

8th Grade Mission Trip June 24, 2023 – June 30, 2023

Information Meeting Summary

The 8th Grade Mission Trip will once again travel to Duluth through a service group called YouthWorks. This year, there will be an added overnight in Minneapolis for fun and learning about race.

In Duluth, our group will work alongside partner organizations and serve the community primarily through relational ministry such as spending time with children at the Boys & Girls Club and the elderly at local senior care centers. We may serve alongside a local church or assist in a food pantry. In the evenings, our group will visit local attractions like Canal Park and Park Point Beach.

Added Fun in Minneapolis - Our additional time in Minneapolis will include hearing stories of race relations in Minneapolis, exploring the city and participating in a fun evening activity. We will stay Saturday night at a local church.

Dates – Students will depart from Bethel the morning of Saturday, **June 24, 2023 and return Friday, June 30th.**

Adult Leaders – We are in need of 2 adult leaders, one male and one female. As an adult leader you will be driving the vans and leading at the service sites and throughout the week (meal prep, worship, evening activities etc.) It's a full-time job that week, but it's a lot of fun and very rewarding. You will be housed with students and responsible for them at night. Background checks are required for all adult leaders. I would like to invite any adults who are interested in being a part of this trip to *email me at youth@bethelnorthfield.org with a little information about yourself and why you would like to be an adult leader.* Not sure if you are interested? Give me a call or email and we can talk through the week!

Housing – When we arrive in Duluth, we will be housed in a local church, school, or community building. Participants need to bring their own sleeping bags and pads/blow up mattresses that are twin-size or smaller. At night participants will be supervised and supported by the adult leaders from Bethel. (a more extensive packing list will be sent out this spring.)

Transportation will be driving to Duluth in vans and spend out week traveling in vans as well.

Cost Breakdown (this is for 8 students and 2 adults, if numbers vary dramatically the cost may be adjusted):

Registration	\$384/person
Transportation	\$ 150/person
T-shirt	\$ 15/person
Additional costs (extra time in Minneapolis etc)	\$ 51/person
<u>Chaperone fee</u>	<u>\$ 75/person</u>

Total \$675/person

- \$100 non-refundable deposit is due with registration
- Scholarship money is available - contact Kristi Larson at 651.230.6057 or youth@bethelnorthfield.org.

- This is the total due to Bethel for this trip. It is also suggested that you take a small amount of money along for spending on snacks, t-shirts, etc plus there will be a few meals in Minneapolis you will need to cover.

Fundraising – Fundraising is a great way to alleviate the financial burden of trips and is a great way for youth to connect with one another before we leave on our journey. There are several options for fundraisers that I would like to do if there is student and parental interest including:

- Ongoing Script Sales (adult needed to track monthly, minimal time commitment)
- Spring Plant Sales
- NEW Egg Roll Fundraiser (Winter)
- NEW Easter Egg Fundraiser (Spring)
- Garage Sale (May)

Registration. Bethel's *guaranteed* registration deadline for this mission trip is **February 15th**. After this date it will depend on space at the Youthworks site. If you are interested in this trip, you must have your registration form along with a \$100 non-refundable deposit to Kristi Larson or the church office by this date. In the case of a cancellation after this date, you will be responsible for the entire cost of the trip.

Questions? Call or email Kristi Larson:
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