



June 2023

## **SummerExcitement**

Dear Summer Excitement Student,

Congratulations - you are officially registered for SE 2023! Start preparing for one of the greatest weeks of your life. There is so much to get ready for, so expect to be contacted by a SE team leader (your small group leader for the week) before Summer Excitement. Here are some things you should know about that week.

### **WHO WE ARE**

Summer Excitement is a discipleship experience designed to connect students to Christ as well as to other Christians pursuing a deep relationship with Christ. **We exist to help you do three things:**

1. Become a Christian **leader** in your home community
2. Learn to be a **disciple** of Christ
3. **Have fun** with other believers!

The week of June 18<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> will be one of the most exciting and spiritually challenging weeks of your life. We are so excited that you will be joining us!

### **ARRIVAL TIME:**

**Registration is from 5:30pm to 6:30pm in front of LCU's Katie Rogers Dorm.** LCU is located at 5601 19<sup>th</sup> Street, and Katie Rogers is located on the east side of campus just off Dover Avenue. If you need detailed directions, please don't hesitate to contact me directly. Food will be provided for students and parents in the Student Union Building (SUB) between 5:30pm and 7:00pm, followed by our opening session in the Baker Conference Center at 7:00pm. Parents are welcome to stay for the first session, which will go to about 7:45pm.

### **DEPARTURE TIME:**

**Summer Excitement 2023 ends Friday, June 23rd at noon in the Baker Conference Center.** Parents are welcome to join us for the closing session beginning at 11:00am. Here are some things to keep in mind regarding Departure Day:

- Lunch will NOT be provided on campus on Friday, June 23rd.
- Students must make their own arrangements for leaving campus. Our staff can help with transportation needs to the airport, provided we have all the pertinent information well in advance (see note on last page).

### **4 KEY SUMMER EXCITEMENT RULES:**

- 1 - Students may not leave campus for any reason** unless by the direction of Kyle Bullock, Summer Excitement Director.
- 2 - Students must attend all camp activities.** Our schedule is loaded, so get plenty of rest before arriving!
- 3 - Love God and love each other.** Show respect to all SE and LCU staff, guests, and other SE students. And moreover, we will show respect to LCU by leaving their campus better than we found it.

**4 - Respect the privacy of the opposite gender in Katie Rogers Dorm.** No males in the female wing, and no females in the male wing. There are no exceptions to this rule. Students found breaking this rule will be sent home immediately at their own expense.

All other behaviors are expected to be guided by the Spirit of Christ, as modeled by Team Leaders & staff. Their example will be followed by YOU as responsible, sensible young adults. We do not anticipate problems with these rules, but if we do have problems with them, we reserve the right to send any student home at the expense of his/her parents.

#### **CELL PHONES:**

Cell phones are allowed in all Summer Excitement activities, provided they are used appropriately, as a resource for spiritual development. In the event they become a distraction to the student or his/her peers and family, they will be taken up by Summer Excitement staff.

#### **TEACHING:**

Most teaching sessions will be conducted by our Deans (teachers), which includes Ricky Lewis (Senior Dean), Nathan Keller, Adrian Morgan, Brook Reinoehl, Doyle Corder, Kirk Cowell, Erika Brown, Jonathan Gomez, Amy Shelburne, and David Langford. Our staff is passionate about youth and are seasoned in teaching and classroom management. **THEY ARE FANTASTIC!** On special occasions we may look outside our teaching staff for gifted speakers to address our students.

#### **SPORTS:**

Our sports program is under the leadership of Summer Excitement veteran leader, Trent Langford. After teaching sessions in the mornings, he will be directing exciting sports events each afternoon. During all sports events, students are allowed to wear gym shorts as long as modesty is maintained. Please do not wear white shirts or shorts during the sports events because you **will** get wet.

#### **WILD-N-CRAZY GAMES:**

Graig Keeton will lead Wild-n-Crazy games. Be prepared to get wild and crazy! This will take place immediately following sports and is every bit as physically active as sports. Students should wear clothes they do not mind getting dirty (mud, watermelon, grass stains, etc.). It would be wise to put these dirty (and gross) clothes in a separate laundry bag from the rest of the dirty clothes accumulated throughout the week (but let them air-dry first).

#### **WORSHIP:**

One of the most incredible experiences at Summer Excitement is Rainbow Celebration (evening worship). These are times when we seek to encounter the presence of God through song, prayer, and the study of His word. Our Rainbow Celebration deans have spent much time in prayer and preparation for these experiences.

Wednesday evening our worship time will be hosted at the Quaker Avenue Church of Christ at 7:00pm (1701 Quaker Avenue). Parents are welcome to attend. After the worship, there will be a time of fun for all Summer Excitement students and staff at Quaker Avenue's Family Center; this experience, called Jailbreak, is one of the highlights of the week!

#### **MEDICAL INFORMATION:**

All first-aid will be provided at the campus by Summer Excitement volunteer nurses. Medications such as Tylenol, Benadryl and Pepto-Bismol will be dispensed at their discretion. If there are any over-the-counter medicines parents **do not** wish their students to have, please

send a note with the student and give it to SE medical staff upon arrival. **All prescription medications MUST be checked in with the nurse upon arrival.** All Team Leaders will be instructed regarding what to do in case of an emergency. Although we do not anticipate emergencies, Covenant Hospital will be used if needed.

**\*Attached with this letter is a medical release form – please sign it and return with you when you check in on Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup>.**

**IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS FOR PARENTS:**

SE office (SE week only): 806-470-0068 (Kyle Bullock - Director)  
806-928-3339 (Kaitlin Riojas - Asst. Director)  
Covenant Hospital: 806-725-1011  
Quaker Avenue Church of Christ: 806-792-0716

**TEAMS AND FAMILIES:**

Throughout the week, students will be part of an age-based small group that we call "families." The family is composed of one male and one female Team Leader (small group leader) and approximately 10 students (half male and half female). Team Leaders are vital to helping students achieve community throughout the week, as well as vital in leading them in processing teaching times and worship experiences. TL's are positive, God-seeking young people who serve to make students' spiritual journey at SE as impactful as possible.

Prior to Summer Excitement students will hear from Team Leaders regarding how to best prepare for the week.

We are so excited you have chosen to join us this June at Summer Excitement. If you have any questions prior to arrival, feel free to reach out to your Team Leaders.

May the LORD bless you!

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## What to bring to

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All of the SUMMER EXCITEMENT 2023 staff are anxious to meet you! To make your preparations for the week a little easier, here is a checklist of items you will need to bring:

\_\_\_\_\_ BIBLE (physical bible is preferred)

\_\_\_\_\_ Personal Care Items (toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, soap, shampoo, shower shoes, etc.)

\_\_\_\_\_ Bedding for the dorms (twin size sheets or sleeping bag, blankets, pillow)

\_\_\_\_\_ Towels for the week

\_\_\_\_\_ Clothes for the week, including:

- Casual Clothes or Dress Up Day Costume for the morning
- Sports/Wild N' Crazy Clothes for afternoons
- Casual/Nice Clothes for the evenings. You will need to wear jeans on Wednesday evening, so make sure you bring a pair.
- Tennis shoes for Sports (no sandals or Crocs)

**\* NO WHITE CLOTHING for Sports and Wild N' Crazy Games.**

**\*\* We ask students to make sure you are dressed modestly. If you don't want to see the adult leaders and deans wearing it, then you shouldn't wear it to camp!**

**Any staff member has the right to and will send you to your room to change if your clothing is inappropriate!**

\_\_\_\_\_ (Optional) Money for concession stand.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Optional) Money for pizza. Pizza will be available Thursday night for around \$12 for a large pizza and drinks.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Optional) Laundry detergent. Washers and dryers in dorms are free to use.

### Do not bring:

- Any unnecessary electronic equipment or other valuables (TVs, radios, gaming consoles, etc.). Summer Excitement is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- No hammocks
- No vaping, tobacco, or alcohol
- No weapons of any kind

### Note about transportation:

\*\* If we are to pick up your son or daughter at the airport, please call or send us their arrival and departure information. We need to know the following details: student's name, date of arrival/departure, airline, flight number and arrival/departure time. Please send all flight information to Keri Moore by email at [keri.summerexcitment@yahoo.com](mailto:keri.summerexcitment@yahoo.com) or by texting her at 806-928-6717. Any students staying in Lubbock following Summer Excitement will be responsible for their own housing, food, and transportation.