



2019 Information Guide

WEEK 1: JULY 29TH - AUGUST 1st

WEEK 2: AUGUST 5TH - 8TH

Middle School Youth Currently in Grades 5-7

High School Leaders Currently in Grades 8-12

Adult Leaders (chaperones, volunteers, and college students)



Diocese of
Winona-Rochester



ABOUT

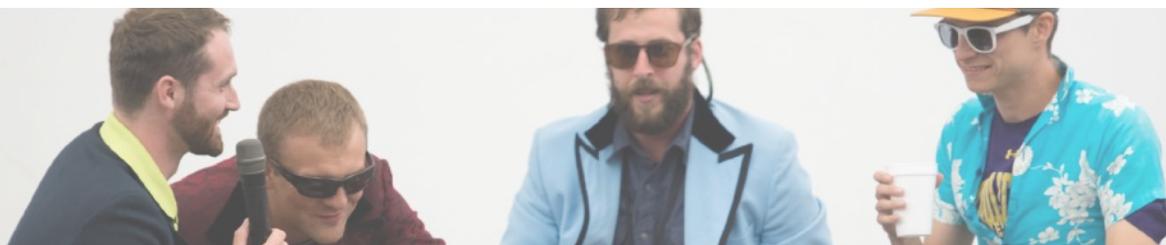
Camp Summit is an overnight Catholic adventure camp for middle school youth entering grades 6-8 in the upcoming school year. High school youth are invited to serve on one of our two leadership teams (Dream Team and Fiat). It's also a great experience for the many adult volunteers who make Camp Summit a success year after year.

Camp Summit is blessed to partner with Eagle Bluff Environmental Camp which is nestled in the bluffs of Lanesboro, Minnesota. Together we provide a fun, formative, and faith-filled experience for Parish groups throughout the Diocese of Winona-Rochester. Our team collaborates with the highly-trained Eagle Bluff staff to provide unique and fun activities which seek to encourage your child to try new things, meet new friends, and build a strong relationship!

Camp Summit is excited to offer high ropes courses, an indoor rock wall, archery, bonfires, large group games, prayer hikes, delicious food, and challenging team building activities.

Camp Summit also features: daily Mass, the opportunity to receive Sacrament of Reconciliation, Eucharistic Adoration, dynamic speakers, incredible music, Xtreme napping, reflections, small group discussions, and much more.

“The Eucharist is the source & summit of the Christian life.”
-Lumen gentium 11, Second Vatican Council, 1964



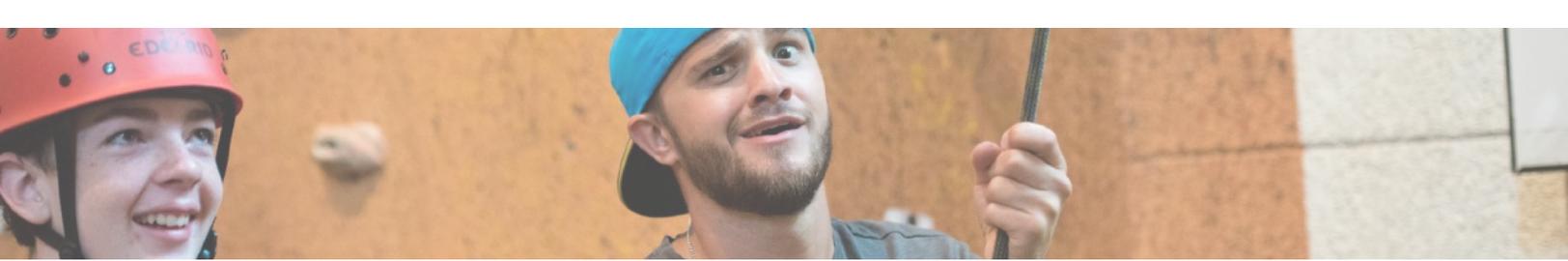
+ TYPICAL SCHEDULE

Monday from 12:30 pm - Thursday to 11:45 am

7:00 am	Rise & Shine!
7:30 am	Breakfast
8:30 am	Prayer Session & Time to Pray
9:30 am	Activity (Archery, team building, ropes course, speaker session)
12:30 pm	Lunch
1:30 pm	Activity (Archery, team building, ropes course, speaker session)
4:30 pm	Mass
5:30 pm	Dinner
6:30 pm	Evening Speaker Session
7:30 pm	Adoration, Reconciliation, Praise and Worship
8:30 pm	Large Group Evening Activity (Night games, dance party, bonfire)
10:00 pm	Parish Group Reflection Time
10:30 pm	Lights out

Parents, family, and friends are invited to the closing Mass on Thursday at 10:45 am in the Discovery Center Auditorium. Camp Staff will communicate any schedule changes with Parish Group Leaders.

+ HIGH SCHOOL LEADERS ON DREAM TEAM & FIAT WILL FOLLOW A DIFFERENT SCHEDULE INCLUDING BEGINNING CAMP ON SATURDAY SO THEY CAN TAKE PART IN TWO DAYS OF IMPORTANT TRAINING BEFORE MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH ARRIVE ON MONDAY.



REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Step I - Connect with your Parish Group Leader

Camp Summit is designed for Parish groups to build community with each other and with other groups around the Diocese of Winona-Rochester. All participants must register and attend camp with a Parish group. Parish Group Leaders are responsible for informing their participants of dates, deadlines, details, cost, and registration information specific to their parish.

Details such as cost, travel, and timing will vary from parish to parish. Once you have connected with your Parish Group Leader he or she will give you important directions detailing how to register.

Note: if your parish is not planning on sending a group to Camp Summit but you still desire to attend please contact our Camp Director who will be able to connect you to another group.

Step II - Register Online (AFTER Step I above)

In a web browser navigate to: www.campsummitwinona.org

Locate the "Register" link in the top page menu

Choose: "Middle School," "High School," "Parish Leaders," or "Volunteer"

Follow on screen directions + any given to you by your Parish Group Leader

Register by June 1st

COST OF CAMP

Parishes may set their own prices for camp (parishes may choose to charge more or less than what is detailed below due to transportation costs, cost of adult leaders, and any other incidentals that might occur). We encourage you to check with your Parish Group Leader for the official cost of Camp Summit.

The base cost for this year's camp is \$250. That fee covers: three overnights at Eagle Bluff, all meals from dinner on Monday-Breakfast on Thursday, a t-shirt, water bottle, draw string bag, and camp resources and materials.

FUNDRAISING/GRANTS/SCHOLARSHIPS

Parishes often provide fundraising to help offset the cost of camps/trips such as Camp Summit. Participants are encouraged to ask their Parish Group Leader(s) to see if fundraising options are available in their parish. Unfortunately at this time the Diocese of Winona-Rochester does not offer any grants or scholarships, but we do have plans to offer those in the near future.

If you are interested in helping us develop a grant/scholarship fund we would greatly appreciate it! Please contact our Camp Director for more information at: campsummitwinona@gmail.com



Packing List

What to Bring

Sleeping Bag
Pillow
Shorts
T-shirts
Sweatshirt
Long Pants
Tennis Shoes
Towel
Toiletries
Flashlight
Pajamas
Hat
Rain Jacket/Poncho
Bug Spray
Sunscreen
Water Bottle
Bible
Rosary
Pen and Journal

Optional

Spending money - Student will have an opportunity to buy souvenirs and treats from the Eagle Bluff Camp Store as well as our new in 2019 Camp Summit Merchandise!

Parents, if you would like to email a note of encouragement to your child while at Eagle Bluff email the note to campsummit@eagle-bluff.org. Include Camp Summit, their full name, and parish group.

What to Not Bring

Cell Phones
iPods/Music Players
Video Games
Curling Irons
Hair Dryers
Hair Straighteners
Immodest Clothing
(please no tank tops, low cut tops, short shorts, or sagging shorts)

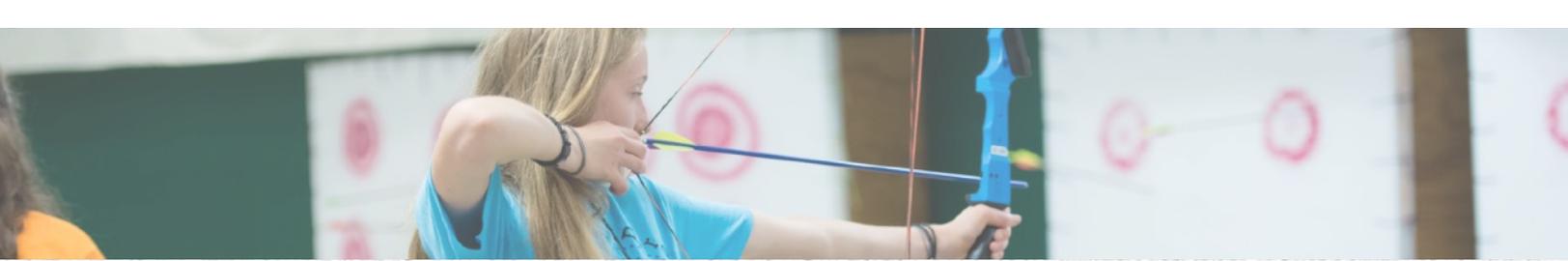
Questions

If you have any further questions regarding Camp Summit, please contact your parish trip leader, our camp director at:

campsummitwinona@gmail.com

and/or visit:

www.campsummitwinona.org



HIGH SCHOOL LEADERSHIP OPTIONS

Camp Summit offers a unique opportunity for high school youth to encounter the faith in a deeper way through a week of formation that equips them to be spiritual leaders at camp and beyond!

High school leaders are provided with specialized formation, talks, and mentorship geared to their age. In addition, high school leaders play a vital role during camp by praying for campers, assisting chaperones in activities and small groups, and offering mentorship to campers.

Dream Team

For students entering 9th Grade-Recent Graduates, first summer serving

Dream Team members act as a visible witness for our faith by acts of service, charity, and prayer. Dream Team receives tools to deepen your personal prayer life, you will listen to inspirational talks, pray for campers, and build fellowship with others!

Dream Team members also get to experience the beauty and fun of Eagle Bluff with high ropes, canoeing, archery, bonfires, prayer hikes, and more! Come to camp with an open mind and open heart, God's ready to do some amazing work through you!

Fiat

For students entering 10th Grade-Recent Graduates, already served on Dream Team

The Fiat Team plays a vital role in the success of camp by directly assisting chaperones in activities and small groups, praying for and with campers and setting a strong example to all campers.

Fiat Team also experiences the beauty and fun of Eagle Bluff with high ropes course, archery, bonfires, large group games, and more! It is vital that you come to camp with an open mind and open heart and ready to serve selflessly and give God your fiat!

How to Apply

Before you apply, you are encouraged to meet with your Youth Minister, Parish Group Leader, or Priest to discuss this opportunity and prayerfully decide together if you are ready for this incredible responsibility. You will be asked to list your recommender on your application. When you are ready to apply navigate to www.campsummitwinona.rog/highschool and follow the directions.

Applications are due online: May 1
Teams will be selected: May 15
Fiat Team Summer training day: TBD

If selected to lead you will report to camp the Saturday before the Middle School Campers arrive. Please plan accordingly to participate in the training weekend (Saturday-Monday before camp).

To build a strong foundation rooted in prayer, high school leaders are asked to serve their first summer on our Dream Team.



ADULT VOLUNTEER ROLES

Camp Summit is seeking dedicated, passionate, and faith-filled volunteers to ensure Camp Summit is a meaningful, prayerful, and fun experience! Read through the roles below (more detailed information can be found on our website at www.campsummitwinona.org/volunteer). If you understand the expectations, please complete the online volunteer application. You will be asked to list your top three roles and we will prayerfully discern where to place each volunteer. Great news, most roles allow you to volunteer AND chaperone your parish group!

Fiat Team

This role assists the Fiat Team Adult Lead during the training weekend and throughout camp by helping lead, teach, pray for, and work with all the Fiat Team youth.

Dream Team

Dream Team leaders will expose students to the importance of a life built upon prayer through teaching about and engaging in various forms of prayer.

Emcee Team

Emcees are responsible for creating an engaging and welcoming atmosphere for campers from the stage and Camp Summit. Emcees provide entertainment, direction, transitions, and introductions throughout the entire week.

Chaperone Lead

The Chaperone Lead functions as a point person for all group leaders at Camp Summit. They will lead daily chaperone meetings, run through the schedule, answer questions, pray with the chaperones, and facilitate discussion.

Activities Lead

Activity leaders are responsible for creating an engaging and welcoming atmosphere for campers at Camp Summit. You will help lead large group games, impromptu entertainment, and direct chaperones to help lead activities throughout the week.

Volunteer Lead

Before camp, help recruit and retain Camp Summit volunteers. Update training materials and role descriptions and coordinate stewardship. At camp, make sure volunteers are being supported, welcomed, given clear tasks.

Lead Nurse

Lead Nurse will use their experience to lead a group of 5 volunteer camp nurses during Camp Summit. See Nursing Team responsibilities directly below under "Camp Nurse."

Camp Nurse

The nursing team will provide general first aid, help youth through illnesses, injuries, homesickness, and helps chaperones with medications and medical emergencies as needed.

Band Member

Band members will execute all live music needs during the weekend and week of Camp Summit, including, but not limited to, daily Mass and two nights of Adoration.

Stage Crew Members

Assist with the set-up, running and maintenance of all audio, visual, and environmental needs at camp. Including but limited to helping with band set-up and sound checks, creating and running lyric slideshows, creating playlists and setting up sound, lighting, and stage.

Maintenance Lead

Help maintain the set-up, organization, and cleanliness of the auditorium, dorm building, and Eagle Bluff grounds during camp. Connect with Eagle Bluff about any maintenance, cleaning, or supply issues.

Photographer or Videographer

Photographers and videographers work to capture the spirit of Camp Summit through pictures and videos to be used for promotional material, videos, website, slideshows, and to share with families after camp.

Marketing and Merchandise Lead

Utilize your creativity and design experience to create promotional pieces for camp including posters and advertisements. Design printable pieces for camp including booklets and signage and design and order camp items and merchandise. The majority of tasks will be completed before camp.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Who can attend Camp Summit?

Middle school youth entering grades 6-8 are invited to experience a week as a camper! Camp Summit also offers a unique experience for high school youth to be a part of one of our two leadership teams. Each group must also have a 1:5 gender-specific ratio between youth and adult chaperones (21+).

Where does everyone sleep? What do we eat?

Campers stay in rooms with 8 bunk beds, a bathroom and a shower. We do our best to house campers with people from their parish group. Campers will be busy for most of the day and will only be in their rooms to sleep. Campers must provide their own sleeping bag, pillow, and towels.

All meals are provided on site and are covered in the cost of camp. If you have special dietary needs, accommodations can be made. Please let your parish youth leader know at registration what your dietary needs are.

How do I pay for Camp Summit?

If you are a parent, please make sure you register online and turn in your payment (if necessary) after talking to your Parish's Group Leader.

If you are a Parish group leader mail your payment to the Diocese by June 15 (please note your parish and camp week on checks)

Mail to: Diocese of Winona-Rochester
 c/o Camp Summit, Office of Youth Ministry
 P.O. Box 588
 Winona, MN 55987

Where is Camp Summit?

Camp Summit is hosted at Eagle Bluff Environmental Learning Center nestled in the beautiful Root River Valley of Lanesboro, MN. For detailed driving directions please visit our website at:

www.campsummitwinona.org/location

Street Address
28097 Goodview Drive
Lanesboro, Minnesota 55949

What if I don't have a Youth Minister or my Parish is not going to Camp Summit?

Each camper must register and attend Camp Summit with a Parish group. If you do not have a Parish group please Contact Us and let us know where you live and/or to which Parish you belong. We will connect you with a Parish group in your area.



NEXT STEPS

Pray

There is no better way to discern than to pray. Put yourself in front of Christ in adoration, close the door to your room, be still and silent. Ask God to speak to you. Tell him you want to do his will and then be open go where he is calling you.

Use this prayer if you wish:

Father, help me to know your will for me in all aspects of life. If it is your will, send a sense of calm over my decision making process particularly as I determine whether or not you are calling me to participate in this camp. Amen.

Ask Questions

Do you have questions about the camp? Talk to your youth minister and/or adult leader(s).

Register and Pay for the Camp

Don't forget to register and pay (talk to your trip leader about payment details).

Prepare Yourself

Continue to pray every day. Go to Mass as often as you can. Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Meet with somebody who has gone to Camp Summit before for coffee. Open yourself to the various ways God is working in your life. Meet with your youth minister(s) to come up with a spiritual plan/goal for yourself as you prepare for Camp.

Invite a Friend

Put the Gospel into action. Tell a friend about Camp Summit and encourage him or her to participate and journey with you.

Important Dates to Remember

February 14:	Online Registration Opens
May 1:	Fiat & Dream Team Apps Due Online
June 1:	Online Registrations Due
June 15:	Final Payments Due
Jul 29-Aug 1:	Camp Summit Week I
Aug 5-8:	Camp Summit Week II

DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER

AFTER you talk to your Parish Group Leader the next step is to register. Registration is 100% online this year. Navigate to our website and find the appropriate "Registration Menu." You will be guided through the registration process. Be sure to read through this Information Guide for more info. and to find answers to many of your questions. If you have further questions contact your Parish Group Leader or our Camp Director at campsummitwinona@gmail.com.

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