



# UCC STUDENT NEWS

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## AT A GLANCE

**04/20**

Monday Lunch  
Guy's Devo - 7 pm

**04/21**

The Market at Tierra Blanca -  
6:00 pm

**04/22**

Open Gym - 6:00 pm  
Huddles - 7:00 pm

**04/24**

Friday Night Live - 6:00-9:00

**05/03**

Senior Sunday

**05/20**

Ice Cream Social (Everyone  
invited)

**06/01-03**

[Missions in Amarillo \(MIA - JH\)](#)

**06/07-12**

[Mission Arlington \(HS\)](#)

**06/18**

[Mystery Trip \(JH\)](#)

**06/28-07/04**

Camp Blue Haven - 3rd Session

**07/13-15**

UCC VBS

**07/19-25**

Camp Blue Haven - 5th Session

**08/03-05**

[End of Summer Retreat](#)

## Summer Schedule

Most of you are aware of our schedule, but I wanted to post this so that you know that you should expect the same things for this summer as we bring Pierce on board. His first day is June 1st, which is the first day of MIA. Talking about jumping in the deep end. But Andrew Monk has been coordinating that and will take the lead. I will still be going to Arlington. The hope is for this to allow Pierce to focus on building relationships and to have some guidance.

You can sign up for all events by clicking the event name on the left or on the last page that describes them. Here's a few other things I want you to be aware of:

- 1. Incoming 6th graders can attend Missions in Amarillo (MIA) -** Allowing our incoming 6th graders to participate in MIA is a chance for students to get a taste of being in the youth group, as it may be a little overwhelming for their first full summer. Which brings me to...
- 2. Incoming 7th graders can participate in all youth activities this summer -** Typically we promote students to the next Sunday school class in August, but the summer is an incredibly important time for students to integrate into the youth group so they can get to know the students, but also so that they can begin building a relationship with the

rest of the group. Unless an event is specifically meant for high school or for the opposite sex, the incoming 7th graders will be welcome.

- 3. Incoming Freshman can participate in events for JH and HS -** This includes Mission Arlington. It is important to help the new members in the group learn the ropes and possibly serve as their mentors, but also to use the summer to gain mentors that will help them through high school.
- 4. Early Bird Specials -** There will be two deadlines for trips. One will be the hard deadline and price, the earlier deadline will be at a discounted price.
- 5. Family Discounts -** While I always try to do my best to keep our costs down, I am particularly mindful of families that may have multiple children in the youth group. You will find that there will be a form within the registration forms. Simply submit one of those forms for each of your kids and then you can pay for everything at once through the main form.

Details for individual events over the summer are at the end of the newsletter. If you have any questions let me know. Have a great weekend!

# Summer Schedule

The summer is a busy time for everyone. Here are the big events that we have planned for this summer, along with the cost for those trips. You can click the event name to go to the sign up form **Remember there will be two dates and prices based on if you sign up and pay (or make arrangements to pay) before the Early Bird deadline.** If the cost will keep your child from being with us, please let me know.

## June 1st-3rd - [JH Missions in Amarillo](#) - \$40 (by May 21st)/\$20 (by May 10th)

Missions in Amarillo (MIA) may be one of my favorite things that we do over the summer. This is a great way to expose our students to ministries in our own backyard. This is for incoming 6th grade-freshman. We will end up performing a variety of service projects in Amarillo, some of what we can do may be limited but I think we proved over Spring Break that there is plenty of work to be done in our area. **I am going to be in need of host homes to house the kids over this week.**

## June 7-12th - [HS Mission Arlington](#) - \$150 (by May 31st)/\$130 (by May 17th)

Students run a VBS in apartment complexes in the area as well as helping the Mission in sorting clothes, distributing food, and other ministries the Mission is involved in. The Mission believes it is very important that this is student led (and I have witnessed this to be true). **I would love to have at least three other adults accompany me on the trip**, they will mainly be there for supervision and driving vans. We will be working Monday-Thursday and will do something fun on Friday before coming home.

## June 18th - [JH Mystery Trip](#) - \$70 (by June 14th)/\$50 (by May 29th)

For our mystery trip, we load up the incoming 7th graders to freshman in vans early in the morning and spend the day somewhere within four hours of here. I try to pick a place or activity that may be new for the students and we will return late that night. **I would love to have at least three other adults accompany me on the trip.**

## June 28th-July 4th, July 19-25th Camp Blue Haven

Traditionally the majority of our students have gone to 5th session (July 13-19th) of Camp Blue Haven, but we have had a growing number attend 3rd session (June 22nd-28th). Enough so that **Bryan and Susan Hackett will be taking a van with them to 3rd session.** Look for sign ups or ask us if you need a ride. We will be taking three vans to 5th session.

## August 3rd-5th - [End of Summer Retreat](#) - \$95 (by July 26th)/\$75 (by July 12th)

We have been closing out our summer with a retreat to give our interns a final project. It has turned into a great way to wrap up the summer and to send them off!

