



## PARENT UPDATES & INFORMATION

### *Dear Parents,*

We are excited that your child will be attending Glow! It is our prayer they experience God's love throughout the weekend. There are several things you need to know about this weekend that are outlined in this letter. Please read this letter in its entirety, even those of you who are familiar with our past events.

#### What to Bring

Due to Covid concerns, we will **not** be housing students during Glow Weekend. Our events run from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Friday night and 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday. On Friday night, students should just dress comfortably. We recommend a backpack with materials for the sessions: Bible, journal, pen, etc. On Saturday, we will have an Olympics-style event so students should dress in comfortable clothing that they don't mind getting dirty. Saturday night, we are having an 80s-themed party, so we hope your student will pack an 80s outfit that they will be given time to change into before the party. If costumes aren't your thing, that's alright too!

Please **DO NOT** send or let your child bring candy, drinks, or food unless they have special dietary needs (i.e. -- gluten-free).

To recap, we recommend a backpack with a journal, pen, Bible, water bottle, 80s clothes (Saturday only).

#### Friday Night/Saturday Morning Drop-Off

Friday night drop off will begin promptly at 6:00 p.m. **DO NOT** arrive early as we will not be prepared to receive your child before 6:00 p.m. Drop-off will be from 6:00-6:20 p.m.

Students should return to campus Saturday morning from 9:30 - 9:45. The drop off locations, described below, are the same both Friday night and Saturday morning.

If you are dropping off your **middle schooler**, enter the main entrance off Old Montgomery Highway nearest the Mission Center. From there, you will be directed to the LEFT. You will circle the church using the parking lots by the Sanctuary/Fine Arts buildings. Students will be dropped off under the portico across from the Carl Raines parking lot (the downstairs entrance to the church by the Riverchase Room). There will be signs and people directing you. Your student will walk up the stairs for check-in near the gym and join fellow students in the gym after check in. Please do not enter the church campus directly from Carl Raines on Friday night.

If you are dropping off your **high schooler**, you will enter the main entrance off Old Montgomery Highway nearest the Mission Center. From there, you will turn at the STUDENT CENTER, and drop off your student to check-in inside. From there, they will be directed to the gym.

If your student is driving themselves, they will be directed to the RIGHT to park in the new parking lot across from the Student Center. Whether the student drives themselves or not, high schoolers will be checked-in in the Student Center. Our high school students who drove themselves will turn in their keys until they check out at the end of the night. Students who drive themselves to the retreat will not be permitted to leave campus during the weekend.

#### Friday Night/Saturday Night Pick-Up

Pick-Up will be in the same location as drop-off. For our students who drive themselves, they will pick up their keys as they check out. Both pick-ups will be at 10 p.m.

#### Parking

The main parking lot will be closed for the duration of the weekend. If you will be checking your child out at any point throughout the weekend, we ask that you park in the upper lot near the Sanctuary and Fine Arts Building. Help us make this process quick and easy by texting Rebecca Horn when you are on the way. Her number is (662) 347-0281.

#### Updates

Text updates will be sent during the weekend from the following number: (833) 896-8720. Additionally, we will be active on social media, especially Instagram, during the weekend. To keep up with our event, follow @rsm\_students.

If you have an emergency during the weekend, feel free to contact Taylor Parsons (601) 606-2432 or Scott Barnes (205) 910-5947. We are grateful that your child will be joining us, and we can't wait for Glow Weekend!

***The Glow Team***