PARADISE POINT CAMP
The Episcopal Church in Idaho
McCall, ID

YOUTH & TEEN CAMP INFORMATION

Welcome to Paradise Point Camp! This packet is designed to help families prepare for a safe, fun, and meaningful camp experience. Please read it carefully and keep it handy as camp approaches.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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2026 YOUTH/TEEN CAMP DATES

~~Teen Camp 1 | Monday, June 15 (2pm) – Saturday, June 20 (10am)~~
~~Youth Camp 1 | Monday, June 22 (2pm) – Saturday, June 27 (10am)~~
Youth Camp 2 | Monday, June 29 (2pm) – Saturday, July 4 (10am)
Youth Camp 3 | Monday, July 6 (2pm) – Saturday, July 11 (10am)
Youth Camp 4 | Monday, July 13 (2pm) – Saturday, July 18 (10am)
Shortened Youth Camp | July 20 (2pm) – Thursday, July 23 (10am)
Teen Camp Weekend | Thursday, July 23 (2pm) – Monday, July 27 (10am)

QUICK GUIDE FOR PARENTS & GUARDIANS

Arrival: 2:00–3:00 PM on the first day of camp
Departure: 10:00–11:00 AM on the last day of camp
Electronics: Not allowed (stored and returned at check-out if brought)
Medications: Must be blister-packed and turned in at check-in
PEANUT-FREE facility
Emergency Care: On-site health care provider; local hospital 8 miles away
Transportation: Available from select Idaho locations (see Transportation section)
A weekly emergency drill will be conducted

CAMPER EXPECTATIONS

These expectations exist to ensure a safe, respectful, and fun environment for all campers.
Campers agree to:

- Treat staff, fellow campers, wildlife, and camp property with respect
- Follow all camp guidelines and safety rules
- Remain in cabins after lights out unless given permission by a counselor
- Respect the privacy and personal boundaries of others
- Use the “2 + Me = 3” buddy system at all times
- During the emergency drill, campers must remain calm and follow the instructions of the staff in charge. They are required to stay with their cabin group in the recreation hall, be quiet, pay attention during roll call, and await further instructions from the MESH Coordinator.

FINANCIAL POLICIES: BALANCES, REFUNDS, & CANCELLATIONS

- A $100 non-refundable deposit per session is due at registration.
- Remaining balances are due one week before the first day of camp.
- If a balance remains at check-in, families must pay in full or arrange a payment plan.
- Cancellations made less than one week before camp incur a $100 cancellation fee.
- No refunds are issued on or after the first day of camp, including for homesickness, dismissal, or voluntary withdrawal.
- Transportation cancellations within 7 days of arrival are non-refundable.
- Refunds (when applicable) are processed within 30 days of the end of the camp season.

INCLUSION STATEMENT
Paradise Point Camp values and respects the dignity of every person. We welcome campers, families, staff, and volunteers of all races, denominations, gender identities, and sexual orientations. We are inclusive and affirming of trans* and non-binary people. Our staff are trained in inclusive practices, we use pronouns in introductions, and we actively reinforce these values to ensure camp is a safe, welcoming community for all.

MEDICAL CARE & EMERGENCIES
Each session has an on-site health care provider present at camp. Paradise Point Camp ensures that all leadership staff hold current First Aid and CPR certifications. All other staff participate in comprehensive First Aid, CPR awareness, and emergency response training prior to the start of camp.

- Emergency care is coordinated with St. Luke's McCall Medical Center (8 miles away).
- Parents/guardians will be notified prior to any medical visit.
- Medical costs are billed to the camper's insurance.

If you will be unreachable during camp, please list an alternate authorized adult who can pick up your camper if needed.

MEDICATION POLICY
To reduce medication errors and ensure camper safety, all medications must be pre-packaged. Paradise Point stocks common over-the-counter medications. Please do not send unnecessary medications. Left over medications not picked up during departure day will be disposed of after Labor Day.
Quick Medication Checklist

- ☑ Blister packs required
- ☑ No loose pills or pill organizers
- ☑ All medications turned in at check-in
- ☑ Exceptions listed below

Medication Packaging
Medication should be divided by day and delivery time (as needed), be prepared in tamper-evident packaging, and be clearly labeled with contents, instructions, and any warnings (ie Amoxicillin 250 mg, large white pill, 2x daily, diarrhea is a common side effect and Vitamin D 25mg, small clear pill, 1x/day).

Approved Medication Packaging:
Pharmacy Blister Packs (Preferred)
Many pharmacies provide blister packs at no cost. Ask for "weekly blister packaging service for camp medication". Most pharmacies will include non-prescription medications like supplements, vitamins or daily allergy medications while packing prescription blister packs. As on January 1, 2026 Medicap pharmacies offer this service for $1.
Parent/Guardian Blister Packs
Easy to do at home, look for "cold seal" blister packaging (available online and in stores) Must be tamper-evident and include printed prescription details.
Camp Blister Packing (Not available at bus stops) $35
Bring your campers medications with you to drop-off and one of our staff will help you prepare your camper's blister pack. Bring all medication in their original containers with all delivery information and warnings. Parents choosing this option should plan on extra time at drop off (an additional 15-45 minutes).

Exceptions (No Blister Pack Required)

- EpiPens
- Inhalers
- Liquid, topical, or drop medications
- PRN/as-needed medications
- Rescue medications
- Birth control

LICE POLICY (NO NIT POLICY)
Because lice can spread quickly in a camp setting, Paradise Point maintains a No Nit Policy to protect all campers and staff. Additional information on head lice & its treatment can be found at: https://www.headlice.org/downloads/nonitpolicy.htm

- All campers receive a lice check during drop off
- Campers with lice or nits may not attend camp
- Campers may return 24 hours after treatment and a re-screen showing no nits
- No refunds are issued if a camper cannot return within their registered session

Please notify camp if your child has had lice or exposure within four weeks prior to arrival.

DIETARY NEEDS & ALLERGIES
Paradise Point Camp is a peanut-free facility. Please do not bring peanut products to camp.
We accommodate many dietary needs, including vegetarian, gluten-free, dairy-free, and egg-free diets. Please list all dietary needs during registration and include specific allergy details. Parents of campers with severe food allergies should contact our Kitchen Coordinator prior to arrival at camp at kitchen@episcopalidaho.org. Please note that we will make every effort to accommodate dietary restrictions. However, due to our open kitchen that handles major allergens (gluten, wheat, dairy, nuts, etc.) we cannot guarantee that items will be completely "free" of any ingredient.
While Paradise Point works to provide meals which meet these special needs as much as possible, it is the responsibility of the individual to avoid those foods that they are unable to eat (ie a camper on a vegetarian diet will need to select the vegetarian option in line). In certain cases, we allow participants to bring some of their own food items, made available to campers at meal and snack times.

BUS TRANSPORTATION
Paradise Point offers supervised transportation from select Idaho locations. Paradise Point does not allow campers to transport themselves when Camp-provided transportation is available. Arrive 15-30 minutes before the arrival/ departure times to help keep the bus on time. Transportation schedules may change due to weather or road conditions. Families will be notified of any changes.
Costs are as follows:

POCATELLO | $40 One Way/ $80 Roundtrip | Trinity Episcopal Church
Parking lot across from Pocatello High School | 325 N. Arthur Ave, Pocatello, ID 83204
JEROME | $35 One Way/ $70 Roundtrip | Comfort Inn & Suites
379 Crossroads Point Blvd, Jerome, ID
BOISE | $30 One Way/ $60 Roundtrip | St. Stephen's Episcopal Church
2206 N. Cole Road, Boise, ID 83704
EMMETT | $20 One Way/ $40 Roundtrip | St. Mary's Episcopal Church
219 E 1st St, Emmett, ID 83617
WEISER | $20 One Way/ $40 Roundtrip | St. Luke's Episcopal Church
106 E Liberty St, Weiser, ID 83672

Arrival Day: 1st Day of Camp	Departure Day: Last Day of Camp
7:30 AM Depart from POCATELLO	10:00 AM Depart from PARADISE POINT
9:30 AM Depart from JEROME	12:00 PM Arrive in WEISER
11:15 AM Depart from BOISE	1:00 PM Arrive in EMMETT
12:30 PM Depart from EMMETT	1:45 PM Arrive in BOISE
1:30 PM Depart from WEISER	4:00 PM Arrive in JEROME
3:30 PM Arrive at PARADISE POINT	6:00 PM Arrive in POCATELLO

DIRECTIONS

TO PARADISE POINT FROM BOISE

- Head west on State Street (Highway 44)
- Turn right onto Highway 55 North and continue 98 miles
- Heading north into McCall on Highway 55 (North 3rd Street in McCall)
- Turn right onto Deinhard Ln at the traffic light
- Turn left at S Samson Trail (stop sign)
- Continue onto Spring Mountain Ranch Blvd
- Turn right at Lick Creek Road (stop sign) and continue ~2 miles
- Slight left onto Eastside Drive at the fork (look for Paradise Point's sign to point the way)
- Continue 3.5 miles to Camp (pass Camp Morrison, Camp Ida-Haven and Tamarack Condominiums)
- Entrance to Paradise Point is on the left 1 mile after pavement ends

TO PARADISE POINT FROM NEW MEADOWS

- Head east on Highway 55 and continue 12 miles
- Heading east into McCall on Highway 55 (Lake Street in McCall)
- Turn right onto North 3rd Street in McCall
- Turn left onto Park Street (My Father's Place and May Hardware are on the corner)
- Continue onto Thompson Avenue
- Turn left at Davis Avenue
- Turn right at Lick Creek Road (stop sign) and continue 2 miles
- Slight left onto Eastside Drive at the fork (look for Paradise Point's sign to point the way)
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ARRIVAL DAY

All forms (Health Form, Waivers, etc) must be completed prior to arrival. Electronics (cell phones, tablets, game systems etc.) are not allowed at camp, please take them with you when you drop campers off. All electronics left with campers will be labeled and stored, Paradise Point is not responsible for lost or damaged items.

Drop-Off at Camp

- Arrival window: 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM
- Gate opens at 1:55 PM
- Check-in is outside King Lodge

Bus Drop-Off Locations

- Check-in begins 30 minutes prior to departure
- Medications are turned in to Paradise Point staff
- Help us stay on time by having all forms completed and balances paid ahead of time.

During check-in, campers meet with the on-site health care provider for a brief health check and medication review. Campers arriving by bus will complete their screening upon arrival.

If a camper is not checked in by 5:00 PM, staff will begin contacting listed guardians. Unclaimed spots may be offered to waitlisted campers after 9:00 PM.

Parent Check-in Tasks (to be completed with camper)

1. Visit Check-in Table (pay balance, add money to Brown Bear, complete any missing forms, have camper's photo taken)
2. Drop Off Luggage (Place everything on the labeled tarp, bags, bedding, etc)
3. Health Care Provider Screening (drop off medications, ask questions, lice check)
4. Meet Counselor (staff riding the bus will not be available until the bus arrives)
5. Say Goodbye (your camper is in excellent hands, let us take it from here!)

Camper Check-in Tasks (to be completed with their cabin)

1. Camp Tour (see the sights of camp)
2. Visit Brown Bear (our camp store and drop off any food or electronics)
3. Swim Test (see more info below)
4. Unpack (Bring luggage from the tarp to the cabin, Select bunks, Make beds, etc)
5. Create Cabin Guidelines (Discuss and agree to the rules of the cabin which will hang in the cabin all week)

Swim Test: On the first day, campers may take a swim test (4 dock lengths + 2 minutes treading water). Campers who do not pass or choose not to test may swim only in designated areas or with a life jacket. Campers may re-test later in the week.

DEPARTURE DAY

Campers may only be released to authorized individuals listed on their account pick up list.

- Photo ID required for all pick-ups
- Pick-up window at camp: 10:00–11:00 AM
- Late pick-up fees: $50 (Applies to campers not picked up at camp by 11:55 AM and bus riders not picked up 30 minutes after their expected arrival time)

Pick-Up at Camp (10:00 AM - 11:00 AM)

1. Park (Staff will direct you to park in the lot near the King Lodge)
2. Visit Check-out Table (Located by the Foote Rec Hall: Show ID, Sign out camper, Pick up unused meds, Get check-out card)
3. Pack-up (Load up your camper's belongings)
4. Head out (Give the check-out card to the staff at the bottom of the driveway, you will not be able to leave without it)

Bus Stop Pick-Up

1. Arrive 15-30 minutes early (Bus is often early)
2. Check-out with Camp Staff (Show ID, Sign out camper, Pick up unused meds)
3. Pack-up (Load up your camper's belongings)
4. Head out

A TYPICAL DAY AT CAMP

7:30	Wake Up Bell
8:00	Breakfast
9:00	Morning Celebration (Chapel)
9:30	Cabin Clean Up
10:00	Activity Choices
12:30	Lunch: Mail Call & Toss-Ins
1:30	Toes Up (Rest Hour)
2:30	Waterfront & Brown Bear (Camp Store)
4:30	Camper Clean-up (Showers)
5:00	Cabin Connections (Team Building)
6:00	Dinner
7:00	Evening Reflection (Chapel)
7:30	All Camp Game
8:30	Campfire
9:15	Tuck-ins/Ready for bed
10:00	Cabin Reflections (Wind-down time)
10:30	Lights Out

MORNING CELEBRATIONS & EVENING REFLECTIONS

As an Episcopal camp, Paradise Point weaves Christian values such as love, compassion, prayer, and forgiveness into daily camp life. Camp staff lead Morning Celebration and Evening Reflections each day, along with a one-hour Spiritual Connection period during the week for every camper. While the specific curriculum may change from year to year, this daily rhythm remains consistent.

Each week, a clergy member from the Episcopal Church in Idaho volunteers their time at camp to support campers and staff and to offer an instructional Eucharist. All campers are present for this experience, but participation is never required. The instructional Eucharist is an opportunity to learn what the Eucharist is, why it is sacred, and how it is practiced in the Episcopal Church. Campers and staff may choose to receive Communion, receive a prayer, or simply observe.

The Episcopal Church uses red wine in the celebration of Communion. Paradise Point welcomes campers and staff of all beliefs and denominations, and our staff are trained in the guiding philosophy of "all may, some should, none must."

OFF-CAMP TRIPS

Anytime campers leave Paradise Point property, the following rules are in place:

- There are always, at a minimum, two staff members responsible for the group of campers. The same camper-to-staff ratios apply off-camp as on-camp, so the more campers going on a trip, the more staff are sent.
- Staff that drive campers on these off-camp trips have special training in order to drive the vehicles specific for these off-camp trips. They must have valid driver's licenses and are covered under the Paradise Point insurance policy.
- All staff are trained in CPR & First Aid and the Lead Staff of each off-camp trip will carry a cell phone or two-way radio in case of emergencies.

CAMP PICTURES
Each day, Paradise Point staff take photos of camp activities and do their best to capture a photo of every camper. Photos are uploaded to Google Drive and shared with families via a weekly, view-only link. Upload timing depends on internet access and staff availability, with uploads typically happening about three times per week. Off-camp photos are usually uploaded within one week of the camp's departure day.

BROWN BEAR STORE POLICY
Brown Bear is the camp store where campers can purchase snacks, drinks, and merchandise. Campers are allowed to purchase one snack and one drink item daily and will typically spend $3/day. In addition to snacks, Paradise Point merchandise is available in Brown Bear and range in price from $5-$45 (sweatshirts, water bottles, stuffed animals, etc.).

Balances of less than $15 at the end of each camp session will be donated to the Camper Scholarship Fund. Balances can be transferred to siblings or family members attending future camp sessions. Parents/guardians have the option to donate balances over $15 to the Camper Scholarship Fund or have balances refunded via check. All Brown Bear Refunds & Donations will be processed within 30 days of the last day of the last camp session if it is not transferred, typically around October.

CABIN MATE REQUESTS
Families may request one cabin mate for their camper. Requests are prioritized when they are reciprocal (for example, Camper A requests Camper B and Camper B requests Camper A) and when campers are of a similar age (generally within three years) and the same gender expression.
While we will always do our best to accommodate cabin mate requests, we cannot guarantee that all requests can be fulfilled. To support a healthy, inclusive camp experience and to reduce the potential for cliques, we limit requests and thoughtfully build cabins with a mix of campers.
Camp is an incredible place for campers to build independence, confidence, and new friendships in a supportive environment. Many campers form lifelong friendships through their cabin experience. For this reason, we generally do not recommend siblings stay in the same cabin, as separate cabins often allow each child to fully engage, grow, and form their own connections.
If your camper has an extenuating circumstance, please don't hesitate to reach out. We're always happy to talk things through.

PARENT COMMUNICATION & HOMESICKNESS
One of the greatest things camp fosters is the opportunity for campers to gain independence and self-confidence through navigating challenging situations on their own and with the help of peers and staff. Calling home, either while homesick or just to check-in, doesn't allow for this opportunity. Often, when a homesick child speaks to someone from home, their homesickness is only made worse. Instead, we encourage letter-writing both to and from the family. Homesickness is normal. Staff are trained to support campers, and families can help by setting realistic expectations and remaining positive in letters from home.

Camper Check-In: This provides apprehensive parents the opportunity to receive a phone call from a staff member reporting on the well-being of their camper. All Camper Check-In requests received by 12:00 PM will be returned the same day. Parents/Guardians may ask for one Camper Check-in per session by calling or emailing the Camp Registrar at registrar@episcopalidaho.org or 208-830-9144.

Additional Resources for Homesickness:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1_4RnZtJZ2iSJTcqAR1b8MiaMw7zDQzc5/view?usp=sharing

The general camp practice is to only contact parents when there is concern about a camper's health and well-being. All other camper phone contact with parents/guardians is allowed only when approved by the Camp Director. All contact, successful and unsuccessful, is documented.

SENDING MAIL TO YOUR CAMPER
Campers love receiving mail and care packages while they're away from home. We strongly encourage families to drop off care packages at check-in, clearly labeled with your camper's name and delivery date, as

mail delivery can be delayed through McCall's small, rural post office. If mailing items, please send them early in the week to help ensure they arrive while your camper is still at camp. Any mail or packages that arrive after your camper has departed will be returned to the sender. Please do not include food in care packages. Thank you for your patience and understanding as both the McCall Post Office and camp manage a high volume of mail in a remote location.
A favorite Paradise Point tradition is the "lake toss." If a camper receives three letters or a package, they may choose to be thrown in the lake, sing with fellow campers, or have their counselor take the plunge instead. No mail? No problem. Every camper will have the opportunity to participate in the lake tradition, regardless of whether they receive letters or packages.
Ideas for care packages:

- Anything glow-in-the-dark is a huge hit: bracelets, necklaces, glasses, toys, etc. (no glow-in-the-dark ceiling stickers, please)
- Stationary/Pens to write home
- Something to autograph – campers love to get everyone to sign something before they leave.
- Activity Books: Crossword Puzzles, Coloring Books, etc are great for Toes Up
- Card games
- Water toys – inflatable toys, water guns, diving toys, etc. (no water balloons, please)

Direct mail correspondence to:
Camper's Name
C/O Paradise Point Camp
P.O. Box 764
McCall, ID 83638

SENDING EMAIL TO CAMP
If you would like to email your camper throughout their week at camp, you can purchase a block of 15 one-way emails for $5 during registration. You can also invite family and friends to send emails. Each day before lunch we print all emails received in the previous 24 hours to hand out during lunch with the rest of the mail. Any emails sent after 12:00 PM on Friday will not be received by your camper.

RECEIVING MAIL FROM CAMP
Camper letters are mailed through the McCall Post Office Monday through Friday. Campers are encouraged to write home each day during Toes Up. While staff do their best to catch addressing errors, the easiest way to ensure letters reach home is to send your camper with paper and pre-addressed, stamped envelopes. Writing can stir up big feelings, and often campers are writing letters during these homesick moments. In most cases, campers will have settled in and are enjoying camp by the time the letter arrives. If you receive a letter that concerns you, please contact the Camp Director.

AFTER-CAMP CONTACT & SOCIAL MEDIA
For camper safety, communication with staff after camp should occur through official camp channels or with parent/guardian involvement. Paradise Point advises staff on appropriate communication and healthy boundaries with campers, which includes all emails and letters being addressed to the camper's parents or guardians, or phone calls with the parent or guardian present. Online communication on personal accounts between staff members and campers is not monitored or managed by Paradise Point and Paradise Point is not responsible for the content on the staff member's accounts. The expectation is that all parties (parents, campers, and staff) use respect and common sense in social media communication or contact outside of Camp.

Paradise Point Social Media
Website: paradisepointcamp.org
Facebook: facebook.com/paradisepointcamp
Instagram: @paradisepointcamp
YouTube: youtube.com/channel/ParadisePointSummerCamp

Campers who would like to keep in touch with other campers are encouraged to exchange contact information while at Camp. During the registration process parents and guardians can select to share their contact

information (address, phone number, and email) if requested by another camper. Parents or Guardians can contact the Camp Office to receive approved contact information. Paradise Point will never share any information with an outside party.

LOST & FOUND
Found items are displayed daily on Trust Rock and shown to campers before departure. At the end of the camp season a Google Folder will be sent out with all found items. Lost and found items can be picked up at camp, the Diocesan Office in Boise, or be shipped at an additional charge. Unclaimed items will be donated January 15th.
Use this form to let us know of any missing items, or claim items in the google folder. Link to form: https://forms.gle/KmNY1haCUqFNPuRF7

DRESS CODE
Clothing should support active participation and reflect camp values. Please help your camper pack accordingly. Clothing referencing drugs, alcohol, or inappropriate content is not permitted. Make sure shorts, dresses, and skirts are an appropriate length for being highly active and swimsuits do not slip/move/become immodest while being active in the water or on the beach.

ITEMS TO LEAVE AT HOME
Weapons, ammunition, fireworks, drugs, alcohol, cigarettes, vapes, lighters/ matches, and knives (including utility) are not allowed at camp. Bringing prohibited items to camp, may result in the camper being sent home. Electronics are not allowed throughout the camp session, this includes: phones, smart watches, e-readers, tablets, gaming devices, etc. Items brought to camp are stored and returned at check-out. Digital Cameras may be used with prior approval and agreement to digital camera use terms.

PACKING FOR CAMP
Please label all items and help your camper pack his/her/their own bag for camp. Items are more often lost when a camper does not know what their parents packed for them. Campers staying for more than one week will need to pack accordingly. Please check the weather report for McCall, Idaho for your camper's upcoming session. Most activities are outside. Paradise Point Camp's guiding principle is: there is no bad weather, only bad gear! Laundry will only be done for emergency purposes.

Do NOT pack medications (prescriptions or over-the-counter) OR money for the Camp Store in your luggage. Please bring them to Check-In on arrival day.

Suggested Packing list

- Jeans/long pants
- Shorts
- T-shirts
- Sweatshirts/Jackets
- Pajamas
- Underwear & socks for 6 days (Pack extras!)
- 2 Swimsuits (appropriate for high activity)
- Tennis shoes/ hiking shoes
- Flip-flops/water shoes
- Hat/cap for hot/cold weather
- Gloves for cool weather
- Dirty clothes bag
- Sleeping bag & pillow
- 2 Towels: beach/shower
- Soap/shampoo
- Toothpaste/toothbrush
- Chapstick
- Paper/envelopes & stamps
- Journal or small notebook
- Daypack
- Water bottle
- Flashlight or Headlamp
- Sunscreen (30 SPF minimum)
- Bug Spray

Paradise Point is not responsible for lost items. Please label everything!

We're honored to care for your camper and look forward to an unforgettable week at Paradise Point Camp!