

SUMMERSATIONAL 2018

April 2018

TO: Rio Vista Community Church Youth Ministry students entering Grades 7-12, and their parents

FROM: Elisabeth Hunter and Alex Pagliaro, Directors of Summersational

RE: Summersational Youth Servant Staff

It's that time of year again—school ends and **SUMMERSATIONAL** begins! That means that in a few short weeks **WE NEED YOU!** This letter is your invitation to apply to serve with us. Please note: because we have so many students interested in serving we have to limit the number of Youth Servant Staff members we schedule for each week of camp, so **students must apply for this opportunity.** Please read this letter carefully to be sure you don't miss the **application deadline (May 31)** or the **required orientation meeting (June 2)** if you are interested in serving! **PLEASE NOTE THAT May 31 IS THE ABSOLUTE DEADLINE TO TURN IN YOUR APPLICATION & INFO! NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Whenever we talk to anyone about Summersational, we always end up raving about our terrific **Youth Servant Staff**, and the fact that we couldn't do this ministry without you. You bring energy and enthusiasm, special skills and talents, love and patience, faith in Christ, flexibility, and servant hearts.

You do things like welcome children and parents, share words of encouragement, serve snacks, provide great examples, give and receive hugs, exclaim over artwork, tie shoes, talk about Jesus, exchange high fives, answer endless questions, wipe off tables, hold little hands, and become special friends who are looked up to and loved!

So...we are inviting you to **apply** to be a part of our awesome Youth Servant Staff!

WHY? To work with the Summersational Adult Staff to love and lead campers age 3 through entering 6th grade

WHEN? From 7:50 AM until 12:45 PM between June 11 and July 20

WHERE? Rio Vista Community Church

WHAT CAN I GIVE? Yourself

WHAT WILL I GET? Lots of great experience, a cool new Summersational 2018 T-SHIRT ... and ... for every hour you work (provided the income from camp fees is sufficient to cover this) you'll receive \$1.00 in Youth Event Scholarship Dollars (Y.E.S. Dollars) which you can use toward any Rio youth event. One more thing--you may be able to use the hours you serve to meet a school requirement for Community Service.

HOW DO I APPLY? Print out a **SUMMERSATIONAL YOUTH SERVANT STAFF APPLICATION and CONTRACT**. Please pray about your participation in this ministry. If you decide to apply and fill out the contract, please do so thoughtfully *and in consultation with your parents!* We will consider your application and the dates you are offering to serve. When you attend the required Orientation Meeting, or shortly thereafter, we will return to you a copy of your contract, indicating in the right-hand column which of the dates you have offered that we will schedule you to work. Then, **we'll be counting on you!**

Please fill out and return the **Application Form** and the **Contract** with the **Emergency Information and Release of Liability**. These forms should be returned to the RVCC office as soon as possible, marked "ATTENTION: Summersational Directors." (*Forms must be complete and signed!*)

→ **DEADLINE: IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED FOR YOUTH SERVANT STAFF, YOU MUST TURN IN YOUR PAPERWORK NO LATER THAN Thursday, May 31, 2018. Being on time with your application and other info is an indicator of your reliability. ☺**

As we consider applications, we will give first priority to students who are members of RVCC and/or regular participants in Rio Impact, the youth ministry of RVCC, AND we'll consider applications in the order in which we receive them, so the sooner you turn in your forms, the better.

VERY IMPORTANT!! You must plan to attend the REQUIRED YOUTH SERVANT STAFF ORIENTATION MEETING in the Church Fellowship Hall on Saturday, June 2 at 9am. We are partnering with Saints for our Sports Camp program. There will be training before our informational meeting. If you would like to volunteer with Sports Camp you ***MUST attend this training***. You need to be there so we can go over important camp details together and be organized and ready to start on June 11th! Please mark the date on your calendar! **NOTE: Attendance is required for participation in Summersational Youth Servant Staff. Attending is an indicator of your commitment to serving on the Youth Servant Staff. ☺**

Thanks a lot!

In Christ,

Elisabeth Hunter and Alex Pagliaro, Camp Directors

PS - In case you missed it above, the DEADLINE for applying is May 31, 2018! Attendance at the Orientation Meeting on Saturday, June 2, is REQUIRED. ☺

APPLICATION FOR SUMMERSATIONAL YOUTH SERVANT STAFF

DEADLINE!!! This application must be received at Rio Vista Community Church, 880 South Federal Highway, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316 (fax 954-779-1750) no later than Thursday, May 31, 2018.

Name _____ Student phone # _____ Home # _____

Email address _____

Address _____ City/State _____ Zip _____

Current school _____ School next yr. _____ Grade next yr. _____

I attend worship at _____ weekly __2x/month __1x/month __once in awhile

I participate in the youth ministry at _____ every time it meets __half the time __rarely

Reference – Name and email/phone info for a pastor/youth leader *who knows you well enough to give their opinion of your readiness to serve at Summersational* _____

What are the top 3 reasons why you want to be part of the Youth Servant Staff this summer?

1.

2.

3.

Do you believe that God is leading you to apply to be on the Youth Servant Staff? If so, why? (If not, please don't apply. ☺)

What can you offer to this ministry?

What things do you think you might learn from being a part of the Youth Servant Staff?

Rate yourself honestly from 1 to 5 on each of the following (5 means you are very strong in this area; 1 means you have a lot of growing to do in this area):

___ Responsible ___ Patient ___ Productive ___ Able to put others first

___ Dependable ___ Kind ___ Willing to learn ___ Able to share your faith in God

___ On time ___ Self-control ___ Fun to be around ___ Knowledge of the Bible

___ Respectful ___ Gentle ___ Able to focus on a task

Anything else you would like us to know about you:

SUMMERSATIONAL CONTRACT FOR YOUTH SERVANT STAFF

Entering grades 7-12

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I hereby offer to serve at Summersational, wherever I'm needed, on the dates marked below. I will arrive by **7:50 AM** and stay until **12:45 PM**. With God's help I'll represent Him to the campers, parents, other Youth Servant Staff members, and the Adult Staff. If I'm unable to be at camp as scheduled, I'll notify the Director 24+ hours in advance (954-805-5166 Cell). I understand that a copy of this form will be returned to me at or after the Youth Staff Orientation Meeting with the right-hand column marked YES or NO to let me know whether or not my offer to work is confirmed by the camp directors for that week.

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	End column for office use
June 11-15	___	___	___	___	___	___
June 18-22	___	___	___	___	___	___
June 25-29	___	___	___	___	___	___
July 2*-6	___	___	No Camp	___	___	___
July 9-13	___	___	___	___	___	___
July 16-20	___	___	___	___	___	___

- ◆ I will attend the **REQUIRED Youth Servant Staff Orientation Meeting** to be held on Saturday, June 2nd, at 9AM in the Church Fellowship Hall.
- ◆ I understand that I **may not bring a friend with me** to Summersational.
- ◆ I agree to **dress neatly and modestly (no tank tops or short shorts, please)**.
- ◆ I agree **not to use a cell phone during the hours I'm working** at Summersational.

Signatures: Parent _____ Student _____

Circle grade next fall: 7 8 9 10 11 12 **School next fall** _____

Circle T-shirt size (adult sizes): S M L XL

I'll serve **wherever I'm needed**, but my preference(s) would be (circle any or all):

PK2 PK3 PK4 Kindergarten 1st gr. Sports Camp (**Training required**) Art

Address _____ **Zipcode** _____

Phone numbers _____ **Email** _____

I participate in youth ministry activities at Rio Vista Community Church: YES NO (over)

Youth Servant Staff Emergency Information (PRINT CLEARLY)

Student's name: _____

In case of emergency, contact this parent first (name): _____ Phone (list best number first for 7:50 AM-12:45 PM, Monday-Friday; mark as cell, home, work): _____

If first parent listed cannot be reached, try the following people in this order (names and relationship to student):

Other parent: _____ Phone (list best number first for 7:50 AM-12:45 PM, Monday-Friday; mark as cell, home, work): _____

Other adult: _____ Phone (list best number first for 7:50 AM-12:45 PM, Monday-Friday; mark as cell, home, work): _____

Physician's name and phone number: _____

Medical information that should be made known to medical personnel in an emergency (allergies, special needs):

Rio Vista Community Church Liability Release Form

Child's Name: _____

In the event my child becomes ill or is injured while at Summersational (under the umbrella of Rio Vista Community Church) for the day camp program, I approve that the camp staff take the following steps:

1. Try to contact a parent of the student and follow his instructions.

2. In the event that neither parent can be reached, contact the student's physician and follow his instructions. If the student's physician and parent(s) cannot be reached, the camp staff will use their own discretion in contacting a properly licensed physician and follow his instructions. If, in the opinion of a properly licensed practicing physician, my child needs medical or surgical services which require my consent before being supplied and I cannot be reached, I hereby authorize, appoint, and empower the Camp Director or his designee to furnish on my behalf such written or oral authorization as may be so required. Furthermore, I release the Camp Director or his designee, Rio Vista Community Church and/or Bethany Christian School from any liability which might arise from the granting of such authorization, it being my desire that my child be furnished with such medical or surgical services as soon as is reasonably possible after the need arises.

I, for my heirs, executors, and administrators, release and forever discharge Bethany Christian School and Rio Vista Community Church and any employees or agents, thereof, of all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs, or expenses which I may have against them arising out of or in any way connected with my participation or my child's participation in camp events on or off the property and including all injuries that may be suffered by me or my child during or after the event.

I further agree to hold the school harmless for any liability to my child or any guardian or parent, thereof, because of any claims on behalf of my child against the school or any agent, thereof, because of any injury or alleged injury to my child.

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I have read the previous paragraphs and I know, understand, and appreciate these and other risks that are inherent in a day camp program. I hereby assert that my child's participation is voluntary and that I knowingly assume all such risks. Parent or Guardian signature: _____ Date _____