

Dear Parents,

We are so glad that your child has gone to a week of Young Life High School summer camp with us in the past. We hope it was one of the best weeks of their lives, and **we are glad they are interested in going again**. Chances are, someone encouraged your child to go to Young Life camp, and your child's camp experience was impactful. Now, your kid has the opportunity to impact others!

Young Life has a second timer policy for its high school camps. Because Young Life camps often operate at full capacity, there are kids who don't have the opportunity to go due to a lack of beds at our 22 U.S. Young Life camps. In order to give as many teenagers as possible the awesome experience of a week at Young Life camp, Young Life areas are required to have no more than 20% of their trip totals to be kids who have already attended a week of **Young Life high school camp (or "second-timers")**. Greensboro Young Life desires for the maximum number of kids to experience and benefit from a week-long YL camp experience. This policy allows other kids to have the opportunity to experience Young Life and helps prevent second-timers with readily available finances from filling spots before less fortunate kids have an opportunity to raise funds. Speaking of fundraising, there will be great fundraising opportunities for you, a second timer, but very limited financial aid for second timers.

We think it is awesome that your teenager wants to go to another week of Young Life camp! To start, ask them to fill out the attached second timer prayer sheet and begin to list some of their "first timer" peers for them to pursue and invite. Greensboro Young Life will also encourage second-timers to take on a peer leader role at camp. Part of this peer leader role includes not revealing the "surprises" of Young Life camp to their peers, enabling their friends to have the same exciting first camp experience that "second timers" first experienced.

If your teenager chooses to lead in this fashion, I believe their second trip experience can have an even greater impact than their first! Read the Second-Timer Policy and prayer sheet attached for more information on the role second-timers can play, and please call the Greensboro Young Life office with any questions. We are already looking forward to this summer!

Sincerely,

Josh Jones Area Director
Greensboro Young Life

YOUNG LIFE 2nd TIMER POLICY

We are so glad that you have come to a week of Young Life summer camp with us in the past. We hope it was one of the best weeks of your life, and **we would love for you to come with us again**. Chances are, someone encouraged you to go, and hopefully, it had an impact on your life. Now, you can encourage your peers to go and have the same impactful experience!

What We Do Not Want:

- ...for you to feel less valued because you have been before. Quite the contrary, you are the most valuable asset to leave a lasting legacy in people's lives and at your school.
- ...for 2nd timers to compete for "who got who". We are in this together. Team up. Encourage one another. Work collaboratively. Think with other second timers as a team with a common cumulative goal, not as competition!!
- ...for 2nd Timers to go to camp who are only going for what they can get out of it themselves. This is not just a trip to camp, but an opportunity for your friends to respond to the love of Jesus Christ, as you had the opportunity to do when you went to YL summer camp.

What We Do Want:

1. **For you to attend required second timer meetings (3-4 between Jan and June)**
2. **For you to brainstorm a list of friends and underclassmen you want to go to camp.**
Use the attached prayer sheet.
4. **For you to pray for your list and invite everyone on the list at least 5 different times.**
Help them figure out conflicts, and be willing to stretch your faith to help others and courageously ask.
5. **For you to turn in your list so we can have others pray, help, and encourage you.**
6. **For there to be a 1 to 4 ratio of second timers to first timers at camp.**

That means you need to have 4 of your peers sign up to be eligible to go. **We just want you to try your absolute best and trust the process.** If folks have not partnered in this process, we reserve the right to give their spot to a 1st timer. **For you to be officially registered for the trip, you need at least ONE of your FOUR referrals to have turned in their deposit.**

Until this has happened, you will be placed on our camp waitlist.

WHAT SHOULD YOU DO NOW?

Begin by getting your deposit in and brainstorming your folks on the list. Grab a bunch of flyers and go after it. If you need a copy of a past camp video, just ask and we'll get you one. If parents need more information on Young Life, call us or go to younglife.org. Take the challenge, and lives will be better because you went for it. Any other questions, ask your leader.

FUNDRAISERS

Many of your friends may be intimidated by the price of camp; however, it is possible to **fundraise the majority, if not all, of your camp cost!!** If your friends are willing to work, they can raise the money. If Second Timers fill out the financial need application and qualify, they are eligible for up to a maximum of \$200 of scholarship MATCHING what they raise in YL-sponsored fundraisers. Second-timers are welcome to raise more than \$200, but only \$200 will be matched. Here are the fundraisers we have planned for the year.

- **Wing-A-Thon- Raise camp money by people sponsoring you to eat wings!**

YOUNG LIFE CAMP BRAINSTORMING LIST!!!

Thanks for taking this challenge to care for other people. If you are willing, God will bless you with more life than you know what to do with. Be strong and courageous.

Set a goal of at least 15 on your list. As you pray and ask, follow up by getting their deposit as soon as they are interested. If they have a conflict, write it down and let us know so we can help.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Date Asked</u>	<u>Date #2</u>	<u>Date #3</u>	<u>Conflict Deposit In!!!</u>
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Possible

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No Way

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14. _____

15. _____

Pledge For When I Am At Camp

I fully understand that my role at camp, as someone who has been before, is to help care for and lead those who are first-timers. I will do everything in my power to ensure that our whole school trip grows in a healthy community atmosphere, where people feel safe and cared for just the way they are! *If Second Timers fill out the financial need application and qualify, they are eligible for up to a maximum of \$200 of scholarship MATCHING what they raise in YL-sponsored fundraisers. Second-timers are welcome to raise more than \$200, but only \$200 will be matched.

Signed _____ Date _____

Print Name _____ School _____