

**Spring Blaze** is a 3 day, 2 night retreat at Hidden Acres Camp created just for you! Check out the details...

**Hidden Acres** events are always tons of fun as well as faith building. Great Bible teaching, zip-lining, awesome worship, basketball, snack bar, horse rides, group challenge course, hanging out, climbing wall, hot tub, canoeing, giant swing, indoor swimming pool, making memories with your friends and church group are some of the things you can expect this year at Spring Blaze!

**Cost** is \$80 & includes retreat registration, camp stay, & meals while at Spring Blaze. You will also need enough money for 2 fast food meals- Friday dinner & Sunday lunch. If you want, you can bring money for snacks & souvenirs while at Hidden Acres. Need financial assistance? Please contact Nick Burgus at the church office... 641-423-9401.

**Registration** for this event is unique. In order to go, please complete the following by Wednesday, April 24.

- S) Read through this whole packet & understand it. Ask guestions if you have them.
- B) Parent/Student Oath Form & the Medical Release Form (turn into Nick)
- 2) Hidden Acres online registration & payment. Instruction sheet is on the back of this page.
- 4) Tell everyone else in your Grace Kids Small Group that you're going & they need to go too!

## !ATTENTION!

- 1. You must register on the Hidden Acres website and pay the registration cost directly to the camp.
- 2. In order to get a ride to Spring Blaze, you must turn your Parent/Student Oath and Grace Church Medical Release forms into Nick by Wednesday, April 24!

This retreat is going to be so much fun! We will be challenged to think about how we are living our lives for Christ. We will also have a chance to do some things with our friends that we don't normally get to do. Please pray that God prepares our attitudes as He challenges us at Spring Blaze. Parents, please be sure to read through this with your student & ask any questions that you may have *before* we go.

## www.hacamps.org

For more information about how to register and what Hidden Acres has to offer, check out their website.

## Spring Blaze – Registration Instructions



**Church Leaders:** Download information about Spring Blaze from our website at www.hacamps.org/spring-blaze. You'll find a brochure and a link to register online.



**Church Leaders:** Tell your 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade students about Spring Blaze! Print off brochures and copies of this info sheet and pass them out at church. IMPORTANT: Write the name of your group here:

Grace Church, Mason City (church name, city).
This is how we'll determine housing assignments at the retreat.



**Parents:** Register your 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade children (and yourselves if you're attending the retreat as leaders or helpers). You'll find a link to online registration at www.hacamps.org/spring-blaze. Church leaders should not register your children on your behalf; there are important liability waivers and medical information for you to fill out about each child.



**Parents:** During registration, on step 3 of 6, you'll be asked your "Group Name." Please enter your group name exactly as the church staff wrote it in point #2 above. This will ensure that Hidden Acres places leaders and children in the correct room with the rest of their church.



Parents: Check out & pay, that's it! Make sure you tell the leaders at church you signed up so they can coordinate things on their end!

Additional Camper Information  *Home Church
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* Group Name  Every leader and every child must attend as part of a church group. Please Is listed above. This is how we will plup people and assign housing.  Ankeny EFC, Ankeny
* T-Shirt Size  Example of Group Name during registration



#### Schedule

Friday, May 3 Arrive at Grace to Pack Bus 3:30 Head Out 4:00 Eat 5:00 **Registration Begins** 6:00 Chapel Session #1 (Youth group breakouts following chapel session) 7:30 Adult Leader Meeting in Dining Hall 9:00 Late Night Pizza 9:00 Snack and Gift Shops Open 9:30 Lights Out 10:30

### Saturday, May 4

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8:00	Breakfast
9:15	Chapel Session #2 (Youth group breakouts following chapel session)
11:00	Duals (Games changed every 20 minutes)
12:00	Lunch
1:00	Free Time Options
	(Challenge Course, 9 Square, Horse Rides, Canoe, Paddle Boat, Pool/Hot Tub, Swing,
	Climbing Wall, Zip Line, Carpetball, Pedal Carts, Disc Golf, Basketball, Snack Shop)
5:00	Dinner
6:00	Chapel Session #3
7:30	Evening All Camp Game
8:30	Free time / Snack / Snack & Gift Shops Open
10:30	Lights Out

### Sunday, May 5

1:45-2:00

8:00	Breakfast
9:00	Youth Group Debrief (Recap of the weekend)
9:45	Chapel Session #4
11:00	Head for home
12:00ish	Lunch

Arrive at Grace Church in Mason City

# Packing List

Clothes for cool or warm weather...Toiletries...Deodorant...Snacks for Nick... Bible & Pen...Extra \$ for Camp Store (not necessary)...Deodorant...PJs... Sleeping Bag & Pillow...Towels (pool & shower)... Modest Swimsuit (see no crack rule)... Deodorant...\$ for 2 Fast Food Meals...Good Attitude!

# Expectations

### Here you go...

- 1. Display a Christ-like attitude at all times!!!
- 2. Respect everyone at all times!!!
- 3. Be where you're supposed to be when you're supposed to be there!!!
- 4. Listen & then do what the adult leaders say!!!
- 5. Cell phones are not needed. Have fun with whom you're with!!!
- 6. No tobacco, alcohol, or drugs of any kind!!!
- 7. Wear appropriate clothing!!!
  - -I don't want to see cracks of any sorts- boys or girls.
  - -See the Packing list above.
- 8. Boy/Girl guidelines...
  - a. NO TOUCHING!!!
  - b. No sharing blankets!!!
  - c. No going off in couples!!! (whether dating or not)
- 9. Vehicle rules...
  - a. Girls sit with girls!!!
  - b. Guys sit with guys!!!
  - c. Keep it clean!!! (in every sense you can think of)
- 10. Sleeping arrangements...
  - a. Be respectful by being clean & quiet!!!
  - b. Get plenty of sleep so you're fun to be around!!!
  - c. No guys in girls rooms, no girls in guys rooms!!!
    - a. If this happens, you will be sent home immediately.
- 11. HAVE FUN & MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN SOMEONE'S LIFE!!!

#### A Good Rule of Thumb to Follow

Don't do anything stupid that you know, or even think, might get you into trouble. Think before you act, it always helps. Don't think about how far you can go and get away with it. Instead, think about how you can draw nearer to God through your actions. Be a Christ-like example in all you do.

### Consequence

If you choose not to follow the rules, then arrangements will be made for a parent to come pick you up. Trust me, the trip back will be one of the worst trips of your entire life. Don't allow it to get to this point.

- 1. Respect Yourself!
- 2. Respect Others!
- 3. Respect the Place!

# Parent/Student Oath Spring Blaze 2024

'm really excited about this trip because I know it's going to be a lot of fun. However, I don't want				
anyone to ruin the trip. So, that's what this sheet is for.				
Students, by signing this sheet, you are saying that you a	agree to abide by all the rules and accept the			
consequences if you break the rules.				
Parents, by signing this sheet, you are agreeing to pick y	our student up, from wherever we are, if he			
or she breaks the rules.				
Student Signature:	Date:			
Parent Signature:	Date:			

## Grace Church Medical Release Form (2024 Spring Blaze)

Effective dates: The year of 2023-2024	•	
Student's Name:	Birthdate:/ Sex:	
Complete Home Address:		
Home Phone:( <u>)</u>		
Student lives with (circle one): Father	Mother Both Other	
Father's Name:	Cell Phone:( <u>) -</u> Carrier:	
Employed by:	Work Phone:( <u>)</u> -	
Mother's Name:	Cell Phone:( <u>) -</u> Carrier:	
Employed by:	Work Phone <u>:( ) -</u>	
Guardian's Name:	Cell Phone:( <u>) -</u> Carrier:	
Employed by:	Work Phone:( <u>     )       -</u>	
Medical Information Family Physician:	Work Phone:( <u>)</u> -	
Insurance Company:	Policy Number:	
Name on insurance card:		
<ol> <li>Health History (Please attach a separant 1. Please list any illnesses or mediant 2. Medications- taking and/or allenses.</li> <li>Any activity restrictions?</li> </ol>	ical conditions.	
contracted prior to coming, please send us information to the physical proper treatment for, and order injection, and child to participate in all activities. I agree to he all inabilities, claims, demands, and causes of a child/ward. I realize, also, that in the event of ill	while on an activity with the above listed church group for injuries or promation necessary to give him/her proper medical service during the sysician selected by the church group sponsor representative to hosthesia, or surgery for my child as named above. I also hereby give old harmless the above named sponsor, the sponsoring church or graction whatsoever which may arise due to the participation of mysulness or injury while participating in its activities, medical treatment to be rendered, and I agree to bear the cost of such treatment.	this time. In case or spitalize, secure permission for my group from any and elf or my
Father's/Guardian's Signature Date	 Mother's/Guardian's Signature Date	-