

JH WINTER CAMP | FOREST HOME FAQ

If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to:
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Forest Home Address

Forest Home Christian Camps, 40000 Valley of the Falls Dr, Forest Falls, CA 92339

Price DECREASE!

The trip cost of \$350 covers the Forest Home student cost, all transportation and lodging, activities, the cost of trained, adult leaders, OVERFLOW merch, a trip journal, and all things necessary for a safe and fun trip.

Forest Home Per Person Price Breakdown:

Forest Home Camper Cost = \$319 per camper

OVERFLOW Trip Journal = \$5

Misc. Costs = \$25

Transportation (Church Vehicles / Car Rental) = \$500 (*Underwritten from Church*)

OVERFLOW Sweatshirt = \$26 (*Underwritten from Church*)

Counselor Cost = \$209 per counselor (*Underwritten from Church*)

True Cost Per Camper = \$485

OVERFLOW Cost with Church Underwriting = \$350

We have lowered the Winter Camp cost significantly from last year by using the church vehicles for transportation as opposed to a bus and underwriting about \$3000 for merch, counselor costs, and transportation. We believe camp is an amazing avenue to experience deeper relationships with God and others and so we have worked hard to make camp as affordable as possible this year. We never want finances to be the reason that your child misses out on camp and we have financial assistance available to all who require it!

Please do not hesitate to apply for Financial Assistance, [HERE](#). We also offer a payment plan due September 30th, [HERE](#).

What are the transportation arrangements?

We will be using our church vehicles and potentially renting a vehicle. We will be driven by church staff and parents who are insured and capable drivers (luckily Forest Home is very low on the mountain!) Drop off and pick up will be at Grace Fellowship Church. (Dramamine is recommended for those prone to car sickness.)

What are the sleeping arrangements?

All students will be sleeping in separate cabins by gender as designated by Hume Lake. There will be 1-2 leaders for every 8-10 students in a cabin. The cabins are separated into girl-designated and boy-designated areas in each camp (Ponderosa and Hume SoCal). Cabins are intermixed with all grades. Please note, we will be in cabin rooms of just Grace Fellowship students.

What is the student to leader ratio, and who are the leaders?

Our typical ratio for this trip is 7:1 (students to leader). All adult leaders are current small group leaders and OVERFLOW alumni who are well trained for these trips.

Can my child invite a friend?

While we would love for all to join us for camp, the reality is that we have limited spots available. Because of this, we prioritize our camps as being opportunities for those already within OVERFLOW to have space to grow in relationship with one another; we ask that you do not invite friends who are not already a part of our community. For any interested in OVERFLOW, please have parents reach out to us!

Will my child be in the same cabin as his / her friends?

Maybe, but we do not take requests; however, newer students will always be placed with the friend who brought them and most every student will have someone they are familiar with in their cabin. During the day, students are all together and are free to spend time with whoever they would like. The only time that students are separated in groups is for cabin time at the end of the night and sleeping. We love that we get to mix up our cabins so students get to meet and spend time with others who they may not be as close to yet.

Is my child allowed to bring their cell phone? Am I allowed to contact my child throughout the weekend?

We do not allow students to bring any electronics for any reason. When you check your child in on the day of departure, we will give you a list of emergency numbers. If there is an emergency or you need to get ahold of your child, you have permission to call our OVERFLOW staff and we will connect you with your child. A weekend away from cell phones is a great way to rest from electronics.

Day in the Life @ Winter Camp:

07:30a | Wake Up & Morning Devotional

08:30a | Morning Worship

09:00a | Breakfast

10:00a | Morning Gathering

11:30am | Solo Time

12:00p | Cabin Time

12:45p | Lunch

01:30p | Free Time

- Big Swing
- Hang Out in the Snack Shop
- Sledding (if weather permits)
- Laser Tag
- Zip Line

06:00p | Dinner

07:00p | Chapel Time (Teaching & Worship)

09:00p | Cabin Time Discussion & Prayer

09:30p | Free Time

10:00p | Return to Cabin & Cabin Discussion

11:00p | Quiet in Camp

My child is nervous about being away from home, how can I encourage them prior to the trip?

It is completely normal for students to feel anxious about being away from home. We recommend the following when talking to your child...

1. Encourage them that they are not the only ones feeling this way.
2. Remind them that there are leaders available for anything that they need.
3. This is an awesome time for them to grow and meet new people.
5. Lastly, and most importantly, pray with and for your child that God would ease any anxiety they may have. (Philippians 4:6)

What is the Cancellation Policy?

Great Question! Check out our [Grace Fellowship Church Cancellation Policy Here](#).

Do you have another question that wasn't answered in the FAQ? Email Bre: bgardner@gracefellowshipchurch.org