100% successful for the last two years

Deposit - \$150 due with paperwork

Fundraising

- Rent-a-Student jobs throughout the year
- Car Wash in the Spring
- Youth can write personal letters to friends/family outside of FPC to raise funds that go directly the student's balance

What can I expect to see happen in my child's life?

Spiritual Growth

- Daily devotions as described above
- Nightly "Team Time" to reflect as a group on what God is teaching us daily
- Prayer Journal is provided

Leadership Development

- Combination of leadership principle and opportunities for experience
- Daily opportunities to lead their peers and make decisions in an aspect of the trip
 - o Kitchen, VBS, Worksite, etc.

Top Eight Questions Parents ask

(and the answers)

Will the place they are staying be safe?

Yes, LeaderTreks chooses all of their sites with your student's safety in mind. All sites have been tested over the years and proven to be very safe.

Where is the nearest hospital?

LeaderTreks staff are first aid trained and ready to handle medical situations. Hospitals are located near the site and are easily accessible. (Actual distance varies by site.)

Who do I call if I have an emergency and need to contact my student?

If you need to contact your student, first call the church/school office and then call LeaderTreks (877)502-0699. LeaderTreks and the church will contact the team. The church staff will then get back in touch with you and can communicate your needs to your student.

Will I be able to hear from my student while they are on the trip?

It is so easy for us to get distracted when we are doing Kingdom work so we ask that students don't bring cell phones or other forms of communication that can distract from the mission at hand. Check with your church staff to see if other forms of communication are available.

What is LeaderTreks?

LeaderTreks is a leadership development ministry that sees the need for development of students. They use mission trips, leadership training, and innovative curriculum to aid churches in the development of their student leaders.

Why LeaderTreks?

LeaderTreks focuses on your student's development and will push them to the point of spiritual and physical growth. LeaderTreks has ministry partners that have a real impact on their communities. When we partner with LeaderTreks we know that our work truly benefits the Kingdom.

What does my student need for the trip?

Your student needs to come with an attitude of service and teachability, as well as a heart for spiritual growth. Refer to the packing list to find out what specific articles are necessary for the trip. Many students choose to bring money on the trip, they will need enough money for all of their travel meals and one meal out on the trip (This money is already included in what we are raising).

What will my student's schedule be like on the trip?

7:30 - Breakfast

8:00 - Devotions

8:50 - Leave for work site

9:00 - Work begins

12:00 - Lunch

1:00 - Work

5:30 - Dinner

7:00 - Team activity

8:00 - Team Time