Simpson County Youth Camp 2024 Staff Meeting

Date/Time: Saturday, February 3, 2024 @ 10:30 a.m. @ Taylor Christian Camp Lodge

Purpose: Overview of 2023 and Outlook for 2024

Invitees: Potential 2024 SCYC Staff

Agenda:

Review of SCYC 2023

- o Lots of positive from all the churches attending together all meshed well.
- o Positive on the spiritual side with 18 baptisms / 1 restoration
- SCYC Capacity FULL
 - 90 Boys / 83 Girls (w/ 2 beds empty on girls / 1 bed empty on boys)
 - We did have 5 beds overflow downstairs open.
 - 62 Staff (counselors/kitchen staff/teachers) & 15-20 (parttime/volunteers)
- Positives and Negatives
 - Swim time at the creek looking into possible Jr/Sr High swim times.
 - Also all counselors will be assigned a time at the creek for more eyes.
 - Question raised about "down time."
 - The SCYC leadership team thinks the schedule is packed with plenty of activities / some didn't like the rest time in afternoon / some changes will be made to schedule to accommodate for a few minutes here and there to allow for time around meals and not interfering with class time and other activities.
 - Mealtimes especially at lunch and dinner.
 - Possibly a staggered schedule or other ways to go through the line quicker are being thought about and investigated.
 - Some awards will only be awarded by certain people.
 - Mainly the Bible student award will be chosen by teachers only.
 - Lodge Duties
 - We will have a Lodge "Sheriff(s)" for 2024
 - They will oversee making sure whomever is assigned Lodge Duty for the day is taking out the trash, making sure everything is clean (tables, floors swept, etc.)
 - Paint/Powder & Water Balloon Wars
 - A better system will be implemented in 2024 and kids will be divided up by ages for fun and safety reasons.
 - Paint will be replaced by a new colorful powder.
 - Medicines for 2024
 - The camp nurses have requested that all medications brought to camp MUST BE in the prescribed containers and not in "pill boxes".

OPEN COMMENTS FROM STAFF

- What can be improved for 2024? (Open to any suggestions or comments.)
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Outlook for 2024

- o 2024 Theme *Unashamed*
 - Scripture Reference 1 Corinthians 1:27
 - Fun side Duck Dynasty Theme
 - Bring your camouflage.
 - Be thinking of fun skits for the week.
 - Plans to have some guests to help with week and make it fun.
- 2024 Application Process
 - Online registration may be available.
 - Online payments may also be available.
 - Hard copy forms will also be made available.
- o Camper breakdown for 2024
 - Pre Campers Preschool-2nd Grade
 - Jr. Campers 3rd-6th Grade
 - Sr. Campers 7th Grade and Up
- o Review of Educational Materials
 - Eli Hurt
- o 2024 Staff (counselors, helpers, security, etc.)
 - We must replace a few people that are unable to attend this year.
 - We need a minimum of 50 adults so the 60 we had last year was a good number.
- o 2024 Campers
 - Registration is available on a first-come, first-served basis.
 - Scholarships are also available if needed.
 - We will try NOT to turn any kids away from church camp.
- Camper Behavior Contract
 - All kids and parents signed this, and we didn't have any pushback from it.
 - We had a couple of minor incidents last year but with only one major issue that was handled.
 - Any other problems that I was not told about??

• Review of Changes at Taylor Christian Camp

- o Steve McCarley CREW Board Director (Treasurer) & TCC Cleanup Crew
- Other comments or suggestions

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CLOSE OUT THE MEETING:

- Be sure to follow the FACEBOOK Page links will be provided to our link to SCYC that is on our church website.
- Lunch is ready for you or after you tour the campus.
- Next Meeting
 - Will be scheduled ASAP.
 - o It will be sometime in late May or possibly June 8th.
 - o Our final meeting will be at the Lodge on Sunday, June 16, 2024, at 3:30 p.m.!!!
- Only 134 days left before SCYC 2024 begins!!