

What is Vacation Bible Camp?

Vacation Bible Camp is a fun Scripture learning experience where youth gain valuable tools to use every day. Young people are able to learn leadership skills, responsibility, and team work.

It is important to remember that as a member of the Vacation Bible Camp team you are not only representing yourself, but also Christ the King Catholic Church, the Diocese of Phoenix, and most importantly, Jesus Christ. Vacation Bible Camp team members are expected to live their faith and be a positive example to others of what it means to be a Catholic.

Application for Teen Assistants

The process for applying to serve on the Vacation Bible Camp team begins with completing this application. The application will then be carefully read by the VBC team and all new applicants are responsible for attending an interview after their application has been reviewed and they have been contacted.

Who May Apply?

Any student entering grades 7 - 12 in the Fall of 2017, and who is available the week of camp: **June 5-June 9, 2017**

*Please note: VBC Teen Assistant Applications must be returned to the Parish Office no later than **Friday, May 12, 2017**.

Commitment, Dedication and Selection Process

Vacation Bible Camp Teen Assistants must be committed. Teen Assistants are responsible for the entire week of VBC and 2 hours of decoration the Sunday prior to the first day. Unfortunately, we cannot allow teens to volunteer only some days/hours during the week as it is disruptive to the youth attending. **Teens MUST commit to the full week.** Do not schedule any doctor, dentist, orthodontist appointments, personal appointments, etc. before 1:30 p.m. on the week you are volunteering at VBC.

The time commitments of Teen Assistants include:

- Arrival for 8am mass each day, followed by the scheduled 9am-12:15pm camp.
- Dismissal at 1 p.m. each day (clean up/prep takes place after the campers leave each day.)

Vacation Bible Camp New Team Member Application

Youth Information

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Telephone/cell: _____ Email: _____

Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____ School: _____ Grade in 2017-2018 _____

ADULT T-Shirt Size (circle one): Small Medium Large Extra Large

Parent Information

Mother/Father's Name: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Role Descriptions

- **Group Assistant:** As a Group Assistant, you will be assigned to one particular Group/Group Leader to help lead the children through different centers all day/week. You will be with the same group all week.

- **Activities Assistant:** As an Activities Assistant, you will be responsible for assisting a Center Leader in one of the centers all day/week (Arts & Crafts, Active Games, Snacks). You will be in the same center all week.

- **Photographer:** As a Photographer, you will be responsible for taking photos throughout the camp all day/week. You **MUST** have your own camera that takes quality pictures – no cell phone cameras! You must be able to work independently.

- **Skits/music:** As a skits/music participant, you will be responsible for playing a role in the daily skit, held during opening and/or closing ceremonies, AND leading the children in daily songs during opening/closing ceremonies. You will be required to memorize lines and practice/perform daily skits, act/sing in front of a large group, and dress up in the provided costumes as needed.

Which role description best describes how you want to help this summer (Circle one):

Group Assistant

Activities Assistant

Photographer

Skits/music

VBC Teen Assistant Questionnaire

1. Why do you want to be a member of the Vacation Bible Camp team? How did you first learn about VBC?
2. What do you think it means to be a leader of faith?
3. What gifts has God given you that will help you to be a good Teen Assistant and/or a good leader?
4. Please list any parish activities that you have participated in, or any parish groups that you are involved in (example: Jr. High EDGE, LifeTeen, Choir, Altar Server, volunteer, etc.):

Parent Recommendation

**While it is only necessary for one parent to complete this form, we welcome the input of both parents.*

Parent Name(s):

1. Do you feel that your son/daughter would make a good member of the Vacation Bible Camp team? Why?

2. What do you feel his/her gifts are?

3. What do you feel his/her areas of improvement are?

4. Vacation Bible Camp requires a time commitment. The team will meet each morning promptly at 8:00 a.m. for morning mass, and will stay for clean-up/next-day prep until 1pm. Can you commit to supporting your teen in fulfilling these requirements?

I/We give my permission and support for to apply to be a member of the Vacation Bible Camp team for the summer of 2017.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Vacation Bible Camp Guidelines

Teen Assistants

All Vacation Bible School team members are expected to act in a Christ-like manner at all times. This includes:

- No inappropriate language
- No roughhousing or “play-fighting”
- Keeping your hands to yourself at all times
- No teasing or ridiculing anyone
- Appropriate and modest dress is required. Jeans and shorts are permitted, but they must be of a modest length. No skirts.
- Tennis/athletic shoes are required. No sandals, flip-flops, or open-toed shoes.
- Please remember that at all times you are representing Christ the King Catholic Church, the Diocese of Phoenix, and most importantly, Jesus Christ.
- Parents will discuss these guidelines with their child and reinforce the necessity of proper Catholic Christian behavior at all times.
- Parents agree to pick up their teen from Vacation Bible Camp if any inappropriate behavior is reported.

I agree to follow all of the above guidelines.

Teen Signature: _____ Date _____

I/We agree that my/our child will follow all of the above guidelines.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____