Church of the Open Door VBS FAQs

Why do you keep asking what grade my child just completed?

While children will have just finished an academic year at school, our programs here at Church of the Open Door don't promote forward until August when the new school year starts. So please note in advance that we will always associate your child with the grade they JUST COMPLETED. Thanks in advance for your understanding and cooperation.

Will my child get to be with their friend at VBS?

All of our VBS participants travel around with their peers who just completed the same grade. Assuming their friends are in the same grade as them, yes they will be together. If they are in different grades, they won't rotate together, but they will have the same experiences that they can later talk about.

When will my child receive their T-shirt?

Most families will pick up their child's T-shirt at check-in on Monday morning, June 9th.

If you would prefer to pick up your child's t-shirt BEFORE the morning of VBS, you are welcome to join us on Sunday, June 8th. T-shirts will be available for pick up in the gym from 9:15-12:30 pm.

What does the schedule look like?

Every day starts and ends with all the kids together in the Worship Center for opening and closing programs. Between those two events, the kids rotate with others in their grade to six stations: story, music, snack, games, small group and crafts.

Can you tell me more about the 5th grade song?

We have a long-standing tradition for our 5th graders to do a special 5th grade dance at the closing program. The 5th graders will learn their dance during their music rotation. It's always the highlight of our family gathering on Friday.

Can my child bring stuff from home?

We ask that children do not bring anything with them to VBS. We provide a daily hearty snack and they stop by water stations as they rotate. We have found that water bottles and toys tend to be a distraction and always get left behind at a station. Snacks from home also present food allergy concerns for some of our guests. Thank you in advance for partnering with us in enforcing this.