

SCOUTING REPORT

Camp Is Life-Changing!

"I cannot thank the staff enough for making camp the highlight of my summer for the past four summers. I am more than grateful for what this camp has taught me and given me. If I had not been talking into coming four years ago, my life would be so different. Thank you for bringing in the speakers you do, spending many, many hours preparing for this camp."

- Anonymous Camper

What does it take to run a successful camp? Let's begin at the top...God's presence and guidance is vital. Without God, we are nothing. From there we pray for godly leadership, wise decision making, and spiritual emphasis! Camp Staff has been meeting for months, planning, and strategically preparing. What else is needed for success? The key ingredients to a successful camp include:

- 8 staff: Directors, Program Directors, Huddle Leader Coordinators, Athletic Director, Administrators
- 2 full time nurses; 22 Huddle Leaders all volunteering to be with kids 24/7 for 5 days!
- 10-12 Court Coaches
- Dynamic speaker/chaplain and Worship Team
- 100+ Campers

But wait...don't forget the cabins, food, snacks, supplies, camp gear for every camper and staff, Bibles, game supplies, speaker fees and travel, worship team fees, camp expenses (golf carts, high ropes, etc.), and a few last-minute miscellaneous items to bless and thank our volunteers. What is the price tag? \$60,000 to deliver to you a life-changing camp that is priceless!

Most of our camp expenses are covered in camper fees and the funding we raise at our annual Golf Scramble. To cover all expenses, and make sure we do all we can to provide a place where kids grow in their faith and have a life-changing experience, we are seeking to raise camp funds prior to July 15th. Our goal is \$15,000. This will cover all projected expenses, including an estimated 45 scholarships to help campers attend camp. Currently, 27 scholarships have been submitted, asking anywhere from \$100 to \$325.

YOU are a faithful supporter to FCA, so I'm not asking for an additional gift (unless you want to give). I'm asking you today to pray. I'm also asking you to share this need with a friend or family member that would maybe consider helping. Simply share how you give and pray for this ministry. Invite them to do the same. Invite them to go to our website to donate or scan the QR code provided.

Thank you for your support, taking time to hear this request, and praying for camp! God bless you!

Rex Stump, Area Director

2023 FCA Leadership Camp

FCA Leadership Camp is a five day overnight camp for student-athletes and students who serve as leaders on their local campuses and in their communities. Camp focuses on teaching practical skills for Christian growth, the development as an effective campus leader and the training for spiritual, organizational and motivational tools for use in the FCA Campus Ministry.

Dates: July 15-29, 2023

Grades: 6-12

Location: Michindoh Conference Center 4545 E. Bacon Rd. • Hillsdale, MI 49242

Cost: \$400 after May 31, 2023 (Partial Scholarships Available)

Register online at: bbfca.org/camp

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A Note from Area Rep. Mindy Cross:

Our vision is to see the world transformed through Jesus Christ by the influence of coaches and athletes. Our mission is to lead every coach and athlete into a saving relationship with Jesus Christ and His church.

I read an article about a New Mexico teenager who took the lives of three people. As I read the article about this student athlete, my heart broke for him, his family and his teammates.

Wilson's mother, Lorry Rodriguez, recently spoke with NBC News, saying her son relied on his high school's varsity wrestling team for a sense of purpose as he dealt with his parents' divorce and falling behind in classes. "His life was going to practice, and when he didn't have that, he had nothing," Rodriguez told the outlet. "He didn't have nothing to work for. That's all he knew."

Believer or not, we are all broken people. After reading this article, my thoughts were what if this team had a Team Time, this school had a huddle, and what if he knew is identity was not in his sport but in the One Who created Him?

As FCA staff, it is our desire to show coaches and athletes that:

- They are unconditionally loved by our Heavenly Father.
- They were created in the image and likeness of God.
- He created their inmost being and knitted them together in their mother's womb.
- He knew them even before their bodies were formed.
- They are fearfully and wonderfully made.
- They were created on purpose for a purpose.
- They would be able to distinguish Who the God of the Bible really is vs Who the world says He is.

Thank you for your continued partnership with FCA to allow us to serve our coaches and athletes!

UPCOMING



July 15-19, 2023	FCA Leadership Camp - Hillsdale, MI
July 29, 2023	Coaches Clinic - Defiance, OH
August/September, 2023	Huddle Leader Training
September 23 2023	FCA Golf Scramble, Wauseon, OH
October 11, 2023	Fields of Faith

Spring Team Times



Pictured Above: Pictured is one of our Spring Team Times with the Defiance Baseball Team. Each season our staff and chaplains will work with over 20 teams on a weekly basis, providing encouragement, spiritual hope, direction, and team building opportunities.

2023 Coaches Clinic

All coaches of every sport and competition are invited to our FCA Coaches Clinic. How to create a healthy culture, dealing with coaching challenges, and finding practical means to build teams will be addressed. Join us for an engaging, equipping and empowering time!

- Saturday, July 29, 2023
- 8:30 am Registration begins
- 9:00 am Noon Clinic Sessions
 - Defiance College

Serrick Center (Hubbard Banquet Room) 701 N. Clinton St. • Defiance, OH 43512

• \$5 per person

Drinks and a light snack will be provided, along with coaching resources!

For more information, contact us at (419) 583-7013 or rstump@fca.org.

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