

Diocese of South Dakota 2011 Summer Youth Camps

Be a part of the excitement of camp at Thunderhead Episcopal Center this summer! We will sing and laugh and explore and pray in the rich beauty of this remote area of the Black Hills. Without a doubt, you'll make unforgettable memories and lifelong friends. TEC Youth Camps are open to all young people throughout South Dakota. No matter where you come from or where your faith is, *you are welcome*.

Please fill out and return this form so we can prepare to welcome you this summer!

Send forms, checks etc., to: **TEC Registration**
500 South Main Ave
Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Questions: Contact the Rev. Rita Powell at youth.diocese@midconetwork.com
or 605.659.0110



Camp Schedule

5th & 6th Grade and Family Camp • Sunday, June 12-Thursday, June 16

Start a tradition of **Family Camp** as vacation time at beautiful, peaceful Thunderhead Episcopal Center. Relax together and build memories around hiking into the woods for an outdoor Eucharist, plunging into the cold waters of Spearfish Creek, and telling stories around a campfire—all while building your faith together as a family. You'll have your own space, all meals are provided, and the cost is unbeatable. Open to all families and kids of any age, especially elementary-aged kids.

5th & 6th Graders are encouraged to attend this camp as an introduction to TEC. This camp will offer fun and faith-building activities for kids and grownups, together and separately. Campers welcomed to stay on for Niobrara Convocation, to be held at TEC. June 17-19. **Cost: \$100 per person or \$250 per family.**

Middle School/ Confirmation Camp • Tuesday, July 5-Sunday, July 10

Open to all who are entering grades 7-8. This session will have all the camp fun you could want AND it will give you what you need to know about being confirmed in the Episcopal Church. The Spiritual Director will be creating a great time around the classic church topics. **Cost: \$225 per person**

High School Camp/EYE* • Friday, June 17-Monday, June 27

High School campers have an amazing, two-part opportunity before them this year!

- (1) June 17-21: Experience Niobrara Convocation, which is being held at TEC this year. You'll meet youth groups from around the nation who attend this gathering of our Native diocesan churches. There will be storytelling around the fire and a special youth-oriented service on Saturday night. Convocation departs after Sunday worship on June 19, and campers will remain at TEC for a fun, retreat-like, community building camp, packed with laughter, prayer, and the beauty of the Hills.
- (2) June 21-27: On June 21, campers will board a bus and head for the triennial national youth conference, Episcopal Youth Experience (EYE) in St. Paul, MN (with an overnight stop first at the Cathedral in Sioux Falls). On Sunday, June 26, we will worship and work with Father Bob Two Bulls Jr. at All Saints Indian Mission in urban Minneapolis, returning to Sioux Falls on Monday, June 27.

* *EYE is open to students who are in 9th-12th grades during the 2010-2011 school year. (We do plan to attend again in 2014!) Thirty slots are available for EYE on a first-come, first-served basis. **You must register through the Rev. Rita Powell, registrar for the Diocese of South Dakota, so contact her asap if you plan to attend EYE.** Attendance at EYE will replace this fall's youth convention, so let's fill every slot!*

About YOU, the Camper; your Parents; & your Health

My name is: _____

I am Male Female

My birth date is: _____

My address is: _____

My e-mail is: _____

My Parent or Guardian is: _____

Their phone is: _____

Their e-mail is: _____

Are they who we should call in an emergency? If not, please list someone else:

Please tell us about your health:

Do you have any dietary restrictions, allergies, or restrictions on activities?

•**If you take medication of any kind:** Please attach a list of medications with instructions as to the time and dosage for administering them. Medications need to be in their original containers and will be turned over to camp staff upon arrival.

•**Please attach a copy of Camper's insurance card, Medicaid card, or IHS number!!!**

PARENT/ GUARDIAN RELEASE

The health history for this child is correct to the best of my knowledge. This child has permission to attend camp and engage in all activities, except as noted above. If I cannot be reached in an emergency, I hereby give permission to the physician selected by the Camp Director or Nurse to hospitalize, secure treatment, and to order injections, anesthesia, or surgery for my child.

Parent/ Guardian Signature and Date

*****Once you send us your registration form, check your mail for confirmation and for transportation and other camp info!**

Cost of camp

The Diocese of South Dakota feels strongly that its youth should have the opportunity to experience the sacredness of the Black Hills within the community of their peers in the church. We want you to come to camp! No one should feel they can not go to camp because they don't have the money. The Diocese subsidizes the operations and staffing of its youth camps to try to keep the camper fees down.

Please check which camp you will attend:

- Family Camp: \$100 per camper, \$250 per family
- Middle School/ Confirmation Camp: \$225
- High School Camp + EYE: \$500
- High School Camp Only: \$150

Camper fees include room and board, all activities.

Check one:

- I will need a full scholarship to come to camp.
- I will need a partial scholarship for camp. I can contribute \$ _____
- I do not need a scholarship to come to camp.

What you need for camp

Please circle which one describes you!

I need/ I have a sleeping bag and pillow.

I need/ I have towel and toiletries.

I need/ I have clothes for outdoor activities.

I need/ I have shoes for outdoor activities.

Behavior Expectations:

When you come to camp, you will be asked to sign a behavior contract that applies to all Diocesan Youth Events. No drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or anything that can be considered a weapon are to be brought to camp. Camp is a place of spiritual community and renewal. Because of this, we will ask you to turn in all cell phones and ipods, mp3 players, electronics so you can be present during your camp time. We will also insist that you refrain from inappropriate sexual or violent behavior while you are here. And, of course, to be respectful of everything here.

You should also know that completion of registration grants permission to use photos of you, taken at camp, for publicity purposes. Smile! ☺