Challenge Camp 2024 Information Packet July 1 - 6, 2024

What makes Challenge Camp different?

Challenge camp is unique because it is only girls and steeped in the Catholic faith. In addition to the "normal" camp activities (games, canoeing, horseback riding, campfires, etc.) we have a chaplain offering daily Mass, confessions, Adoration, and a Eucharistic procession. We also have a Consecrated woman to lead talks, prayers, and accompany the girls in their walk with Christ. The all girl environment allows the girls to focus on building friendships with each other and with Christ without the typical boy-girl drama that you find at other camps. The theme of camp always leads girls on a virtue quest that helps them learn about and practice virtues in a concrete and permanent way.

Dates:

Arrival Date: July 1, 2024 4:00 - 5:00 PM Check In End Date: July 6, 10:30 Mass (All families invited) Pick up at 11:30, Depart by 12:00

Location:

Sky Lodge Christian Camp County Road Y Montello, WI 55349 Sky Lodge has been our partner for the past 13 years helping to make Challenge summer camp a reality. We thank them for their support and teamwork!

Ages and Tracks:

(Grade <u>entering</u> Fall 2024) Track 1: 5th and 6th grades Track 2: 7th and 8th grades Track 3: 9th graders (team leaders in training) Team leaders: 10th - 12th Graders and beyond Team Leaders need to apply by filling out the "Interested in being a team leader?" form on the Challenge camp registration page <u>www.missionnetworkmsp.org</u>

Cost:

- Early bird registration is \$395 before April 30th, 2024

- Regular Registration is \$435 after April 30th, 2024
 - ** Gluten free meals are an additional \$30
 - ** Dairy free meals are additional \$21

All payment and forms must be received by June 1, 2024 so we can order the correct number of supplies

- Last Chance Registrations:

After June 1, Please contact Nichole Moudry for availability and options.

Payment Options:

- 1. Pay in full at missionnetworkmsp.org
- 2. Send a check made out to "Mission Network MSP" with your registration forms

Lodging:

Challenge Camp will be using two large cabins at Sky Lodge. Each cabin has one activity room and two large bunk rooms. We will use one activity room as our chapel. Each bunk room is supervised by camp moms. Groups are separated by tracks.

Specific Needs:

We want every girl to have the best experience possible. Please indicate on the registration form and/or health form any information we need to know in order to accommodate any particular needs your daughter may have.

Contact Information:

For registration, payment, forms, and other camp questions, please contact Nichole Moudry at 612-802-5059 or email nichole@moudry.net.

Activities:

- Adoration
- All Night Adoration
- Archery
- Arts and Crafts
- Canoeing
- Climbing
- Crate Stacking





- Confession Opportunities
- Formation Talks
- Horseback Riding
- Team building
- Mass and Daily Prayer
- Meditations
- Mini-Golf
- Night Activities
- One on One Mentoring with a consecrated
- Sports and Games
- Swimming
- Themed Dinners



Camp Organization

Many people come together to make camp a reality. Challenge Camp is run primarily by a team of volunteers which include the following:

Camp Leadership

Fr. Chad Everts, L.C. (Chaplain) Olivia Steeves, consecrated to Jesus (Spiritual Formation and Mentoring) Abigail Kellar (Camp Director) Nichole Moudry (Camp Logistics Coordinator) Track Leaders and Team Leaders from Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Illinois Volunteer Camp Moms (Chaperoning)

Track Leaders

College-aged girls who work with our team leaders before and during the camp.

Team Leaders

10 - 15 High School Girls who dedicate the week to spending time with your daughter and helping her have the best experience possible.

Camp Moms

We need several moms to volunteer to help with camp. The primary duty is to be in the cabins during shower time and sleeping hours and assist with crafts. (no crafting expertise necessary) Please contact Nichole Moudry if you are able to help.

Camper Organization

Teams and Tracks

Campers are organized by age groups into teams of 5 - 12 girls each. Every team is led by 2-3 team leaders. Two teams come together to form a track. Some activities are done as teams, some as tracks, and some as the whole camp depending on the specific activity.

Registration Checklist:

All forms can be found in the registration packet

- □ Registration Form Can be done online
- □ Payment Can be online or check
- □ Permission to Participate Form
- □ Medical Form
- $\hfill\square$ Copy of Medical Insurance Card
- $\hfill\square$ Completed Checklist with policy agreement

Please send payment (If not done online) and forms to:

Challenge Summer Camp % Nichole Moudry 9696 226th Ln. N.W. Elk River, MN 55330

All forms and payment must be sent in by June 1st to secure your spot.

Electronics Policy:

If you choose to send your daughter with a phone, the camp coordinator will keep it during the week. If there is an emergency, a camp mom will assist your daughter. Otherwise, throughout the week the girls are encouraged to leave the busy life behind and focus on the full camp experience. All other electronics should be left at home. Parents are welcome to contact the camp coordinator throughout the week with any questions or concerns. The team leaders and camp moms will not have the availability to communicate during the week.

Dress Code Policy:

Please remember that we have a priest present with us at all times. Out of respect for him, and to encourage dignity and respect for themselves and each other, please ensure your daughter wears clothing that is modest. Camp organizers reserve the right to ask your daughter to change clothes that do not follow the guidelines. Specifically: Shirts: No spaghetti straps or crop tops,

tank tops are allowed when appropriate (sports and activities) Skirts and Dresses: must fall just above the knee or longer and

must have sleeves (or a sweater/jacket over top) Shorts: no running shorts or biking shorts (unless worn under other shorts) Swimsuit: No midsection showing

(Skylodge will not allow them in the pool area unless this is met)

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- \Box an open and enthusiastic heart
- shorts Must be 5" from knee or longer
 no biking shorts (unless worn under other shorts/skirts)
- □ shirts (no spaghetti straps or belly buttons showing)
- □ jeans, not leggings (required for riding horses)
- \Box 1-2 sweatshirts or jackets
- 🗆 pajamas
- □ swimsuit (one piece or tankini no midsection showing)
- □ outfit and shoes for Mass (we have Mass every day but the one outfit is great)
- messy olympic outfit disposable
 - (these will be discarded, trust me you will **not** want these clothes coming home)
- □ tennis shoes (closed toe shoes are required for horseback riding)
- \Box flip flops for shower/pool
- \Box socks
- □ underwear
- □ toiletries: soap, shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, etc.
- \Box bug repellant
- \Box sunscreen and aloe
- \Box 2 towels (one for shower, one for pool)
- □ pillow and sleeping bag or sheets/blanket
- □ flashlight
- □ Bible
- \Box rosary
- \Box notebook/pens
- □ small bag (like drawstring etc. to keep above items in)
- □ package individually wrapped snacks to share
- \Box optional: camera
- □ optional: spending money (there is a snack shack)