

OTTER CREEK CHRISTIAN CAMP: 2019 CHANGES FAQ sheet

This collection of questions is not exhaustive. We anticipate that we may have missed a question you are asking. If you have more questions, feel free to reach out to Jamon Martin, an OC children's or youth minister, or a member of the camp advisory team. They may not know the exact answer, but they all love talking about camp!

What will these camps be called?

We aren't 100% sure yet. To avoid confusion, we'll start calling them Senior Camp (High School), Middle School Camp, and Upper Elementary Camp, just to keep it clear. But we've haven't landed the plane on this conversation yet.

Will my 3-5 graders sleep in tents at Latimer?

We hope that at the Upper Elementary camp all our campers will be in the lodges at Latimer. It's possible the oldest boys (rising 5th graders) would be in the tents at Tent City. But, we've been putting boys that age in tents for 5 years.

Where will camp be?

For 2019, Senior (High School) camp will be at Hy-Lake in Quebeck, TN (pronounced Queeeee-Beck. Not the Canadian way). Middle School and Upper Elementary camps will be back-to-back at Latimer Reservation in Spencer, TN (Middle School: Sunday-Thursday. Upper Elementary: Friday-Sunday.)

Aren't rising 3rd graders too young? Seriously?

No way! We've shortened camp for the youngest campers. We'll make the days a little shorter and nights a little longer. This camp will be MADE for them. Just them!!! They can handle this!!

But what about my current 4th grader having to go from Junior Camp "backwards" to Elementary Camp?

There is one grade that will have the unique experience of going from a camp where they are the youngest one year to the oldest the next year. This has happened every time we've tweaked camps. It will be okay. Ask Jamon Martin about when he did this to his own son. This is for sure one of the growing pains, but we plan to make it an amazing experience for this class of gracious students.

Who is in charge here?

This is awesome. We get to spread the wealth. We get people with a heart and investment in each group to pour into that specific camp. OC children's ministry will be leading the way for Elementary camp. Middle school ministry will be designing Middle School Camp. And OCYG high school team will be directing Senior (high school) camp. There will still be an Executive Director and a team of advisors and threads that are woven between all three camps. It's all OCCC. But it will hopefully feel more personal and intentional for each specific ministry.

Is Canteen still free?

You betcha!

Will I be able to work both Junior and Elementary Camps as a staff member?

While our preference would be to involve as many adults as possible, it may become necessary to have some adults work both camps. It is, however, an impossibility to work both Senior camp and also work either of the two other camps.

If I am able to work both camps, will my own children be able to attend the camp I am working even they are not in that age group?

No. We won't be able to let campers middle school-aged campers attend the Upper Elementary Camp, or vice versa.