

We are so thrilled that your child will attend Dynamos! The following is information that should not be shared with your child because we have a few surprises in store.

**Camp Arrival**: Sponsors of candidates (candidates are students attending for the first time) are responsible for helping to make arrangements for candidates to arrive at Camp Suwannee, Dowling Park, FL, between 7-7:30pm on Friday of camp weekend. Students should have eaten dinner before being dropped off. Feel free to contact your candidate's sponsor to discuss dropoff if you have not heard from them yet.

Closing Eucharist/Camp Departure: You should pick your child up on Sunday afternoon of camp weekend, at Camp Suwannee. Please arrive by 2:30pm and join us for Closing Eucharist at 3pm. We should conclude by 5pm. Please do not bring children who have not been to Dynamos or similar retreats to Closing Eucharist.

Charismata (letters): The candidate's sponsor will be asking you to help collect "Charismata" letters for the candidate. These letters should be written expressions of love and support for your child as he/she enters into a new part of life and personal walk with Christ. Please know that these letters are important - they are a central part of the weekend. Please work to collect as many as you can, even over email; place letters in a closed bag/envelope of some sort. You can send it with the sponsor or secretly drop it off to an adult when you arrive. They will know what it is and where to put it.

**Packing List**: Below is a packing list, as well as a list of items your child should <u>not</u> bring to Dynamos. Please make sure that your child does not bring any valuables on the weekend. One of the goals of the retreat is to build community; and to facilitate that, we want to limit distractions that can be caused by the items listed.

**Directions**: Please refer to the provided map of the Village; in the lower left corner - see the Orange square indicating where drop off is on Friday night. For check-in, you will see the welcome table where we will receive your child Friday evening. On Sunday afternoon, the yellow circle and red arrow indicate the parking area for the closing service. Park within this yellow circle, or at the adjacent Village Square/Lodge (#1 on the map legend) and then follow signs to walk to the closing service held in Ecclesia at Camp Suwannee.

Dynamos is going to be awesome. We are so glad that you and your child are going to be a part of it.

Dynamos Steering Committee Gulf Atlantic Diocese The Anglican Church in North America



## **Dynamos Packing List**

- Bible, notebook and pen
- Sleeping bag or sheets/blanket for a twin bed
- Pillow
- Casual clothing
- Shoes
- Light jacket/sweatshirt
- Towel/Shower shoes
- Personal toiletries (toothbrush, soap, deodorant, etc.)
- Bug spray and flashlight
- Rain jacket/poncho
- All of your things should fit into **one** clearly labeled duffle bag or suitcase
- **Note**: please pack bedding/pillow on top of bag/suitcase, or in a separate bag clearly marked

**<u>DO NOT BRING LIST</u>**: Non-prescription drugs, alcohol, tobacco, weapons, knives, fireworks, **and any personal electronics** (including iPads, cell phones, or laptops).

The following rules apply as part of the Dynamos candidate code of conduct. These are non-negotiable rules, the violation of which could lead to a candidate's leaving Dynamos early.

- The possession of any item on the DO NOT BRING list is not permitted. If any of these items are discovered, they will be taken and returned at the end of the weekend. Since they serve no positive purpose on the weekend itself, please leave them at home.
- Practical jokes, pranks, fighting, cursing, or put-downs will not be tolerated.
- Boys are not permitted in girls' rooms nor girls in boys' rooms. Inappropriate displays of affection or exclusive relationships shall not be permitted.
- Candidates are expected to be on time to all meetings and to respect and obey all of the adult leaders. We will not begin a session or start our meals until everyone has arrived.

Please feel free to call me with any questions. I look forward to a special weekend with your student.

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