BELLEVUE/MERCER ISLAND YOUNG LIFE

Young Life Camp

Malibu, BC August 12th-18th

Wyldlife Camp

Washington Family Ranch - Creekside
July 26th-30th (Bellevue)
July 31st-August 4th (Mercer Island)

REGISTRATION OPENS JANUARY 13th

How to Register:

- 1. Go to our area's camp website
- 2. Find the camp you want to attend
- Click Register
- 4. Read confirmation emails fully to understand what happens next.

*After registration you will receive a notice that you are joining a waitlist. Don't Panic! Read below to understand why.

THE WAITLIST

<u>Everyone</u> that registers will be placed on the Waitlist. We will do a lottery between January 21-23 and will let you know if your child received a spot. It is <u>not</u> first come first serve.

We do a waitlist for 2 reasons....first, so that we avoid a "mad dash" to register online. Second, to assure that we have enough volunteer leaders to accommodate the number of kids that are registered.

If you do not get a spot on January 23rd, keep hope! It could mean that we are just working to find enough leaders. Or, it could mean we don't have enough space, but we

often have cancellations or are able to add spots later in the spring. So, hang in there and there's a good chance you'll still be able to go to camp.

If you register after January 23rd and we have available spots and leaders, your child will be let in ASAP.

PAYMENTS AND REFUNDS

When is the Deposit & Final Balance Due?

The deposit will be charged to your card AFTER you get off the waitlist.

The final balance is due the day before camp and your card will automatically be charged.

What is the Refund Policy?

The \$200 deposit is nonrefundable after March 1st. Additionally, \$300 will be charged to make a total of \$500 on April 1st which is nonrefundable. This is nonrefundable because after April 1st we are financially liable for camp costs.

Should you have to cancel your child's trip due to injury or illness 2 weeks or less before camp, we will issue a partial refund (50%).

If you need help financially...

We have a limited amount of scholarship money to help kids get to camp. Please reach out to us if you have a real need for help.

Does Young Life make money from camp?

Young Life does not make money off of camp fees. The cost is the actual cost of the trip. There is no profit made toward the organization.

GENERAL CAMP QUESTIONS

What is Young Life Camp?

During a week full of high adventure and fun, kids are given the chance to build strong friendships, hear the message of Jesus' unconditional love for them and have a mentoring friendship with their leader.

What is a Young Life Leader?

Young Life Leaders are caring local adults who have a desire to introduce local students to Jesus Christ and help them grow in their faith, not just at camp, but year round.

Can my child go to camp with Bellevue if we don't live there?

In Young Life, kids go to camp with the people they live by/go to school with. Therefore,

our dates are for kids that either live or go to school in Bellevue. There are other camp weeks for kids that live or go to school in other communities. Please reach out to us if you have any questions regarding this.

Who is my child's leader?

In Young Life, we do not have Camp Counselors. Leaders are volunteer adults in our community that will go to camp with our kids, and then come home and continue in that mentoring/friendship role throughout the school year.

Can I request roommates?

Cabins are gender specific and, for the most part, are broken up by school and grade. When registering, in the comments section, you can request roommates. Still, we can't promise that any two students will be in the same room, but we will do our best. We promise no matter where they sleep, they'll have fun!

How do kids get to camp? When and Where does the trip depart/return?

The kids and their leaders will travel to camp on charter coach buses, which are included in the cost of camp. We will communicate our departure locations and times at least 2 weeks prior to the trip via email.

How do camps handle allergies?

Please make sure any special dietary needs are noted on your health form. Camp can easily accommodate vegetarian, gluten free and common food allergies. However, if your child has a unique dietary need/allergy please let the Area office know so we can pass this information on to the Food Service Manager at camp.

How do I handle my child's medications?

List all medications on your child's health form. Upon trip departure, all medications should be packed in their original container, placed in a Ziploc bag, and labeled with the child's name and YL Area (WA44–Bellevue, or WA420–Mercer Island). Upon arrival, campers will check in their medications to the camp doctor for safe storage and administration. Emergency medication such as Epi-Pens, insulin for diabetics and inhalers may be kept by the camper.

What does my child need to bring?

Play clothes | Everyday clothes | Sweatshirt | Water Bottle | Beach Towel | Sunscreen | Toiletries | Swimsuit | Backpack | Spending Money for Snacks and Camp Store. *Final packing will be sent with departure details*

Is there a second timer policy?

Right now, second (and even third) timers are allowed to attend camp.. Students can go

back to camp as many times as they want, as long as there are spots available and Leaders to take them. However, in the lottery process preferential treatment will be given to first-timers if spots are limited.

Does my child need a passport?

If you're going to Malibu, you need your passport or an enhanced ID. If that's a problem, let us know ASAP.

How would I contact my child while they are at camp?

Due to the remote nature of our Young Life Camps, your student will not be reachable by mobile phone. If you need to connect with your child while at camp, you can call or email the property and someone will connect you with your child ASAP.

The links below will take you to each property's contact information page.

Contact Information:

Malibu Club

https://malibuclub.younglife.org/contact/

778-331-7944 (after hours emergency dial 5 when the machine picks up) malibuclub@malibu.younglife.org

Canyon - Washington Family Ranch

https://wfrcanyon.younglife.org/contact/

541-489-3100

wfr@wfr.younglife.org

Creekside - Washington Family Ranch

https://wfrcreekside.younglife.org/contact/

541-489-3100

wfr@wfr.younglife.org

2025 Bellevue/Mercer Island Young Life Camps

Young Life All Areas (High School)

Where: Malibu Club (Canada)

When: August 12th-18th

Price: \$1499

WyldLife All Areas (Middle School)

Where: Creekside - Washington Family Ranch

When: July 26th - July 30th (Bellevue)

July 31st - August 4th (Mercer Island)

Price: **\$999**

Please email bellevueyloffice@gmail.com if you would like to be added to our email list or if you have any questions this document hasn't answered!

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