

# Estero Church VBS FAQ

## ❖ Who can register for VBS summer fun week?

- ▶ Preschool kids who are or will be 4 yrs old near camp week (must be potty trained)
- ▶ Elementary kids who are in Kindergarten through 6th grade for the upcoming school year

## ❖ Who can Volunteer for VBS?

- ▶ 12 yrs / 7th grade and up (we encourage all ages to volunteer as it shows the participants that following Jesus is for everyone. Also, 7th and 8th graders have aged out of 'attending' VBS and we want them to play a special role and participate still as assistant helpers in our small groups or rotation stations.)
- ▶ From Check-in attendant, small group leaders, dinner station helpers and many more, there is a role for you! We want volunteers who feel led by the Spirit to come and help these amazing kids grow in Christ together.

## ❖ What will an evening at VBS week look like?

- ▶ Your child will start the evening with their small group in our Sanctuary for opening ceremony, where we will sing our camp songs, hear about our mission, and hear an important truth from the Bible to strengthen our relationship with Jesus, and of course talk about all the fun planned for the night.
- ▶ Their small group crew will be made up of 7-12 kids in their same age range led by 2-3 leaders. In groups, they'll stick together as they rotate to many fun stations throughout the evening and get to apply God's Word to their everyday life as they circle up with their crews for thought-provoking discussions.
- ▶ Imaginations will then soar as kids either do creative arts and crafts or experiment with Sciency-Fun experiments that reinforce the Bible point for that day. Kids will run and jump through games that connect with the daily Bible verse, stop and refuel at our dinner station, and then wrap it all up by gathering back together in the Sanctuary to end the day with more music and fun.

### ❖ Will my child be in a safe and secure environment?

- ▶ Definitely as safety is our first priority. We maintain only one way in and out and safety trainings/back ground checks for all volunteers. Our policy is strictly followed as we maintain 2 or more leaders with the children at all times.

### ❖ What if I made a mistake or have a question regarding my registration form?

- ▶ Please email all registration related questions to [online@estero.church](mailto:online@estero.church)

### ❖ Why do you charge for VBS?

- ▶ Unfortunately, in the past, we have had many families register and not end up attending. Due to high cost of materials and dinner provided each night, we are trying to maintain those cost. Please DO NOT let this cost stop your child from attending. We have scholarships available for anyone that might need a little help. Reach out to our Children's Director, Tricia Principato, for more information on this, [tprincipato@estero.church](mailto:tprincipato@estero.church). Also please note, we provide dinner each night, craft materials, and a VBS shirt for each child and volunteer.

### ❖ Do you sell CDs of the VBS Worship music?

- ▶ Unfortunately we do not, but we have an awesome VBS playlist we create every summer! But be sure to check out our VBS Spotify playlist available in June

### ❖ Can my child be in a group with their friends, siblings, etc?

- ▶ We cannot guarantee but will very much try to place kids together as long as they are close in age as we group by age. We also want to encourage your child to make new friends! If your child is bringing a friend who has never attended VBS, they will be in a group together.

### ❖ Besides attending VBS, what else can our family do?

- ▶ You can volunteer your time and talent by signing up to serve on our website VBS page
- ▶ You can donate supplies for all the fun! Check out the website for more info!