

Dear Parent(s),

Middle School Camp is an incredible week every year as hundreds of middle school students, guided by scores of incredible counselors, lean in to experience God and have an incredible time along the way! We are thrilled that your student will be joining us for this truly life-changing week of Middle School Camp, June 15-20!

To help you and your student get ready, we've included some details and information that will help you to prepare:

- **Devices:** no cell phones, electronics or cellular devices (Apple Watch, etc.) are to be brought to camp or used on the bus. If a device is discovered, we will safely store it and return it when camp is over. It is our desire for your student to unplug and be fully engaged in all that God has for them at camp through friendships, messages, nature, worship and outdoor activities. If there is an emergency, parents can contact the camp at 231.734.2616.
- Please [fill out this waiver](#) as it is required for all our students attending Camp.
- Bussing is included in the cost of camp! If you do not require bussing, please contact us at students@grangerchurch.com for camp drop off/pick up details.
- Proper provision is made for health, sanitation, nutrition and overall well being during Camp. To assist us in this process, you have already been asked to fill out a medical release, insurance information and a list of medications with instructions as you registered your student for camp. Any changes to your child's health or medications between registration and check-in for camp will be documented the day of check-in. There will be a team of medical professionals on hand at SpringHill to take care of any first aid and medication needs. In case of a medical concern you will be notified immediately.
- If you would like to "send" mail or packages to your student, you will need to (actually) drop that mail off at Registration on Monday morning of Camp, with your student's name on it and the day for delivery. If you'd prefer to send them an email, you can do that by emailing studentscamp@grangerchurch.com and place your student's name in the Subject. The deadline for emailing is Friday, June 19 at noon.
- To save any embarrassment during the week for your student, you will want to notify us (students@grangerchurch.com) in advance about any special problems such as sleep walking, bed-wetting, etc. that you did not list on their registration.
- If for any reason you need to pick up your camper early from Camp, whether planned in advance or last minute, please email students@grangerchurch.com to ensure we can have your camper ready and to expedite the checkout process. A signature and photo ID are required.
- We have included a Recommended Packing List with this letter. We also recommend labeling all belongings.
- We'll be doing a Parent Rally to share some things we think might help you to engage your student in conversation once camp is done. The Parent Rally will happen in the Auditorium at the Granger Campus on Saturday at 12:45 p.m.

Student drop off on Monday morning begins at 6 a.m. at the Granger Campus with the bus leaving at 6:30 a.m. If your camper misses the bus, you will be responsible for getting your student to Camp. The bus will then return to the Granger Campus on Saturday at approximately 1:30 p.m. and lunch will be provided.

Sincerely,



John Keim
Pastor of Family and Missions



Reed Sapp
Pastor of Students and Young Adults

Middle School Camp at SpringHill

Recommended Packing List

- Water bottle and backpack are absolute necessities. SpringHill is a large camp. Students will be out and about doing activities for hours, and so it is convenient to bring along several items with them at a time such as a Bible/notebook/swimming clothes. A water bottle is also critical. Students can fill up anytime at the dining hall and then have plenty of water for the day while they're out having a great time at the different activities.
- One or two pairs of jeans (pants are mandatory for paintball)
- Comfortable shirts
- Shorts
- Clothes for paintballing (older clothes that you don't mind getting dirty and that you can layer to help soften the impact)
- Dressier clothes for Wednesday and Thursday evening
- Towel and swimsuit (girls: one piece or modest tankini)
- Durable clothing
- Extra pair of tennis shoes (closed-toe shoes are required for several activities)
- Light jacket or warm sweatshirts (it is often still chilly in Northern Michigan)
- Bedding (a warm sleeping bag and pillow) for their bunk
- Towels, washcloths and toiletries
- Bible, journal and pen
- Flashlight
- Bug spray
- Sunscreen and Chapstick
- Earplugs (in case of any snoring in the cabin or loud worship in the auditorium)
- Remember to label your belongings

There are always a few things campers want to bring along that aren't necessary or allowed during our week at Camp. Listed below is our **"leave at home"** list:

- Pocket knives
- Inappropriate clothing
- Food or candy
- Electronics:
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