

VBS Crew Leader Guidelines

Thank you for your interest in becoming an inspiration and a role model to over 200 campers this summer at VBS. Perhaps you yourself were once dazzled by one of our **ENTHUSIASTIC**, **RELIABLE**, and **LOVING** teen leaders. Now, you want to share the love of Jesus and guide children from pre-school to 5th grade through **ROCKY RAILWAY**. Before you register for this adventure, please read the following important information.

VBS Camp Time for Crew Leaders

June 15th through June 19th from 8:30 AM until 12:45 PM

Please note that VBS takes place Monday through Friday. **Crew leaders must be available the entire week.** Little campers can become sad or anxious when their leaders are not there every day.

If you are not able to commit to the entire week of VBS, you may still register. However, you will be placed on the **Wait List** or assigned as a **Floater**.

Mandatory Training for All Crew Leaders

Training Session 1 (attend one date)

Option 1 – **Wednesday, May 20th from 6:30 – 8:30 PM**

Option 2 – **Sunday, May 31st from 1:00 – 3:00 PM**

Training Session 2

Thursday, June 11th from 6:30 – 8:30 PM

Rocky Railway

Transforming the gym into a mountainous landscape with railway tracks crossing over bridges, disappearing through tunnels, and meandering through scenic vistas requires many creative and hard-working hands. **Every crew leader is needed to assist with set-up and/or clean-up, for a minimum two-hour shift.** Set-up will be during the **week of June 7th** and clean-up will be immediately following the end of the camp on **Friday, June 19th**. Let your parents know that they are needed too. A link to a sign-up genius will be communicated later.

Crew Leader Positions

- **Conductor** (9th-12th) / **Junior Conductor** (6th-8th)
Encourage active participation by the campers and model enthusiasm by participating with campers at every station.
- **Pre-School Conductor**
Encourage active participation by the pre-school campers and model enthusiasm, love and compassion. Pre-schoolers will participate with large group for opening and closing ceremonies only. All stations will be modified for their level and conducted within the pre-school area.
- **Craft Engineer**
Set up the daily crafts for each rotation. Assist campers and encourage participation. Clean up between rotations.

- **Music Engineer**
Sing and perform hand motions while teaching campers and leaders the VBS songs. Music experience is helpful; smiles and high energy are a must.
- **Games Engineer**
Prepare and coordinate the daily games. Encourage active, friendly participation among all the campers while reinforcing the VBS message for the day.
- **Photography Engineer**
Capture moments from each day's adventure and develop a slideshow for each day's closing ceremony. Create a slideshow compiling the entire weeks adventures for the finale on Friday.
- **Technology Engineer (high schooler)**
Manages the VBS communication station. Controls all the audio-visual equipment needed throughout the day, e.g. music, videos, slide show. Computer experience required and must arrive by 8:15 AM to prepare equipment and resources for the day.
- **Wait List**
A limited number of volunteers are needed for each crew leader position. Once that number is met, volunteers will be added to the Wait List. As soon as a position becomes available, the wait list participant will be notified and assigned to a crew position.
- **Floater**
Assigned to a station upon arrival each morning. Assignment is dependent upon need.

Registration

Tuesday, March 10th @7:00 AM – For those registered in EDGE, LIGHT or Confirmation or for St Timothy program members

Thursday, March 12th @7:00 AM – Open to all

Go to bit.ly/SJAVBSteen to register using the St Joan of Arc Realm platform.

Communication

Communication will be sent through emails and through texts. When registering, please include an email address, that is checked often and a cell phone number. **If you're not receiving information, please call the Youth Ministry office at 925-830-4720 or email mcooke@sjasr.org.**

Thank you

This will be an amazing week. We are extremely grateful for your commitment to our campers and to saying yes to God. Prepare to grow in faith, confidence and joy.

All Aboard!!

