



# Frequently Asked Questions

## **What are the age requirements?**

Jericho Road Project is an inter-generational ministry for students entering the 6th grade through Senior adults.

## **What qualifies someone as an adult Leader?**

An adult leader is someone who is 21 years of age or older and operates as a leader in your ministry. We also have space for adults and young adults who are not leaders to participate.

## **How many adults do we need to bring?**

Each group must bring one adult (age 21 or older) for every five students. This ensures that each crew including any group's students can also include one of that same group's adult leaders, and it also ensures that any student discipline can be properly handled by their own group's adults first before any further measures are required. If your group is bringing both male and female students, it must also bring at least one male and one female adult leader so that there can be at least one adult in each sleeping room.

## **Can we arrive late or leave early?**

No. Adults and students from incoming groups are both required to stay through the whole project from arrival on Thursday evening until dismissal on Sunday afternoon. This includes attendance at meals and evening services.

## **Where do participants stay?**

Participants will stay at White Clay Creek Church in Newark, Delaware. Participants will be sleeping on the floor, so sleeping bags, air mattresses or cots are recommended. **What about showers?**

Participants are given the opportunity to shower nightly. In the past, showers have been provided by the local YMCA. Participants are advised to be sure to bring towels as well as any toiletries they will need for showering, as they will not be provided. Showers may be communal, so students may wish to bring a bathing suit if they desire additional privacy.

## **What if I have special dietary or medical needs?**

Please note any special needs on the sign-up form.

## **How are work crews set up?**

Crews will be made up of approximately three to five students and one to two adult leaders. Each group will have a local volunteer crew chief that is skilled in the type of work that the group will be doing. Some students grow more when they are given an opportunity to work with students from other groups, but other groups prefer to have their students kept all together, and we usually can accommodate either preference. We will do all we can to make sure that if we split your students up, at least one of your group's adult leaders will be with that crew along with the students. This is one of the reasons we ask for one adult leader for every five students.

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## **What kind of work will we be doing?**

Crews typically do some kind of home-repair work. Often there is some outdoor clean-up and yard work in addition to home-repair. We have great faith in our students, and as a result many of the projects will involve crew chiefs teaching students to do work they have never done before. Though many of our projects do involve some risk, especially if working with power tools or working on ladders or roofs, our adults are trained to use every possible safety precaution to ensure that students are protected while still accomplishing meaningful service and learning valuable life skills.

## **How far are the work sites from the lodging facility?**

The maximum distance from the lodging facility is approximately 25 minutes, although many job sites are within 5-10 minutes.

## **What do students do in small groups?**

Small groups are a place where students are given an opportunity to discuss their expectations for the weekend, share stories from work sites, and share how God is working in them through the project. Small groups are entirely separated by church group, so your students will be in small groups only with other students from your church and led by your group's adult leaders. Small groups usually include between 6-8 students plus adult leaders.

## **What will evening programs be like?**

Each night, all students and adult leaders will gather for worship and a message from one of our staff members. We use contemporary praise and worship music in our services. All of our music is biblically based and glorifying to God. Students will be challenged to grow in their relationship with God and to live out their faith in their everyday lives.

## **What forms are we required to fill out?**

Students need to fill out the online sign up and a JRP Health Form. Adult leaders need to complete an Adult Leader Skill Sheet and a Background Check Verification Form (to be completed by a pastor or legal agent of the church). Adult leaders are expected to have read the Adult Leader Expectations before they arrive at the project.



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## **How much does it cost?**

Participation fee for the Jericho Road Project is \$50 per person if the group completes their registration by May 1, \$75 per person if the group registers by July 1.

## **What do the fees cover?**

Participation fees cover the cost of lodging, showers, all food, material for work projects, and a Jericho Road Project t-shirt.

## **What about electronic devices?**

We strongly discourage students from bringing cell phones, ipods, or other electronic devices. First, the device could get lost, stolen, or damaged over the project. Second, and more critical from our standpoint, these devices create a potential distraction that can hinder students' connection with God and with others over the weekend. We have found that it is very helpful to disconnect from what's going on at home in these small ways in order to connect to God for the weekend. Adult leaders should have their cell phones for the weekend; remember to charge them before you come and bring a charger with you.

## **What if a participant becomes injured during the project**

If a student become injured during the project, our staff are notified immediately and an adult who is trained in first aid will either take care of the situation personally, take the injured participant to a place where they can receive medical care, or notify emergency personnel, depending on the severity of the situation. Trained adults will be present at the project to address these type of issues.

## **How are disciplinary issues handled?**

Any illegal activity will be reported to the proper authorities immediately. We make every effort to defer disciplinary measures to an adult leader of the group to which the student belongs. For severe offences, our staff will decide on a case-by-case basis what will be done, possibly asking the group leader to call the student's parents to have him/her picked up without a refund.



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