

# MSM 2024

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## Who can apply?

All students who will be entering their 8<sup>th</sup> grade year in fall of 2024.

## What is RISE?

RISE is a leadership team for **8<sup>th</sup> grade students** who will serve during Vacation Bible School. VBS is a 4-day day program for children in grades 1-5 to learn about the gospel in a fun setting. The Middle School Ministry partners with the Kids ministry to serve with the children's program during this week.

Our goal in partnering is to show students what true selfless service looks like at a first hand level. Our students serve in the following ways: grade counselors, station assistants, and support staff. Our students also help prepare decorations and materials for the camp by attending at least one prep afternoon the week before camp (**July 2nd**). We train and equip our students to work with children; no previous experience is required.

Our students will be serving at our church VBS, which runs from **July 8-11th, from 8:30am-12:30pm**. Outside of VBS, we spend a considerable amount of time teaching and training on servant leadership. As we build upon the hands-on experience during the week, we spend time discussing and learning specifically from the Gospels' pictures of Jesus as the servant leader, with the hope that the students would take what they learn in this time into their spheres of influence and model Christ to their communities.

This week is a great time for eighth grade students to grow and learn more about what it means to serve others and grow in their relationship with Christ. We believe this time can be very beneficial and is fun, **but we do want to stress that this is a serious trip for students who desire to serve and grow. This will be a stretching experience.**



## Trip Information

**Cost:** \$100 (this includes: all meals, activities, transportation)

### General Information:

Students are with us from July 8th-11th. They will stay with us at church Monday, July 8th to Wednesday, July 10th. This will be in order to do team building activities and class bonding. We sleepover at church, work at VBS during the day and have various activities (like an Angels game) and training planned for each evening. We treat this week like an out-of-town service trip, and plan for students to be with us the entire time.

**Location:** Fullerton Free Campus.

### Application Process:

All incoming 8<sup>th</sup> grade students must apply to serve at VBS (online on a separate form). We will evaluate all applications and get back to you as soon as we can.

All applicants are responsible to give the Leader reference to one of their volunteer leaders (NOT KELLEN or NOHEMI)

### Important Dates:

Date	Description
Sunday, June 16th	Applications are due
Sunday, June 30th	\$100 Payment is Due
Tuesday, July 2th	VBS Training 9:30 am-12pm
M- Th, July 8th-11th	RISE

Due to the fact that training and prep times are incredibly important, we ask all students to commit to attending every one of the dates in order to be a member of this team.





5. What do you feel are some of your weaknesses?
6. How do you think you will respond to being challenged and stretched on this team?
7. What are one or two areas in your life that you would hope to grow this summer?
8. Do you foresee any problems with being at all the meetings? If so please explain.



## Leader Reference

Thank you for taking time to fill this out. The goal of RISE is to disciple students to model the servant leadership of Jesus. Please evaluate the applicant in light of that goal. Know that we are not looking for them to be perfect, but rather teachable and willing to be stretched and challenged. We also want to use the information you provide us with to know how to best minister to the individual should they be accepted. This will be turned in separately from the application.

Applicant's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

1. What would you say are the student's strengths?
2. What would you say are the student's weaknesses?
3. In what ways do you feel this student has displayed leadership?
4. In what ways do you feel this student has shown a desire to grow in their relationship with Christ?
5. How have you seen this student respond to stretching or challenging situations?
6. How would you recommend the students overall? (please circle one)  
With Enthusiasm                      With few reservations  
With reservations (not sure if student is ready for this challenge)



## Parent Reference

Thank you for taking time to fill this out. The goal of RISE is to disciple students to model the servant leadership of Jesus. Please evaluate the applicant in light of that goal. Know that we are not looking for them to be perfect, but rather teachable and willing to be stretched and challenged. We also want to use the information you provide us with to know how to best minister to the individual should they be accepted.

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

1. What would you say are your son or daughter's strengths?
2. What would you say are your son or daughter's weaknesses?
3. In what ways do you feel your teen has displayed leadership?
4. In what ways do you feel your student has shown a desire to grow in their relationship with Christ?
5. How have you seen your student respond to stretching or challenging situations?
6. In what ways do you feel your teen will benefit from participating with the RISE team?



## Commitment Form

Please take a moment to review the following commitments. Parents and students please initial next to each commitment.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am committed to the cost of RISE \$100

\_\_\_\_\_ I am committed to attending all scheduled training and meeting times.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am committed to being with the team from July 8 at 8am to July 11th at 6:00pm

\_\_\_\_\_ I am committed to treating my peers and leaders with respect.

I have read the requirements and time commitments above and am able to attend all meetings/trainings/trips, unless otherwise stated.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please return this form with your application.*