



## **Pondo Parent Info Page -ELEVATE 2012**

Thank you for allowing us to care for your child. We have planned all kinds of fun, age-appropriate activities that will encourage physical, social, mental, and spiritual growth. Listed below is all the info needed to prepare for camp. But don't hesitate to call with questions at 909.867.7037

### **NEEDS:**

Campers will need to bring sleeping bag, pillow, towel, flashlight, warm casual clothing, a winter jacket, and various toiletries. Snow boots are highly encouraged to keep feet warm and dry during activities. You can accomplish the same thing by alternating sturdy street shoes so that one pair dries out while the other pair is in use. Some parents even send inexpensive rain boots with thick wool socks. Also, sun block, lip balm, and sunglasses are very helpful in dealing with the glare. Each student will also need a Bible & a pen. If you have skis or snowboard your child is welcome to bring them along. Place your name on all of your belongings. Your student will have access to our camp store. Various items such as t-shirts, sweatshirts, hats and other fun items will be for sale. We also have snacks for those afternoon & late night munchies!

### **ACTIVITIES:**

Ski/Board Trip: An optional ski/board trip is planned for Saturday afternoon. Lift tickets are \$30 for a half day lift ticket. Ski/boot rentals are \$15 & snowboard/boot rentals are \$25. A group ski or board lesson is \$20. Transportation by charter bus will be provided at no charge from camp. A sack lunch will be provided. Pondo does not supply chaperones for the trip, your church youth leaders will accompany your child to the slopes.

Afternoon Recreation @ Camp: For those students who do not wish to go to the slopes, there will be a full afternoon of activities scheduled at camp. There will be opportunities to participate in a snowshoe hike, scavenger hunt, flag football, Kajabe Can-Can, Field Hockey & Dodge Ball. As always, the tube run will be open during the afternoon & evening. New for this year, we will have some of our adventure activities running. But don't fret, there will be activities done inside those who prefer to stay a little warmer.

### **CONTACTING YOUR CHILD:**

EMAIL ([mycamper@pondo.org](mailto:mycamper@pondo.org)) - Include your child's first and last name and the church that your child is attending camp with on the subject line. We PRINT THE EMAIL out and deliver it to your child at meal times. We cannot accept attachments-so please just send a simple note through email. Your child does not have access to a computer so they cannot email you back or view animated greetings. Also, we also get massive amounts of spam that we have to sort through to get to your child's email. To prevent undesirable content or malicious email some of the sorting is automatically done by our software. So, this service is NOT for urgent or necessary messages, please call the office so that we can make sure your child gets the proper information. All email is delivered at meal times.

FAX (909.867.3991) - Faxes will be delivered at the next mealtime. Please include your child's first and last name and the church that he or she is attending camp with on the cover page.

LETTERS/PACKAGES - We do not advise you to send letters or packages for a weekend camp. The camp is in a remote location and delivery is always delayed.

PHONE (909.867.7037) - You may call and leave a message with the receptionist or on our guest voicemail box. Please state your child's name and church and then leave the message. We will be glad to deliver it at the next mealtime.

### **MEDICAL INFORMATION:**

MEDICAL FORM: Please provide your group leader a signed, completed Registration/Medical form. Attach additional pages you feel are necessary so that we can have the information we need to care for your child. This information is invaluable if an emergency occurs. We prefer that you wait until just before camp to complete the form. Medical needs change & we want the latest, most accurate info. See your leader to get the form.

MEDICATIONS: Please pack any medication that your child takes separately and deliver it to your church leaders so that they may turn the medications into the infirmary upon arrival. Many medications are difficult to identify, so please send the original container with your child's name clearly marked on the package. You do not need to send over the counter medications such as Tylenol, Advil, Sudafed, bandages, etc. We keep a well-stocked infirmary and we can "patch-up" most scrapes, bruises, headaches, and stomachaches. If your child brings **ANY** medication or vitamins, it must be turned into the infirmary. The health code mandates that no medications be left unattended in the cabins.

INJURY OR ILLNESS: If an injury or illness occurs, a first aid certified staff member will attend to your child. If a major illness or injury occurs, 911 will be called immediately and the child will be transported to the hospital. Emergency personnel have less than a five-minute response time to our facility. You will be contacted as soon as possible.