

Camp Ida-Haven February Newsletter

If your children are too old for camp, or you no longer want to receive emails from us, please respond to this message with "UNSUBSCRIBE".

It is time to think of summer!

We now have the activity schedule and descriptions on the website for our upcoming camp season. These are listed on the homepage (www.idahaven.org), the second link from the left (summer camp). The following list shows the registration information for each day and age group.

Each day starting at **7:00 a.m.** will be dedicated to the registration of a particular week of camp:

Registration Day	Camp	Ages	Camp Dates	
Sunday	March 5	Cub Camp	ages 8-10	June 25-July 2
Monday	March 6	Junior Camp	ages 10, 11	July 2-9
Tuesday	March 7	Tween Camp	ages 11-13	July 9-16
Wednesday	March 8	Between Camp	ages 11-13	July 16-23
Thursday	March 9	Earliteen Camp	ages 12-14	July 23-30
Friday	March 10	Teen Camp	ages 14, 15	July 30-August 6

ONLINE REGISTRATION PROCESS

Between now and the day of registration, you will need to go online and check your account to make sure everything is accurate and create/update your medical and consent forms. You can access these forms from "Document Center" when you are logged into your account.

The morning of Online Registration you will be best prepared if you are on the website and ready to "make a reservation" at 7:00 a.m. If you have more than one child to register for the same week of camp, you will want to have two people logged in to your account, each one registering one child.

Camp fills quickly. When you log on and get a reservation spot, you will be assured of a camp reservation. Proceed through each screen to pick your activities, which will fill and disappear in real time (so be quick), pick your cabin, and pay for your reservation. Typically the most mistakes occur at the payment step with credit card information entered incorrectly. If you have any problems, call us immediately as we can monitor your progress on our system and help get you back on track.

WAITING LISTS

If you don't get a spot, please put your child on the waiting list **as quickly as you can**. We will work through the waiting list in the following weeks. Many who were on the waiting list last year eventually got into camp due to others' cancellations.

CANCELLATIONS

If you need to cancel a reservation, **PLEASE call** us or go to your account and cancel your reservation **as soon as you determine your plans**. Last year we had quite a few cancellations at the last minute which made it difficult for us to fill any vacant spots as campers on the waiting list had already made other plans for that week.

ACTIVITIES

Please review the activity schedule on the website as some are offered each of the five periods (archery and watersports) while others are only offered one period (robotics, golf, string crafts and guitar). For the two period classes, please be sure to select both periods:

Challenge Course	All Camps	Periods 1&2, 4&5
Advanced Watersports	Tween – Teen Camps	Periods 1&2

If your preferred activity is not available, we are planning to have a waiting list for activities that you can choose from. However, it is in your child's best interest to have an alternative activity chosen. If an activity becomes available that you chose on the waitlist, the system will automatically move you to that spot and send you an email update. If you wish to change your activities, you can login to your account anytime to see what is available and make changes.

Last year we tried to streamline the registration process by moving rafting signups to later in the Spring. It worked so well that we are going to do it again this year, so please don't be concerned when you do not see rafting as an option. We will email you by camp when we start registration for rafting. Just a reminder, it is an all-day trip one day of the week, and it is free of charge.

FINANCES AND FEES

In an effort to keep camp affordable, we still only have three activities with extra fees. Advanced Watersports offers longer training time with limited numbers in a boat for two hours (\$50 extra). Jet Skiing gives you time to learn balance and use a stand up ski (\$30 extra). The extra fee for Model Rocketry will cover the materials used (\$20 extra). We have tried to limit the cost by only raising fees this year by \$10 in spite of the increased costs of fuel and food.

The Basic Fee for 2016 Camps	\$430.00
Idaho Conference SDA Constituents	\$380.00

SCHOLARSHIPS

If you are interested in a scholarship to help with your child's reservation fee, first you will need to make a reservation and pay a minimum deposit (\$50), and then we will assess the funds available. Last year, thanks to many of you, we had enough funds available and were able to offer half scholarships to those who expressed a need for them. You should also check with your local churches as they may have funds available for such things. We want to give a big thank you to the many people who took the time to make an online gift to the scholarship fund.

In June we will send an email about the registration check-in process when you arrive at camp. Hopefully this will answer any questions you might have regarding camp time issues and activities.

You are very important to us, and we are excited about the great summer season ahead of us. We are constantly trying to improve the staff, program, and the facilities for your benefit and His glory. Thank you for trusting us with your children.

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