

MS Mission Trip FAQ Questions 2024

Where is the Mission Trip this year?

- **Church of the Cross Presbyterian Church** at 5901 Millfair Road Fairview, PA 16415 (www.cotc.org) (about 65 minutes up I-79 and then one exit west off of I-90)

When is the Mission Trip this year?

- **6 pm Sunday, July 7th – 10 am Thursday, July 11th** (participants should eat dinner BEFORE being dropped off at church on Sunday—thanks!)

How do I sign up?

-Contact Luke Fugate (814)771-4643 lfugate@eastmainpc.org; **please sign up by Sunday, June 2** if at all possible 😊

What is the cost?

-Cost for all meals (except one), transportation, and living space, is no more than **\$225/student**

What time do I drop my child off? In what area/building?

-Drop off is **6 pm on Sunday, July 7th @ the Fellowship Hall drive thru**

When do I pick my child up? Where?

-Pick up is **10 am on Thursday, July 11th @ the Fellowship Hall drive thru**

Who will be there volunteering with my child?

-**Various church parents and volunteers**, such as middle and high school small group leaders plus Luke Fugate and Tracy Jackson

What will be transportation for the trip? When? How long? With whom? Where are they going?

-Students will be taken in a **12-passenger rental van and large SUVs** driven by leaders to Erie and then each day for projects and adventures.

-Projects will take place in the **local area of Erie**. Other offsite events will include going to the beach as well as visiting Tracy Jackson's parents' house for pool time/dinner. ALL EVENTS will take place in Erie and will be led by leaders. ****One evening we will eat out at an area restaurant.**

What clothes and supplies should my child bring?

-**Work clothes, casual clothes, swimwear for a week. PJs, sweatshirts, sweatpants** (it gets cold in Erie!) and **multiple towels (beach/bath)**. Check email for packing list!

What are the sleeping arrangements?

-Students will be sleeping in the Church's gym, where boys and girls will sleep in **SEPARATE lofts**. Pictures available in the email! Please bring inflatable mattresses/sheets/blankets/pillows, etc.

Will there be showers?

-Yes! The boy's shower is open so feel free to bring a swimsuit for that purpose. Girl's showers have curtains.

What food/drink should/can my child bring?

-**All meals are provided** (except one meal for eating out). Snacks and drinks to share are encouraged but not required. The **church has a full kitchen** so breakfast will be at the church. Cold beverages, etc., can be stored at the church. Lunch will be sandwiches, etc.

What if my child needs to do something for home/work/sports during the weekend?

-Since last year was so close to home, students were freer to come and go as needed. With this year's trip being in Erie, **we discourage students from coming and going**. Necessities may be accommodated, so contact Luke Fugate.

What can my child bring for downtime?

-While there will probably not be a lot of downtime, feel free to bring small items for outdoor fun or a game to share. There are ballfields and spaces to run at the church.

What will my child be working on?

-students will be working with **Wesley United Methodist Church** in Erie with their Summer Lunch Bunch program, helping to prepare and serve meals for local kids, as well as working with the church to clean outdoor areas for the local elderly.

What permission forms are there or other forms for the weekend?

-All necessary forms are included in the email. Contact Luke Fugate with any additional questions.

Whom do I contact if there is an emergency?

-You can contact Luke Fugate @ (814)-771-4643 or Tracy Jackson (724)-974-8350