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Parent Packet 2010-2011

Welcome!

Dear Parent,

Welcome to Resonate|High! This next year is going to be very exciting for you as a parent but also for your high school student! High school is a time for students to really make their faith their own and grow in their relationship with Christ. The expectations will increase as will their hunger and thirst for God!

Ministry for your high school student at home and at church can be challenging, scary, frustrating, yet unbelievably rewarding. During your child's high school career you can have a significant impact on your their spiritual journey. It is our hope to partner with you in ministry; that we will support and compliment what you are doing at home to encourage them to be pursuing God, unconditionally inviting and selfless serving.

Thank you for being part of Resonate|High! Becky and I consider it a privilege to serve you and your student. We are so excited to see what God will do in your family and how He will MOVE in this ministry!

Sincerely,

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Values

Pursuing God

We desire to see every student in a constant pursuit of God. That may be a visitor who is *exploring* who Jesus is and what a relationship might look like with Him. It can also be a student who is *growing* in Christ as they continue their walk with their Creator. We believe that every student should be actively seeking the face of God in all they do. (Exodus 40:34-38)

Unconditional Inviting

We are encouraging our students to create a culture of inviting their friends and peers to know Jesus *no matter who they are*, where they come from, or how they act. Every student is capable of inviting, from a surface invitation based on a desire to not be alone on a new endeavor, to an intentional invitation to a friend or peer who desperately needs the love, mercy, and forgiveness of God.

(Luke 5:17-26)

Selfless Serving

Students desire a genuine relationship with God and also one that is not solely based on information. High schoolers desire to live out their faith and experience life change. Serving allows us to grow deeper in our relationship with God and also allows our students to impact the lives of those in their schools and communities which will resonate to the state, country, and world!

(Mark 10:45)

Vision

Summer Vision:

Preparing our hearts to receive the values that define our ministry.

Fall Vision:

Gaining a passion for Jesus and sharing it in our community.

Programs

Resonate | High

This is our large community for our students to *intentionally and unconditionally invite* their friends to *pursue God* with them. It is defined by the high energy and excitement with fun, worship, community, and relevant biblical truth! This is a non-threatening environment that will allow non-Christians to explore Christ and challenge our Christian students in discipling these students.

During the summer we will meet: Every Wednesday night 7:00-8:30pm in A-101

(unless stated differently on the Resonate Summer Calendar for special events)

Resonate | Groups

Resonate|Groups are for discipleship, which we define as applied Bible. They will encourage students to engage in a more intimate level of *pursuing God* with an adult leader and other students. Groups are closed to provide a better level of accountability and comfort. We will have open enrollment twice a semester and ask for a 2 month commitment upon enrollment. We require attendance of at least 75% attendance. This is optional and is for those students who are serious about growing in their relationship with God.

Open enrollment begins August 11, 2010 Groups begin September 12, 2010

Helping your student *Pursue God*

Pray

Prayer is powerful! Pray for your family and for this ministry. Pray with your child and develop a lifestyle of prayer in your family. Let your child see that prayer is a priority.

Make Church a priority

If someone is sick, they go to the doctor...it's not an option. Church is a place where we worship with other believers and learn more about God so that we can grow.

Read the Bible at home

Let your teen know that God's Word is important to you and your family. Share with them what God is teaching you and what you have been reading about in your Bible study time.

Look for teachable moments

Nothing teaches better than an experience. As your teen grows and matures be aware of those moments that you can speak into their spiritual life.

Be active in your child's life...Spiritually and Socially

Ask questions and don't settle for a "ho-hum" response. As parents you can be aware and in the know without hovering, as your child would say.

Model, model and model!

Helping your student Unconditionally Invite

Talk about Resonate|High

The way you talk about Resonate|High can encourage success or failure. As God works through Resonate|High share those success stories with people you know. If a parent is seeking a place for their teen to belong, suggest Resonate.

Offer rides

As your teen begins to invite their friends many will want to be part of Resonate but just can't get there for whatever reason...being willing to get a student to Resonate might be what gets them closer to Jesus Christ.

Encourage your student to invite their friends & neighbors

Each Wednesday, ask your student who they invited. During the week, encourage your teen to be inviting their friends. Pray with them as they invite and continue to encourage them. Most students at Resonate will invite their friends and most will be rejected. Let your teen know that it is ok and to keep asking.

Model, model and model!

For more info on unconditionally inviting visit: http://resonate.adventurechurch.org/high/invite

Helping your student Serve

Serve as a family

Find a way to serve in the church, your community and globally. As your child sees service as a priority to you and your family they will grow in their passion to serve.

Volunteer

Using your time, energy and skills for others can make an eternal difference in their life. For more information about volunteering with Resonate Student Ministries contact Cindy Mendoza at cmendoza@adventurechurch.org or 916-771-5683 ext.1108

Look for opportunities in the community

We don't need to go to a far away country to serve others. There are plenty of opportunities for us to serve right here. Be aware of the needs around you and your teen.

Start now

If you and your family are not already serving...find a way to start now.

Model, model and model!

For more info on selfless serving visit: http://resonate.adventurechurch.org/high/serve

How To Stay Connected

Check the website: http://resonate.adventurechurch.org/high

You will find all the information you need about Resonate|High on the website. You will see what series we are going through, what events are coming up, the exciting things that have happened weeks prior, pictures from past events, podcast of the messages, and contact information. I would suggest checking the Resonate|High website twice a week.

Get a Facebook

Facebook is a great way to communicate lots of information to lots of people very quickly. Be our friends on Facebook and "like" Resonate|High to get updated regularly. (need help setting up your Facebook account...just ask us)

Sign Up for the E-Newsletter

Email is the fastest and easiest way to communicate a lot of information to a lot of people. I send out a monthly E-Newsletter that includes some highlights of Resonate|High and what to be aware of. To receive the Resonate|High E-Newsletter you can sign up on the website OR email me saying you would like to be added.

Ask Your Student

Wednesday nights are fun and exciting but also challenging. Make it a habit of asking your child what happened on at Resonate and what God is currently teaching them. Don't settle for, "it was good".

Hang out with us!

Regardless of what your teen says, you are ALWAYS welcome to any program at any time! We encourage parents to come and check out Resonate|High on Wednesday nights just to see what their child is part of.

Volunteer with us

We are always in need of adult leaders who are willing to use their abilities to impact the lives of high school students. If you are interested in serving in any way just let us know...we would love to talk with you!

Communicate with me and the Resonate Staff

Please never hesitate to call, email, text or facebook us anytime! I am here to serve you and your student...let me know how things are going and what I can be doing to better serve you and your teen.