



HOPE SHORES

BIBLE CAMP + RETREAT CENTER

Hope Shores Confirmation

Please review the contents of this letter carefully.

Thank you for choosing Hope Shores Bible Camp! We are excited to have your camper spend a week with us this summer. We strive to make the Hope Shores experience enjoyable, memorable, and meaningful for each and every camper. Please read the following updated policies carefully to ensure that your child's experience is all of these.

The following items are **required** for attendance:

___ Registration Fee + Canteen Money paid in full via online account **two weeks prior** to camp start date. You can gain access to your account by visiting HOPE-SHORES.ORG and clicking on REGISTRATION. (see Financial Policy on page 2 for additional details)

___ Completed Health Form (attached, see Medical Policy on page 2 for additional details)

___ Copy of Health Insurance Card

Please bring the completed health form and copies of insurance cards with to check-in on the camp start date.

Important instructions for camper's departure and return:

Check In:

Check-in will take place at Hope Church (7132 Portland Ave S, Richfield) on Sunday at **2 p.m.** Please park in the 4th Avenue parking lot (back side of the building, between 71st St. and 72nd St.). Upon arrival, please use caution; follow all traffic laws and watch for pedestrians. First, check in your camper and turn in their health form, copies of insurance card, and any medications. Then have your camper load their belongings on the bus/trailer. Parent(s)/guardian(s) are responsible for their camper(s) until the camper has boarded the bus. The bus will leave at **3 p.m.**

Return:

The campers will return to Hope Church on Friday evening around **5 p.m.** Please be available to claim your camper and help them retrieve their belongings. When you arrive to pick up and check out your camper, park in the 4th Avenue parking lot (back side of the building, between 71st St. and 72nd St.). Upon arrival, please use caution; follow all traffic laws and watch for pedestrians. Parent(s)/guardian(s) are responsible for their camper(s) once parent(s)/guardian(s) have checked their camper out. In the event of an unexpected schedule change or an emergency, you will be notified via email of any change in return time and/or location.

If your camper is unable to take the bus, campers may be dropped off/picked up at Hope Shores (17087 TTT Road, Eden Valley, MN 55329) by a parent/guardian. We ask that campers do not transport themselves to or from camp, nor can campers' private vehicles be kept on the camp property. If you choose to drop off/pick up your camper at Hope Shores in your own private vehicle, please contact Katie McGowan at katie@hope-pc.org for additional details.

Mail

While you may not expect your child to write to you, receiving mail is an event at Hope Shores! In fact, campers who do not receive mail sometimes become disappointed. You and your friends may write to campers (and camp staff, too)! It is traditional at Hope Shores and a main event at lunch for the Director to read aloud postcards. If you do not want your postcard to be read aloud, please label it "DO NOT READ!" Send mail to:

Camper or Staff Name
Hope Shores Bible Camp
17087 TTT Road
Eden Valley, MN 55329

Please review the following important camp policies:

Medical Policy

Health Record Form: This form *must* be on file at camp while your child is there. Please include the date of their most recent tetanus shot, immunization history, and if they've been exposed to chicken pox or measles.

Medications: All medications brought to camp by a camper should be in containers which are clearly labeled to include the name of the camper, the name of the medication, the dosage, the frequency of administration and the route of administration. All medication prescribed by a physician should, in addition, be labeled to include the name of the prescribing physician, the prescription number, date prescribed, possible adverse reactions, the specific conditions when contact should be made with the physician, and other special instructions as needed. Medications must be turned in at check-in.

Parents are responsible for all doctor and medication expenses that result from their child's illness at camp. Hope Shores has medical insurance for accidents only. A camp nurse is on duty at all times.

Cancellation & Financial Policy

Your registration may be cancelled anytime up to 14 days before the camp start date, and you will receive a refund, minus the \$50 non-refundable deposit. If you need to cancel your child's registration within 14 days of the camp start date, please contact Yon and Megan at yonandmegan@hope-pc.org. A refund, minus the \$50 deposit, will be issued if we can fill your spot. Cancellations can be made through your online account by visiting HOPE-SHORES.ORG and clicking on REGISTRATION.

Financial assistance is available to families unable to pay the full amount of the balance. Please refer to the Youth Camp Scholarship Request form online.

In addition to the camp tuition, you were prompted to add additional store money. This is spending money for pop, candy, crafts, camp sweatshirts, beach towels, blankets, and other souvenirs. An average amount for pop, candy, and store items is \$20-\$35. If you need to change that amount you can return to your account and do so.

Unused money can be donated to camp or refunded via our online system. *Please note any monies less than \$10 remaining at the end of the week, will be considered a donation to the camp ministry.* Returning small amounts of money is cost prohibitive for the camp ministry.

Emergencies

You will be notified immediately if your child is involved in an emergency at camp.

In the event of an emergency at home, Hope Shores' phone number is 320-453-2520. Please do not call campers, except in an emergency.

Roommate Request

At the time of registration, you had the opportunity to request one other camper to be in the same cabin with your child. We hope this policy will provide some comfort as well as encourage new friendships beneficial for a child's healthy social development.

Staff

Our staff is made up of college students and professional educators. They are mature, competent, trained Christian leaders, skilled in the camp's activities and sensitive to your camper's needs. The staff is the hallmark of Hope Shores. Lifestyle modeling is especially important for young people. We seek to model Christ at work in our lives in order to make a permanent difference in the lives of those campers who attend Hope Shores.

The success of our camp is due to the personal relationships that our staff develops with their campers. The staff are carefully screened, their references scrutinized, and a criminal background check is completed on each staff member. All staff members attend thorough training before camp begins, as well as on-going training, to assure that your child receives the highest Christian care.

Stay Updated!

While your camper is away, you can stay updated on their activities by checking our daily blog at hopeshores.wordpress.com or following us on [Facebook.com/hopeshoresbiblecamp](https://www.facebook.com/hopeshoresbiblecamp), Twitter [@hope_shores](https://twitter.com/hope_shores), and Instagram [@hope_shores](https://www.instagram.com/hope_shores).

Questions? Please Ask!

If you have any questions or need further assistance with your child's registration, please call Katie at (612) 720-4493 or contact us at admin@hope-shores.org.

Again, thank you for choosing Hope Shores. We know God has great things in store for your camper this summer.