

The logo for SOZO Camp, featuring the word "SOZO" in a white, serif font inside a white rectangular border, centered on a dark gray background.

SOZO

Dear Parent(s) or Guardian(s),

This email provides you with the essential details of this year's camp experience, which takes place from Thursday, July 18 through Sunday, July 21.

Please read through all of the details included in this letter—even if your student has been to camp before. The most obvious change for camp this year is that we are not a part of Jesus Adventure Camp held in Jumonville, PA. Instead we will be hosting our first ever high school camp at Geneva College in Beaver Falls, PA. We are so excited to see this new season begin where we can see God change more lives to impact the Next Generation.

We are excited for the opportunity to minister to your student and believe that God is going to do great things at SOZO Camp. We are praying for our counselors and for each camper. Please join your faith with ours, believing God that your student has peace while away from home and that your student experiences God and grows in his or her relationship with Him throughout the week.

We count it an honor and privilege to be able to serve you and your family. If you have any questions before we leave, please feel free to contact us at rzibaila@lifeatvictory.com

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ben Archer".

Ben Archer
Student Ministries Pastor

ENCLOSED with this letter are important items.

Please check to confirm that you have the following:

- Packing List
- Times and directions for drop off and pick up
- Directions for medications and medication labels

CAMP LOCATION

Camp takes place at Geneva College (<http://www.geneva.edu/>). Travel time to the camp is approximately 30 minutes from Victory Family Church.

REGISTRATION & DROP OFF

On Thursday, July 18, 2019 camp registration is at 4:00 PM and will be held at Geneva's Alexander Hall. Please be prompt for registration as this can take some time.

NOTE: If your student has any medicine that needs to be handed off to the nurse please arrive at 3:15 PM for an early registration. This will give your student time to check in with the nurse and for you to discuss medical needs for the week with the nurse. Be prepared to turn in **all prescription medications** during the registration process.

Parents will drop off their students and their student's luggage at Alexander Hall, complete the registration process, and then head inside Alexander Hall for the parent meeting. During this meeting, I will be going over the rules of camp so that parents understand what is expected of their student while they are at camp. After this meeting, parents are free to return home. We ask that you don't enter the dorms or walk around campus after the meeting concludes.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

You may call Victory Family Church at (724) 453-6200. A member of the office staff will contact me at camp, and I will call you directly. If you need to contact your student after hours call Geneva directly at (724-847-5500) and they will contact a staff member. For daily updates, "like" our [SOZO Parent Connect Page](#) on Facebook.

MEALS AND ACTIVITIES

Students will be provided three meals at camp. All activities are on a rotation this year, but students will be able to pick from a variety of activities each day. Some group activities will be messy, so please include several changes of clothes.

WHAT TO PACK

- Everyday clothes (enough for each day and a few extra for messy activities)
- Hoodies, jeans, and long shirts for the evenings
- Swim Towel
- Bath Towel and wash cloths
- Soap, shampoo, and conditioner
- Pajamas

- Medication
- Underwear
- Sneakers and socks
- Flip flops
- Sleeping bag or twin sized linens
- Pillow
- Sunscreen
- Insect repellent
- Paper Bible (Electronic Bibles will not be permitted)
- Journal
- Backpack
- Snacks
- Bag for wet or dirty clothes
- Swim suit (one piece for girls)
- A white t-shirt for activities (outside/inside)
- Refillable water bottle
- Hand soap

We strongly suggest initialing all clothing tags. We do ask that you put labels on all luggage. Luggage tags will be available for pickup at the Connection Desk in the Auditorium up until the weekend before camp.

Dress Code for Female Campers

All female campers must adhere to the following dress code. Campers who wear clothing that violates this code will be required to change clothes in order to participate in camp activities.

The following items are not allowed.

- Shirts/tops that expose midriffs
- Shorts and skirts that are not fingertip length
- Two-piece bathing suits

Nut-free Cabin Snacks ONLY

Only nut-free snacks are permitted since we have campers with severe nut allergies. Any snacks that contain nuts will be removed by the counselors.

Spending Money

Cash in small bills is permitted for use for the vending machine. If your student will only be buying snacks, \$10.00 is enough spending money.

Prescription Medications

Camp nurses will be available during registration to register ALL prescription medications. Medications must be submitted according to the following specifications.

1. Place all medications in one gallon-sized Ziplock bag.
2. Label medications with your student's name and include all instructions.
3. Clearly label the bag with your student's name.
4. Enclose a photograph of your student inside the bag.

PICKUP | Sunday July 21st @ 12:30 P.M at Geneva's Alexander Hall

Please make arrangements to have someone pick up your student promptly at Geneva College at 12:30 p.m.

DO NOT bring dog(s) or other pets with you as some adults and students are not comfortable around animals.