

Greetings Trip Leaders,

We're thrilled that camping season is nearly upon us. We are writing with news about exciting improvements to LHR, as well as operational updates in light of our mission-wide volunteer shortage. **Please read for changes affecting our camps this summer.** Thank you in advance for your support.

Many improvements at LHR have been implemented or are on their way as part of LHR NOW! This includes shade throughout camp, full-court basketball, archery tag amenities, snack bar redesign with the addition of an ice cream machine, craft area – in the shade, waterfront additions, oversized games throughout camp, expanded upper dining hall space, sound, and AV improvements and <a href="coming mid-summer">coming mid-summer</a> double zip line and waterslide! This is a huge thank you to YL Development, the LHR ECC, generous donors, and the LHR staff!

As you're aware, the mission is experiencing volunteer shortages. We want to continue to offer kids the best week of their lives. With that in mind, we are using the same guiding principles across all our camps in the South Central Division. Click HERE to see all of our Guiding Principles.

While our volunteer numbers are in better shape than many, this does mean the following at our camps:

- We have decided that SCD camps will not provide bed linens and towels during summer 2023. This is, of course, with the exception of Young Lives and any trips with socio-economic needs. Please notify your trip's Camp Admin Manager of the need. This does <u>not</u> include Trail West.
- We have decided the bike program will not operate at CCR this summer.
- LoneHollow Ranch is in <u>critical need</u> of Work Crew and Summer Staff in order to operate fully. Note that at present, the operation of rides and free time activities are in jeopardy.
- There will be camp and session-specific adjustments that Camp Manager and Camp Director will partner to prioritize.

Additionally, we have short-term volunteer opportunities at Trail West this summer. Grab a campaigner group and come help. Groups can come for a week at a time or multiple weeks. Click <u>HERE</u> for more information and to get in contact with Trail West!

Please keep praying for WC and SS and that the Lord would provide the volunteers He has determined to be at camp this summer. Click <u>HERE</u> to see the volunteer needs at all of our camps and the <u>session dates</u> to serve. Below are the actual needs:

- LHR Session 1: 13 Volunteers
- LHR Session 2: 29 Volunteers
- Trail West Session 1: 16 Volunteers
- Trail West Session 2: 2 Volunteers
- Trail West Session 3: 37 Volunteers
- Wilderness Ranch Session 1: 4 Volunteers
- Wilderness Ranch Session 2: 5 Volunteers
- **CCR Session 1:** 6 Volunteers
- CCR Session 2: 2 Volunteers
- CCR Session 3: 10 Volunteers

Thank you again for your partnership in this holy work,

Alison McCauley & Lindsey Patchell

This email is being sent on behalf of Alison McCauley (SCD Camping Coordinator) and Lindsey Patchell (SCD Senior Vice President) to all SCD Regional Directors, SCD Regional Admins, SCD Coordinators, SCD Summer 2023 Camp Directors, SCD Camp Managers, SCD Camp Admin Managers.

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