

HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER
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LOCAL
6.7.21-6.11.21



INFO PACKET



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2021 SH SUMMER SERVE LOCAL EXPERIENCE INFO SHEET

The pandemic continue to impact our normal summer youth ministry programming. We are preparing a number of experiences this summer in hopes of remaining flexible and nimble in the face of an ever-changing landscape surrounding this virus. One of these is our SH Summer Serve Local Experience. THIS WILL ONLY HAPPEN IF THE SH Mission Trip to Hosanna Industries is CANCELLED.

WHAT IS THE SH SUMMER SERVE EXPERIENCE?

This experience is a five-day opportunity to gather with other young people from our church family and serve in a variety of capacities...locally all while experiencing as much of our SH Mission Trip culture as possible. We will be partnering with a variety of agencies and churches to arrange for projects and experiences that will allow us to do as much good as we possibly can in one short week.

WHAT WILL WE BE DOING?

We will be doing all sorts of stuff – big and small - to help those in this community. It could be anything from painting a house to cleaning a beach, from serving a community meal to tending to a community garden. It could anything from building bunk beds to sorting food, from playing games with children to making care bags for those in addiction recovery. To say there will be a lot of variety to what we do...that's putting it mildly.

WHAT COVID-19 REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS WILL BE IN PLACE?

Our church council along with our COVID Advisory Team will be actively involved in any decisions surrounding these trips. We are utilizing recommendations from the American Camping Association (www.acacamps.org) for procedures, directives and strategies to hold this experience in the safest way possible. Your children's safety and well-being is our number one concern. We will have much more information regarding this as we get closer to the summer.

WILL THERE BE ANYTHING FUN TO DO?

Of course! You will find us playing games and doing giveaways and laughing a lot throughout the week. The real fun comes when you realize the impact you are having in serving others. The real fun comes when you begin to forge relationships you never knew you were missing. I guarantee you one thing...you will have a LOT of fun.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE IN THIS EXPERIENCE?

Our SH Summer Serve Local Experience is open to all students currently in grades 9-13. That's right 13. All students who graduated High School in 2020 are invited to be part of this experience as well. There is a limited amount of spots for our 13th graders. Don't miss out! You do NOT have to be a member of our church or a member of any church to attend this trip.

WHEN IS THIS EXPERIENCE?

This experience will run daily from 11:30AM – 10:00PM, Monday, June 7th – Friday, June 11th. We are asking all participants to commit to participating for the entire experience. Not leaving for a baseball game. Not coming after work. Not tonight because I have to babysit. Please treat this like we are on the other side of the country and none of those things would be possible.

HOW MUCH WILL THIS EXPERIENCE COST?

This experience will cost \$200 for church members and \$300 for non-church members. The cost will include two meals each day, transportation to and from jobsites, a t-shirt, guidebook, project materials and much more. A \$100, non-refundable deposit is due by March 1st, 2021 to secure your spot. All balances must be paid in FULL by May 1, 2021. Checks may be made payable to *Avon Lake United Church of Christ*. DO NOT let cost affect your decision to go on this trip or not. If you are concerned about the cost, please contact Nate privately and we can discuss your concerns.

HOW WILL WE GET TO AND FROM OUR PROJECTS?

Our team of Serve Local Leaders will drive students to and from projects throughout the week. Students are NOT permitted to drive themselves or others to or from projects.

WHAT WILL WE DO FOR FOOD?

Our Food Crew team will be preparing our meals each and every day of the experience. You will not go hungry. Trust me.

WHO WILL CHAPERON THIS EXPERIENCE?

This year's SH Summer Serve Local Experience will be chaperoned and led by our Director of Youth Ministries, Nate Taylor and a team of 26 other adult members of our church.

WHAT FORMS DO I NEED TO FILL OUT TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS EXPERIENCE?

Currently there are three forms that we need to have completed for your participation. We will possibly be adding a COVID-19 waiver closer to the experience as well. All of these links will be available in our weekly email as well.

Students currently in grades 9-12 Please fill out the following forms:

__2021 ALUCC SH Summer Serve Local Experience Registration Form – NOTE: This form is ONLY for High School Students

<https://avonlakeucc.breezechms.com/form/shsummerservelocal21>

__2020-21 ALUCC Registration & Waiver/Release Form:

<https://avonlakeucc.breezechms.com/form/waypointymregistration2021>

__2021 Summer Serve Local Experience Emergency Consent Form – NOTE: Please wait until May to complete

<https://avonlakeucc.breezechms.com/form/servelocalemergencyconsent21>

Students who graduated High School in 2020 Please fill out the following forms:

__2021 ALUCC Young Adult Summer Serve Local Experience Registration Form – NOTE: This form is ONLY for students who graduated high school in 2020...AKA 13th graders. SPACE IS VERY LIMITED.

<https://avonlakeucc.breezechms.com/form/youngadultservelocal21>

__2021 Summer Serve Local Experience Emergency Consent Form – NOTE: Please wait until May to complete

<https://avonlakeucc.breezechms.com/form/servelocalemergencyconsent21>

WHAT DO I NEED TO DO TO SIGN-UP FOR THIS EXPERIENCE?

There a number of things you need to do to participate in this years' experience. The first and most important is to pray about this opportunity. Are you ready and willing to serve God and the people in our community? Next you will need to do the following:

1. Complete all of the forms required to go on the trip.
2. Turn in your \$100, non-refundable deposit by March 1st, 2021
3. Sign-up a minimum of 2 teams for our Cabin Fever Cornhole Tournament
4. Help us spread the word about a possible Buffalo Wild Wings or Salad Kraze fundraiser.
5. Attend church and Sr. High on a regular basis
6. Get ready for an awesome experience!

12th Annual Cabin Fever Cornhole Tournament

On Saturday, May 15, 2021 we will be hosting our 12th Annual Cabin Fever Cornhole Tournament. The event is a one-day fundraiser that brings in over \$12,000 for our SH Mission Trip each year. The tournament has grown to one of the largest tournaments in NE Ohio. In order for this event's continued success we rely on the help of our mission trip students and families. This help comes in many shapes and forms including, but not limited, to the following:



PLAY: The best and easiest way to help make this event a success is to play in the tournament and get others to play in the tournament. Every team that plays is a big help to the overall outcome of this fundraiser. Every student going on this summer's trip is required to have two teams play in the tournament.

DONATE: There are two types of donations we need specifically – items for our concession stand and items for our silent auction. Our silent auction depends on the donations of tickets to events, goods, services, items of value, autographs, rentals, etc. in order to generate the money they do every year. If you have something that you would like to donate to our silent auction please contact – Kim Kramhoeller at kawtoon@aol.com. We have sponsorship & donation packets available that have everything you should need for someone interested in making a donation. Regarding our concession stand we are in need of an assortment of items that can be found on our Sign-Up Genius page. You can find the link further down on this sheet. For more information please contact Katie Schulz at schulz311@hotmail.com.

SPONSOR: Another stream of income for this event is our invitation to local businesses and organizations to be a part of this event through our event sponsorship program. There are several different opportunities for your company to be a part of this year's event. You can sponsor a playing court, an entire room of playing courts, the team number bibs, and the World Record Shot, among many others. Sponsorships range in cost from \$250 - \$1,500. For more information on how you can become an event sponsor, please contact Nate Taylor at nate@avonlakeucc.org.

VOLUNTEER: In order to run an event of this size it requires a lot of volunteers. Another opportunity for you to help out at this year's event is to sign-up to volunteer. We have several different volunteer opportunities including; concessions, registration, tournament central, set-up and tear down, game wardens, runners, texting team, world record shot, greeters, silent auction, 50/50 raffle team and more. For more information please see visit our Sign-Up Genius page here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E044AA4A728A20-12th1>.

For more information about volunteering opportunities, please contact Beth Gee at bfische1@yahoo.com.

IMPORTANT DATES:

February 21, 2021	Registration Opens
April 18, 2021	Earlybird Registration Deadline – price goes up \$10 after this date
May 9, 2021	Tournament Registration Deadline
May 15, 2021	12 th Annual Cabin Fever Cornhole Tournament

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

www.avonlakeucc.org/cornhole
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nate@avonlakeucc.org



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ITINERARY & PACKING LIST

DAILY ITINERARY:

11:30AM	Check-In/Registration				
12:00PM	Lunch & Announcements				
1:00PM	Depart for service projects				
5:00PM	Return from service projects				
5:45PM	Dinner Pre-Show				
6:00PM	Dinner				
7:00PM	Free Time				
	Bonfire	Volleyball	Ping-Pong Tournament	Kickball	
	Happygrams	Gaga Ball	Euchre Tournament	Throw Throw Burrito	
8:30PM	Worship				
9:30PM	Small Groups				
10:00PM	Depart				

PACKING LIST:

We recommend putting these items in a small backpack to keep with you. You will not be permitted to go home and come back. Pack for the entire day. We will do our best to inform you what projects you will be working on the night before.

WORK CLOTHES – Clothes you don't care about. Avoid brand name logos. Dress modestly and dress for the job and weather.

WORK GLOVES

WATER BOTTLE – A MUST!

SUNGLASSES

SUNSCREEN

RAIN COAT (we work in all weather)

TOILETRIES & PERSONAL HYGIENE ITEMS

DEODORANT – Avon Lake U.C.C. Mission Trip Law Section 3-D4368

CHANGES OF CLOTHING FOR EVENINGS

SWEATSHIRT or LIGHT JACKET

FACE MASK

HAND SANITIZER

SPORTS EQUIPMENT (baseball glove, lacrosse stick) *at own risk

WHAT NOT TO BRING:

- Live Animals -Weapons of Any Kind -Illegal Drugs, Alcohol or any controlled substances
- Bad Attitude -Jet Ski -Any hope of winning the ping pong tournament

NOTE: Per my policy, I will not comment on possible weather conditions, temperatures, traditional June weather, fronts, systems or any other form of meteorology. For your assistance I recommend www.weather.com or www.weatherbug.com.

DAILY THEMES:

MONDAY - Funny Shirt Day	WEDNESDAY – Mission Trip Shirt Day	FRIDAY – Red, White & Blue Day
TUESDAY – Cleveland Day	THURSDAY – Throwback Thursday	



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GOALS & COVENANT

GOALS:

1. Grow – Our hope is that over the course of this experience you will be able to grow as a person and as a Christian. We hope that this week will provide you with more clarity on this thing we call life and how you are a vital part of the picture and how you fit into God's big, awesome design.
2. Serve – This is not a vacation. Our number one priority while we are together is to help the people of our community in any way we possibly can. This requires a change in mindset and a realization that first and foremost we are here to serve and secondly to have a ridiculously good time.
3. Connect – There are 100 of us from our church gathering together this week. One of our goals is that each of you would be able to connect with others from our church, that you would step out of your comfort zones to make some new friends, and that you would develop a network of connections of other awesome people who enjoy serving Jesus.
4. Seek – Each and every night we are going to provide you with a chance to participate in a worship experience. During this dedicated time, when we pray before meals, when we pray at the start of a new workday, and countless other times during our time together we hope that you will make it a point to thank God for making all of this possible.
5. Have Fun – Finally we want to destroy the stereotype that serving Jesus and having fun are two completely different things. We hope that you will make a point to laugh a lot, to sing, to whistle while you work and enjoy yourselves and your time with us immensely. We take pride in ensuring that among the very few things we can guarantee, you having fun is one of the most important.

COVENANT:

1. I will respect everyone and everyone's belongings. I will respect their views, their privacy, their space, and their right to be here.
2. I will refrain from using any drugs, alcohol, or illegal substances.
3. I will not use undesirable or foul language.
4. I will respect the places we visit and leave them in better shape than when I arrived.
5. I will be respectful of the people we meet, their way of life, and their beliefs.
6. I will make time daily for God.
7. I will participate in all activities, work projects, and daily chores.
8. I will use discretion and common sense in my attire. I understand that shirts must be worn at all times. I will refrain from wearing clothing that expresses alcohol/beer slogans or obscenities.
9. I will avoid gossiping, criticizing, or starting rumors.
10. I will not engage in gambling, betting or wagering on anything throughout the duration of the trip.
11. I understand that on a trip like this, things can change often. I will be flexible, understanding and willing to "go with the flow." *Semper Gumby.™*
12. I will do my best to represent myself, my church, my community, my family and Jesus in the best way possible.
13. I will be aware of our schedule and will be on time.
14. I will have a large, ridiculous amount of fun!
15. I will do everything possible to attend all meetings, fundraisers, and other events required for my participation in this trip.
16. I understand that failure to comply with this covenant will result in disciplinary action that does not exclude being sent home from this experience without a refund.



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