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# ROUND LAKE

7 - 9 MEGA CAMP  
July 21 - July 26

We want to thank you for sending your student to camp! It is a privilege to spend a week with these middle schoolers. We are so excited to have camp this summer. Our student ministers have been praying over this week and expecting God to do great things. We want to pray that God will move in the week and equip us to love others as He has loved us. We'll see you July 21!

- Jordan Tuttle

## What to know about Sunday

This is one of Round Lake's bigger camps, so we want to make sure you know all the information for Sunday evening. Check in begins at **5:30 pm, July 21 on CAMP SIDE at the retreat center**. Arriving earlier than necessary will cause more stress than benefit. Dorms and bunks will only be made available after checking in. **Bunks do not determine who you spend the week with, though we will do our best to make sure everyone has someone.** Dorm assignments do not factor into activity groups or youth group times.

During check in, **students must drop off any medication with the nurse**. This is located a few steps from the check-in tables. Students are not to have or regulate their own medication during the week.

Pizza will be available to students once the registration process is done. We want to discourage parents from "lingering" on check-in day; the campus can become crowded with unnecessary foot traffic and truly, the fun begins once the students are independent.

## What to know about Friday

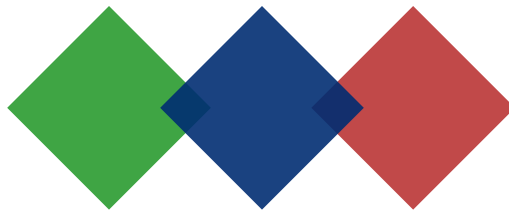
Pickup occurs after baptisms. **Baptisms are at 2:00 pm, and checkout is at 2:30pm, July 26**. We encourage families to arrive between 1:30 and 2:00 on Friday; this is a great window that prevents stepping in on the last moments of camp while still being able to celebrate the joy of the baptisms. Check out is not available before baptisms; this is the finale of camp, and it is a great experience for students.

When checking out, guardians must present the tag that corresponds with his or her student's wristband. These are received on Sunday at check-in. This makes check-out a smooth and painless process. Taking a picture of the tag is helpful should the tag become lost.

## What to know about the week

**TEACHING** The theme of the summer is "**ANCHORED**" as you have probably seen in Round Lake's communication. This week in particular, we are going to be walking through John 15 teaching about what it means to Abide in Jesus. From understanding that we can do nothing without him to obeying his commands, our prayer is that students leave knowing their identity is in Jesus, they belong with the body of Christ, and they have deep purpose as they follow Jesus.

**MISSION** The missionary for the week is **Dionna Linn**. Dionna has been serving as a missionary in Granada, Spain since May of 2018, working with a team of church planting missionaries. Their team's vision is to see a Disciple-Making Movement and Church Planting Movement sweep across the nation of Spain. Dionna will be speaking with our students every morning talking about what it means to Abide in Jesus using real stories from her ministry in Spain. Our offering will go to support a video ministry that has been growing rapidly in Spain.



## What to know about packing

- BIBLE** We encourage students to bring a Bible, pen, and notebook.
- CLOTHING** *Dress casually and comfortably. Expect some clothes to only get you through half of the day in the humidity of July. There is no need for any formal clothing. Durable tennis shoes are highly recommended. For details on camp rules about dress code, including swimwear, please refer to the camp website: [roundlake.org](http://roundlake.org)*
- HYGIENE** *Most days will be hot and students will stay active, so wear deodorant and anticipate showering. Students will need to anticipate brushing their teeth. Don't forget the basic toiletries. They will be in a dorm for the week: be a good neighbor and stay clean.*
- MONEY** *There are two main reasons to have money at camp. The first is the mission. Earlier it was mentioned that there will be ways to participate in giving to Dionna Linn. The other reason is the camp store which is open during free rec. This store sells clothing as well as ice cream, soda, and candy. It might be helpful for to discuss with your student how they are going to spend the money they are bringing to camp in advance.*

## Mail

Getting mail is always encouraging to campers. Getting candy is always great in the middle of the week. We want to communicate that mail time is not a huge part of our week. In fact, mail just gets passed out, and we move on to the next thing. In the past, some students have received mail from parents expecting a goofiness to ensue, but it never does. We are not discouraging mail whatsoever, but we wanted to explain a bit of our week's pacing and scheduling in case you were intending to send a student a lot of mail each day.

## Cell Phones

**Cell phones are NOT permitted at this week of camp.** This is a rule that benefits from explanation. Phones are often momentary distractions that take away from months of planning and opportunities for students to engage in community. Here are reasons we do not allow cell phones:

- Phone cameras are a legal liability in the dorms and restrooms.
- Phones tend to lead to problems that aren't able to be caught until it's too late.
- Camp allows us to get away from "normal," but phones pull us back in.

If your student needs to call home in case of emergency, they will be doing so through a leader phone. If a student is found with a phone, we ask that they give it to the leader in their room who will store it in a safe place to be retrieved at the end of camp.

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Frequently asked questions such as what to pack can be found on Round Lake's website: If you have any questions, the camp can be reached through their website [RoundLake.org](http://RoundLake.org). My email is [j.tuttle@heath.church](mailto:j.tuttle@heath.church).