

# FBC STUDENTS

SEPTEMBER '25 NEWSLETTER

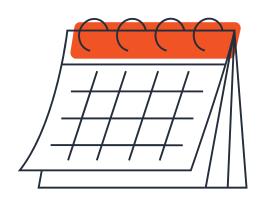
## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Sept. 13: Carowinds

Oct. 17-19: Fall Retreat

Nov. 23 - Wingsgiving

Dec. 7 - Student min. Christmas Party









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## **WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

HS Girls D-Group - Tuesdays, 7:15 am, Chickfil-A

HS Boys D-Group - Thursdays, 7:05 am, CFA

MS Boys D-Group - Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm

MS Girls D-Group - Wednesday, 7-8 pm

Sunday school - Sundays, 9 am

Student Night - Sundays, 6:30-8 pm

## **CAROWINDS**

We are going to Carowinds on Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup> for a day of fun!



We will leave the church at 8:50 a.m. on the 13<sup>th</sup>, eat lunch in the park, and dinner on the way home. We should get back to FBC around 9:00 p.m. Saturday night. The cost is \$40, plus money for lunch and dinner.

To sign up, go to our website and click events, then youth Carowinds and follow the prompts to sign up. The deadline is September 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **FALL RETREAT**

We have our fall retreat approaching! The weekend is October 17-19, and we are returning to Look-up Lodge in Travelers Rest!



This is always a great time of fellowship, time in the Word together, and a great weekend at the Lodge. If you have registered your students, be on the lookout soon for more information about leave time that Friday, a schedule for the weekend, etc.

If you did not register your students, all of the spots have been claimed. However, please let me know if your students would like to come. I will start a waitlist and see if I can get more spots!



## STUDENT MINISTRY HAPPENINGS

It has been a great start to the new school year here at FBC. It has been great having our Student Night start back. I want to make sure you are aware of a couple of changes to our student night this year:

First, the time is different. We are now meeting from 6:30-8:00 p.m. after AWANA finishes. This allows us to have lots more space, and have the gym available, every week. We have had between 70-80 students each week this fall (which is amazing!) and so this time change allows us to serve all of the students well that are coming each week.

Second, the number of students we have, and the added space we have, has allowed us to split middle school and high school groups for game and teaching times each week. Playing any game with 80 students is difficult. Splitting them allows them to have fun each week, and then spend time studying the Word in age appropriate ways for middle and high school students. With that, we have a fantastic group of volunteers on Sunday nights that are going to serve in a rotation facilitating the teaching time each week.

Finally, we still will be providing food each week for the students, but it will not be a full dinner as in years past. The later start means students can hopefully eat before they come if they wish. We will always have a treat or snack for them though!

Another new thing starting soon is a middle school boys discipleship group! Jonathan Ayres has decided to start this, and I am so excited about it. This group will meet from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at FBC every Wednesday night, starting next week, September 10<sup>th</sup>. This is a first try at the time for the group! We know there are always conflicts, but we can adjust a little bit if need be! If your middle school boy would like to join this group, simply drop them off next Wednesday evening at the church at 6:30!

We are excited about how God is moving at FBC, and in the lives of so many of our students. We have students growing in their faith, signing up to volunteer and be involved in different ministries, and leading by example with their peers. It is great to see, and we want to continue to equip them for the work of ministry the Lord has for them right now, and prepare them for what He has for them in the future.

## **HELPFUL LINKS**

Our hope is to consistently resource and equip you as parents to make disciples in your homes. Below are some recent blogs, etc. we have stumbled across that might be helpful to you and encourage you!

#### 5 Myths About Parenting:

https://www.crossway.org/articles/5-myths-about-parenting/?mc cid=4a5b5848fa&mc eid=45bf2ad5f5

#### Redeeming the Time This New School Year:

https://women.pcacdm.org/redeeming-the-time-this-new-school-year/

#### You Become What You Read:

https://www.desiringgod.org/articles/you-become-what-you-read

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**FBC Sumter Students** 



We have a message on the GroupME app called, "FBC Student Parents." If you aren't on this message, please email Kevin or Emma to be added!