

Genesis Account

Studying to be Stewards of Creation



Dear Chaperone,

We appreciate your help in making our program possible. Your role this week is vital, and how you carry out the responsibilities will affect the students' experience. The following information will provide guidance for you as you take on the task of counseling a group of students.

The main purposes of the Genesis Account ministry are:

1. To guide students into a new or deeper relationship with God.
2. To provide a high-quality educational experience that will open students' eyes to God's creation.
3. To facilitate the growth of deeper relationships between students and their teachers.

Our job is to take care of the details and program so that you can spend the week focusing on your students. Your involvement is essential to our program's success.

The following is a breakdown of our schedule, along with your role in each part:

Flag Raising/KP (7:45-7:55): Cabin groups will be assigned to raise the flag (usually the breakfast KP group). The chaperone needs to make sure that all students arrive on time and demonstrate respect for the ceremony and one another.

Breakfast (8:00): Mealtime is a good opportunity to interact with your students. We ask that a chaperone sit at each table so that (1) you are able to help regulate volume in the dining hall, (2) students will have an adult example to follow, and (3) students can relate to you on a relaxed, personal basis. Genesis Account staff will also sit with the students if seating allows.

****Announcements are usually made during meals,** so please be ready to listen and make sure students are listening. This includes details to the schedule and how to prepare for the next activity.

Chaperone Meeting/Cabin Clean-up (8:30-9:00): Students are responsible for cleaning their cabin. Chaperones clean only their own area and encourage students to do their best. While students are cleaning, ****chaperones meet with the supervisor** for prayer, sharing suggestions and concerns, and reviewing the schedule.

Morning Class (9:15-11:00): During class, chaperones can model participation and interest, and your help in maintaining control is valuable. Please do not distract students, but help them to focus and participate.

Electives (11:15-12:15): Genesis Account staff will lead electives each day. Chaperones may also be asked to lead activities. This provides more options for students, smaller groups. Typical electives include hikes, exploring activities, team sports, games, crafts, etc. (More suggestions for electives are in the pre-camp packet.)

Lunch (12:30-1:15)

F.O.B. (Flat On Bunk)/Rest time (1:30-2:00): This is a chance for students to rest. Students should be in their cabins and quiet. The chaperone needs to be present and in control at this time. This is an excellent time for cabin devotions, rather than waiting until bedtime.

Afternoon Class (2:15-4:00)

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Recreation time (4:00-5:15): Genesis Account relies on chaperones to be in charge at this time and involved with students in group games, hiking, talking, or other recreational opportunities that are available. This non-structured time is a chance for students to develop friendships with you and each other, and for you to just have fun with them.

Evening Meal (5:30-6:15)

Journal time (6:20-7:00): After the evening meal, the classroom teacher leads the students in a time of written reflection on the day's activities. Journal questions are provided in the teacher manual if you wish to use them.

Evening Activities and Devotions (7:15-9:15): Whether it is a game or the evening sharing time, the adult's attitude and behavior is a crucial factor in the success of the activity. Please don't sit in the back and watch. During devotions, please sit with the students. Because we cannot spend one-on-one time with every student, we depend on you to assess the spiritual condition of your students.

Lights Out (10:00): This can be one of the most challenging times of the day. Even a respected teacher will have his/her authority tested the first night. Please help one another in enforcing the quiet time, so students get the rest they need.

Chaperone Responsibilities

Your role in the cabin is important. It is important that students respect your authority. There is a difference between being a nice guy and being a friend. Please do not threaten a punishment you are not able to carry out. Your involvement and interactions will have an impact on the program.

1. Know the camp guidelines and what we expect of the students.
2. You are a role model. The students will watch and learn from everything you do--good or bad. Please model respect and cooperate with all camp policies.
3. Please be on time and participate in all program activities unless previous arrangements have been made. This includes sitting with your students at meals and meetings.
4. You are responsible for the supervision and leadership of the afternoon recreation time.
5. Please come with your cabin group when they have duties such as KP or flag.
6. You are responsible for supervising your students from the time they are dismissed in the evening until breakfast the next morning.
7. You are responsible for ensuring your cabin is cleaned before leaving camp.

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GENESIS ACCOUNT OUTDOOR SCHOOL DAILY SCHEDULE

Time	Arrival Day	Mid-program Days	Departure Day	
7:00 am		Rise and shine	Rise and shine	
7:40 am		KP	KP	
7:55 am		Flag raising and breakfast	Breakfast	
8:30 am		Cabin clean-up, chaperone meeting	Chaperone meeting; Pack- up/clean cabins	
9:00 am		Morning devotion		
9:15 am		Class	Morning devotion & eval	
9:45 am			Outdoor school review	
11:00 am		Electives *	KP	
11:30 am			Lunch	
12:00 pm		Arrive - sack lunches; Move into cabins	Prepare for lunch; KP duty	Head for home
12:30 pm		Adult Orientation/ Student games	Lunch	
1:00 pm	1:30 pm (F.O.B.) Rest time *			
1:45 pm	Student Orientation			
2:15 pm	Class	Class		
4:00 pm	Recreation time *	Rec time *		
5:15 pm	Prepare for dinner; KP duty	KP		
5:25 pm	Flag lowering and dinner	Flag and dinner		
6:15 pm	Journal time *	Journal *		
7:00 pm	Prep for evening	Prep for evening		
7:15 pm	Evening activity	Activity		
8:15 pm	Snack* μ	Snack*μ		
8:30 pm	Evening devotions	Devotions		
9:15 pm	Prepare for bed and lights out *	Prep and lights out *		
10:00 pm				

* Teacher/chaperone leadership.

μEvening snack-not provided at all camps.