

CAMP HUSTON
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# Greetings from Camp Huston!

You are registered for **Discovery Camp 3/International Odyssey**. Camp will begin with Check-In at **3:00 pm** on **Sunday August 4, 2024**. The session ends **Saturday August 10, 2024 after the Closing Service, which begins at 10am**.

We're glad that you will be joining us **August 4-10, 2024** for a week of fun, friendship, and discovery! We believe that the Discovery Group experience is the most important part of camp and the most fun. The process of sharing, learning, and growing together with the other campers and staff can result in experiences which are new and exciting for everyone. During your session, you will have the opportunity to go on hikes, cook-out with your group, share in group discussions, and plan some of your group's activities. Each day at camp winds down with a chapel service. You will also be able to participate in arts and crafts projects, archery, swimming in the outdoor pool, and more! Come with lots of energy, ideas, a positive attitude, and a desire to have fun with others!

An important part of the camp experience is living simply and in harmony with the natural surroundings, so please leave smartwatches, tablets, electronic games, cell phones, and personal sports equipment at home – digital cameras are welcome!

### CAMP HUSTON PACKING LIST

Please make sure your name is on each item of clothing and equipment. There is no laundry facility, so pack enough clothing to last the entire camp session.

Warm sleeping bag	Swimsuit	Optional Items
Pillow	Warm pajamas	Face masks
Tennis shoes	Toiletry articles: towels, soap,	White t-shirt for tie-dye
Hiking boots or extra shoes	toothbrush, toothpaste,	(100% cotton, please)
Sweater/sweatshirt	comb, tissues, shampoo, etc	Pen, pre-addressed
Jacket	Flashlight with extra batteries	envelopes, writing paper,
Rain coat/poncho	Sunscreen	stamps
Underwear & socks (at least	Hat	Shower shoes / flip-flops
one pair for each day at camp)	Insect repellent	Sunglasses
Shirts	Water bottle	Daypack
Jeans/long pants		Bible
Shorts		Camera

### Items to Leave at Home:

Candy, gum, and food Money Any electronic devices such as cell phones and tablets Weapons, including pocket knives Pets or animals

#### SEE YOU THIS SUMMER!

Alida Garcia, EXECUTIVE Director, and Katie Sue Eichner, Program Director

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## **INFORMATION FOR PARENTS**

Camp will begin with check-in at 3:00pm on Sunday August 4, 2024  $\,$ 

The session will end after the 10am Closing Service on Saturday August 10, 2024

**Registration**: If you have any questions about your registration, please contact the Camp Registrar at <u>registrar@huston.org</u> or mail Camp Huston Registrar / PO Box 140 / Gold Bar, WA 98251 or phone (360) 793-0441.

**Check-in**: A staff member will direct you where to park. Restrooms are located in Curtis Lodge. Campers and parents/guardians will meet the registrar, the program director, the camp chaplain, and the camp nurse before heading to the cabins with a counselor. For camp tours, please keep an eye on our social media for tour opportunities prior to summer camp. Staff are ready and available to help throughout the check-in process.

Payment: Final payment and all completed forms are due at this time. You are responsible for the full camp fee, unless cancellation is made as described below. To make a payment; log in to the registration portal via www.huston.org; call the office to pay by credit card; or mail in a check payable to Diocese of Olympia. Please contact the Huston office (info@huston.org) for information on camper scholarships.

**Cancellation**: Cancellations must be received in writing 15 days before the session begins. We will refund your fee, less the \$75 deposit, if we receive written notice as requested. If you must cancel, please let us know as soon as possible, so that others may attend camp.

Health Form: Complete the online health form, or sign, and return both sides of the health form to Camp Huston before the beginning of the camp session. Be sure to sign the release for emergency medical treatment. Your camper will not be allowed to check in if this release is not signed. A physical exam within the past 6 months with a doctor's signature is recommended but not required. The signed and completed health form must be turned in online before your arrival. During camp, guardians will be contacted in the event of a health concern, illness, or injury that does not progress as expected, or a situation requiring medical treatment outside of camp. (Please make a copy of the signed medical form for your records.)

Medication: All prescription and non-prescription camper medications are collected by the camp nurse at check in, for your child's and everyone's safety. Medications and all non-prescription items (like vitamins, herbal supplements, pain relievers, creams, etc.) must be in the original containers, with the original label showing the camper's name and doctor's directions for administration. Make sure the medications are not expired. Our medical staff fully controls medication dispensing in accordance with the doctor's prescription. Pill boxes/organizers are not accepted. Be sure to pack enough for the entire camp session. Please have prescription and non-prescription medications such as vitamins, herbal supplements, pain relievers, creams, etc. readily available to hand in to the camp nurse at check in. Campers on psycho-therapeutic medication must be on the prescribed dose for a minimum of three months prior to arrival at camp.

<u>Inhalers</u>: Even if your camper doesn't frequently need their inhaler, please bring it! The environment and activities at camp can affect breathing differently than at home.

Communication from home: Letters, postcards, emails, and non-food care packages to campers are encouraged! Snacks are provided – please do not send food (candy, gum, etc.). Your camper will not need money, as there is no camp store. All campers receive a Camp Huston T-shirt on the last day of camp. Campers will not be called to the telephone, although arrangements can be made to talk to your camper in case of an emergency. Email may be sent to your camper at <a href="registrar@huston.org">registrar@huston.org</a> with your camper's full name in the subject box. Email will be delivered that day if received before 11am or the following day if received after 11am. Email send the last day of the session will not be delivered.

**Personal Property**: Camp Huston does not permit the possession or use of alcohol, drugs, or weapons. Personal sports equipment should be left at home. During the session, no personal vehicles are allowed into lower camp. The speed limit on camp property is 10mph. Animals are not permitted to stay at camp.

**Early dismissal**: In the event a camper must return home early, for a medical or behavioral reason; parents or guardians are responsible to pick up the camper immediately upon notification. Smoking is not permitted and possession of illegal drugs, alcohol, or weapons will result in immediate removal from camp. There is no refund for campers who must leave early.

If your child has any special needs or requires special attention in any way, please call us to see how we can set your child up for success. We want to provide the most enjoyable and rewarding experience possible. Thank you!