

FAQ'S: CROSSROADS CAMP

Camp Specific Questions

1. Why are we going to Crossroads Camp this summer?

Summer camp for many students is such a pivotal experience in their faith journey. Many a student has given their life to Jesus on a trip like this and it changed their forward trajectory forever. We at Bethlehem Church understand that we are still in a pandemic, but we also understand that the role an opportunity like Summer Camp plays in life could be the very thing that tips the scales in trusting God. We may not take hundreds of students this year as a precaution, but the investment in those that will participate has the potential to make a big difference in their walk with Jesus.

2. Where is Crossroads Camp?

Crossroads Camp is located on the college campus of Anderson University in Anderson, South Carolina. Many college campuses find ways to rent out their facilities for experiences like this and Anderson University has been doing so for over a decade. It is located about 2 hours away from Bethlehem Church, and that is a huge incentive being within driving distance.

3. Does my student need extra spending money?

Yes. Like any camp experience, there are always opportunities to buy merch, extra food, knick-knacks, etc. This is not a requirement but is strongly suggested. Your student will not however need any money during the bus trips to & from Anderson University as it is only a 2-hour bus ride.

4. What is a day like at Crossroads Camp?

Crossroads will feature morning & night worship sessions, devotional times, team competitions packaged in creative ways (church specific), as well as free time during the afternoons. Food of course will be scattered throughout the day at the regular time frames (breakfast, lunch, & dinner).

5. What are the sleeping arrangements for Middle School/ High School?

All Middle School & High School boys & girls will be separated by age & gender. Because we are taking a smaller group this year, we will do our best to put friend groups together in rooms as best as possible. Students will be staying in college dorm rooms which typically house 4-6 students per.



6. What if parents need to pick up their kid(s) early?

With July 4 being right around the corner, we completely understand that this may be the case. If this is the case, please communicate that before attending Crossroads Camp and we can make a note of that. There will, however, be no refund given on any situations involving early pick-ups.

7. Where can I find a packing list for Crossroads Camp?

Packing lists will be automatically sent to families after registering student(s) for camp.

8. Who do I call in case of emergency?

This will be discussed further during the parent meeting before going to Crossroads Camp. The date of that meeting will be Sunday, June 20th at 1pm in the south venue of our 316 Campus.

9. What time is drop-off/ pick up?

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10. What security measures are being taken at the camp outside of CV-19 protocols?

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11. As a parent, how do I find out more information about Crossroads Camp?

Check out <https://www.crossroadssummercamp.com/about> for more information.

12. What is the future plan for Student Ministry Camps/ Retreats?

Bethlehem Church is a Multi-Campus Church. Therefore, the Student Ministry (Bethlehem Students) operates similarly. As a result, something we realized before the pandemic was that our retreat/camp experiences were going to need to shift from being 1 campus-minded or 1 county (Barrow) minded, to multi-campus minded. Therefore, Bethlehem Students is going to start offering it's own Summer Camp experience moving forward and multiple Missions opportunities in the future. More information will come out on this in the summer of 2021, but our plan is to launch this opportunity in Summer 2022 for 211, Oconee, & 316 Campuses in the Student Ministry (Middle School & High School).



Covid-19 Specific Questions

Note: These **ARE NOT** requirements of Bethlehem Church or Bethlehem Students, but instead safety measures Anderson University is putting into place as a precaution.

13. What kind of testing will be required for my student(s) / other students to go to Crossroads Camp on June 28-July 2?

Crossroads Camp, which is utilizing the Anderson University Campus in Anderson, South Carolina, is following campus guidelines in relation to protocols & testing. Therefore, in order to promote safety & adhere to CDC Guidelines in South Carolina, **Crossroads Camp is specifically asking** that one of the following three measures has occurred before attending their camp:

- o A student has received a CV-19 specific vaccination (both shots).
- o A student has previously had Covid-19.
- o A student has been tested and received a negative test result within 3 days of attending Crossroads Camp (so on or between June 25-27).

14. Will there be a mask protocol for the week of camp?

Yes, while masks have been encouraged, but not required at Bethlehem Church, **we will be following the protocols put in place by Anderson University which requires mask-wearing during the week of camp. This will be on the packing list as a reminder.**

15. What happens if someone at camp in our group shows symptoms of Covid-19 exposure?

If this was to occur, **Crossroads Camp & Anderson University have asked for the following:**

- Quarantine the student in a safe & appropriate fashion
- Ask the parent(s)/ guardian(s) of the student showing symptoms to come pick up their student *that day*.
- Encourage testing as a precaution
- Lastly, take said student home to adhere to CDC Guidelines and adhere to their 10-day quarantine suggestion.

In addition, we would determine who from the group was exposed / in direct contact via contact tracing and potentially send additional student(s) home as well. Determining factors would be based on if they had already been vaccinated, or already had Cv-19 previously, or what kind of proximity people were involved in.



16. What happens if someone in my student(s) room contracts CV-19 or shows signs of CV-19?

In years past, we would find many alternative ways to accommodate families if a student was to get sick at camp. This year, however, we have been asked to honor Anderson University and their guidelines for students on their campus and their current policy is that anyone who contracts Covid-19 or shows symptoms while on school/campus grounds must quarantine in an area off-site until healthy.

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For those who were in the rooms with said student(s), if the remaining students had been vaccinated or had already had CV-19, current **Anderson University policies** would allow students to remain at the camp and continue their experience.

For those who have not been vaccinated, or had CV-19 prior, we would quarantine the student(s), get a parent/guardian to pick them up, encourage testing on the way home, and then encourage a 10-day quarantine as suggested. All of this would be precautionary, but Anderson University & the camp representatives are taking no chances with students, leaders, & staff leader's health.

17. What is the cancellation policy if my student is signed up for Crossroads Camp, but has a positive test days before attending camp?

Upon registration, a non-refundable deposit was submitted to hold your student's place on the trip. At worst, you could lose your deposit, but you would receive back the rest of your payment. At best, we would give your spot to the next person up on our *Waiting List* and you would get a full – refund.

18. What happens if the Crossroads Camp is canceled altogether at the last minute?

We are praying for God's favor and that this will not be the case, but if it was to occur, we would give all families back their payments minus the non-refundable deposit (\$75). Crossroads has made it clear that they are not refunding anything on their end if this was to happen, but normally, refunding a certain amount of a student's payment would be a standard protocol and we want to continue honoring that at Bethlehem Church & Bethlehem Student Ministry.

