



KidsGames
2026

**VOLUNTEER
INFORMATION
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Welcome

What is KidsGames?

KidsGames is a four-week Christian sports and creative arts camp for children entering Pre-K through 6th grade. It's a place where kids experience fun, friendship, creativity, and encouragement while learning values like kindness, teamwork, and faith.

Throughout the week, campers experience:

- Exciting sports and active games
- Creative arts and hands-on building activities
- Friendship, teamwork, and community
- Encouragement and faith-based values

Our Mission & Heart for Camp

Volunteers are the heart of KidsGames.

Every activity you lead, every conversation you have, and every moment of encouragement help shape a child's experience. Your presence helps create a place where kids feel welcomed, supported, and excited to be part of the KidsGames community.

For many volunteers, KidsGames becomes one of the most meaningful and fun weeks of the summer. It's an opportunity to serve, build relationships, and be part of something that makes a lasting difference in the lives of children and families.

As a volunteer, you play an important role in helping create this experience. You may help lead activities, guide small groups of campers, assist rotation coaches, or help create a fun and welcoming environment for everyone.

You don't need to plan activities—we provide the lesson plans, materials, and support teams. Your role is to help guide the activity, encourage campers, and bring energy and positivity to the experience.

Who Can Participate

You must be going into 7th grade in the fall of 2026 to volunteer this year. There is no upper age limit—if you love serving kids and bring the energy, there is a place for you.

You do not need to attend North Coast Calvary Chapel to volunteer at KidsGames.

Camp Overview

Theme – Build Your Kingdom Here

This year marks the **25th anniversary of KidsGames**, and we have so much to celebrate! For 25 years, KidsGames has been impacting children and families through sports, creativity, faith, and community.

KidsGames 2026 Camp Weeks

Week 1 – June 15–19

Week 2 – June 22–26

Week 3 – June 29–July 2 (*short week – no Friday*)

Week 4 – July 6–10

Theme Days

Weeks 1,2 & 3

Monday – Camp T-Shirt Day

Tuesday – Crazy Sock Day

Wednesday – Crazy Hair Day

Thursday – Water Day

Friday – Team Color Day

Week 3

Monday – Camp T-Shirt Day

Tuesday – Crazy Hair Day

Wednesday – Water Day

Thursday – All American Color Day

KidsGames Programs at a Glance

KidsGames includes two age-based programs that run during the camp week. Each program is designed to create a fun, safe, and engaging experience for the campers at that age level. Volunteers serve in both programs, helping lead activities, encourage campers, and create a welcoming environment.

KidsGames Junior (Pre-K / Ages 4–5)

KidsGames Jr. is designed especially for our youngest campers. The program focuses on play, creativity, movement, and simple structured activities that help young children feel safe, confident, and excited to participate.

Each day, campers rotate through Art, Indoor and Outdoor Play, Sports, and Bible time.

KidsGames (1st–6th Grade)

The main KidsGames program serves campers entering 1st through 6th grade. Each day, campers rotate through a variety of sports, creative arts, and hands-on activities designed to keep them active, engaged, and having fun.

Activity rotations may include sports, engineering, cooking, science, outdoor games, creative arts, and more. These rotations help campers explore new interests, build confidence, and develop friendships.

Choosing Your Volunteer Application Form

Depending on your **school grade in Fall 2026**, you will complete the appropriate volunteer application.

- Students entering **7th or 8th grade** → Complete the **7th–8th Grade Application Form**
- Students entering **9th–12th grade** → Complete the **9th–12th Grade Application Form**
- Graduating seniors or students turning **18 before June 15 and Adults** → Complete the **Adult Volunteer Application Form**

Students in **6th grade and younger are not eligible to volunteer**, but are welcome

to attend KidsGames as campers.

Youth Volunteer Overview

7th or 8th grade volunteers serve in our KidsGames Jr. program (ages 4–5). In these roles, volunteers may serve as Jr. Small Group Guides (JSGGs), Jr. Tribe Leaders, or Jr. Coaches, assisting leaders, helping guide activities, and creating a fun, safe, and encouraging environment where younger campers feel welcomed, supported, and excited to be at camp. See below for a full list of volunteer opportunities for 7th- and 8th-graders.

Our 9th-12th Grade volunteers serve in our 1st–6th grade program, supporting campers as Small Group Guides (SGGs), Tribe Leaders, or Coaches. In these roles, volunteers assist rotation leaders and create a fun, safe, and encouraging environment for campers. See below for a full list of volunteer opportunities for 9th-12th Grade.

Adults (18+) Volunteer Overview

Adult volunteers serve in a variety of roles throughout the camp, including Coaches, Rotation Leaders, Hospitality, and Guest Services. In these roles, volunteers help guide activities, support campers, assist with camp operations, and work alongside our youth volunteers to create a fun, safe, and welcoming environment for every child. See below for a full list of adult volunteer Opportunities.

Volunteer Childcare & Camper Discount

We provide **free childcare for the children of KidsGames volunteers**, serving **infants through 3 years old**. This childcare is available for **parents or grandparents who are volunteering at KidsGames. Childcare for ages 3 and under is FREE.**

If you have a child who will be attending KidsGames as a **camper**, you will receive **50% off camper registration for the week(s) you volunteer**. We will send you a **discount code** to use when registering.

Volunteer opportunities - Choose where you serve

7th & 8th Grade Volunteer Opportunities

- **Junior Small Group Guide (JSGG)** – Support a small group of 4–5-year-old campers throughout the day, helping guide them between activities, encouraging participation, and creating a fun, welcoming environment.
- **Junior Tribe Leader** – Help lead worship by doing hand motions from the front and assist Small Group Guides in supporting the entire animal/color group during large group times.
- **Junior Art Coach Assistant** – Help with art activities for 4–5-year-old campers, assisting the Art Coach with creative projects and encouraging campers as they participate.
- **Junior Outdoor Play Coach Assistant** – Help with outdoor play activities for 4–5-year-old campers, such as relay games, obstacle courses, or the mini race track, while encouraging participation and helping the activity run smoothly.
- **Junior Indoor Play Coach Assistant** – Help with indoor play for 4–5-year-old campers, including imaginative play areas and simple games, while creating a fun and welcoming space.

9th - 12th Grade Volunteer Opportunities

- **1st–6th Grade Small Group Guide** - Lead and care for a small group of campers as you guide them through their daily rotations and activities. Small Group Guides help build friendships, encourage participation, and create a fun, safe environment. You will typically care for about 8 campers and will follow the direction and support of your Color Captain, who oversees your color group.
- **1st–6th Grade Tribe Leader (Must be 16 or older)** - Help lead the energy and excitement of your color group! Tribe Leaders lead hand motions for worship songs from the stage and support the Small Group Guides and campers within their color group. During Bible Time, which is led by our production team, Tribe Leaders may assist with activities, participation, and helping campers stay engaged.
- **1st–6th Grade Coach Assistant** - Assist the Lead Coach in one of the sports

or creative activity areas. Volunteers help set up their activity area, keep materials organized throughout the day, and help tidy up at the end of camp. Most importantly, Coach Assistants engage with campers, encourage participation, and help create a fun and positive environment.

(See the descriptions of each sport and creative area to help you choose where you would like to serve.)

- **Special Needs Buddy** - Serve alongside a camper who may need a little extra support throughout the day. Special Needs Buddies accompany their camper to all activities, helping them participate, offering encouragement, and assisting with modified activities when needed. This role helps ensure every camper feels included, supported, and able to fully enjoy KidsGames.

Adult Volunteer Opportunities

KidsGames volunteers help create an incredible summer experience for campers. KidsGames provides lesson plans, materials, and youth volunteers to assist, while adult volunteers help lead activities, encourage campers, and create a fun and welcoming environment.

Create & Build

Love creativity, building, experimenting, or hands-on projects? These stations help campers explore, imagine, and discover.

Activity Creative Coaches (1st–6th Grade)

- Engineering Coach – Guide campers as they design and build creative inventions. Weeks 1,2 & 4
- Science Lab Coach – Lead hands-on experiments and fun discoveries.
- Create Space (Art) Coach – Help campers create unique art projects.
- Imagination Station Coach – Lead themed creative challenges and adventures
- Kindness Lab Coach – Guide kindness projects that help others.
- Gardening Lab Coach – Lead planting and creative gardening activities.
- Outdoor Art Coach – Guide outdoor art projects such as spray-bottle art and nature crafts.
- Cooking Coach – Help campers prepare simple recipes inspired by foods around the world.

Activity Sport Coaches (1st–6th Grade)

- Playground Coach – Supervise free-choice games like gaga ball, 4-square, and crafts.
- Parkour Coach – Guide campers through obstacle courses and movement challenges.
- Flag Football Coach
- Soccer Coach
- Pickleball Coach
- Sports Day Games Coach – Lead classic field-day style team competitions.

Lead Our Youngest Campers

KidsGames Junior (4–5 Year Olds)

- Junior Art Coach – Lead simple hands-on art projects.
- Junior Indoor Play Coach – Guide imaginative play and indoor games.
- Junior Outdoor Play Coach – Lead fun outdoor games and obstacle courses.
- POD Leader – Lead a group of about 25 campers alongside a team of approximately 10 youth volunteers, between their scheduled activities throughout the day, helping keep campers engaged and organized.

Support & Encourage Campers

- **Buddy (Guide for Special Needs Child)** - Serve alongside a camper who may need additional support throughout the day. Buddies accompany their camper to all activities and help them feel included and supported.
- **Nursery Assistant (Babies–3 Years Old)** - Care for the youngest children of KidsGames volunteers in a safe and nurturing environment while their parents serve.

Medical Team

- **Nurse** - Provide basic medical care for campers and volunteers during the camp day. This role helps respond to minor injuries and ensure camper health and safety. (Must be a trained Nurse, RN, or EMT.)
- **Nurse Assistant** - Support the camp nurse by assisting with first aid needs and helping keep the health station organized.

Welcome & Support

- **Monday Morning Registration / Check-In Team** - Time Commitment: Mondays, 7:00 AM – 9:30 AM. Help welcome families as they arrive for camp. Volunteers assist with camper check-in, confirm camper information, distribute camper wristbands and parent pickup tags, and help direct campers to the correct group.
- **Welcome and Late Check-In Host** - Time Commitment: Monday – Friday, 7:45 AM – 9:30 AM. Help welcome families who arrive after the main check-in period and guide campers to their assigned group or activity area.
- **Guest Services Team Member** - Serve as a welcoming point of contact for families and visitors. Help answer questions, assist with check-in needs, and help families navigate KidsGames.

Hospitality Team

- **Breakfast Team Member** - Help prepare and serve breakfast for KidsGames volunteers and staff in the morning.
- **Snack Team Member** - Help organize and distribute snacks for campers during the camp day.
- **Friday Lunch Team Member** - Help prepare and serve the volunteer appreciation lunch on Friday.

Operations & Behind the Scenes

- **Safety Team Member** - Help monitor the campus and assist with maintaining a safe environment during camp.
- **Production Team Member (Sound)** - Assist with running sound during large group gatherings and stage activities.
- **T-Shirt Distribution Team Member** - Help organize and distribute KidsGames shirts to campers and volunteers before and during camp.

Set-Up Team Member

- Sunday before KidsGames – 12:45 PM – 3:45 PM - Help prepare the campus for the upcoming week of KidsGames by setting up activity areas, moving equipment, organizing supplies, and transforming the space for camp.

Sport and Creative Activities Explained

KidsGames Junior Program Activities

- **Art** - Campers explore creativity through simple hands-on art projects such as painting, coloring, and crafting. This rotation encourages imagination while helping campers create something fun to take home.
- **Indoor Play** - A fun space for imaginative play, building, and simple games where campers develop friendships, creativity, and teamwork.
- **Outdoor Play** - Active outdoor fun, including relay races, obstacle courses, and the mini race track.
- **Sports Zone** - Campers rotate through a Sports Zone led by one of NCCC's local sports partners.

1st - 6th Grade Program Core Activity Rotations

(Each week, campers will go to each of these stations.)

- **Playground** - A free-choice outdoor activity area where campers can choose what they'd like to do. Options may include 4-square, gaga ball, bead making, board games, dress-up, and more. Help supervise activities, encourage inclusive play, and make sure campers are having fun in a safe environment.
- **Parkour** - A fun movement course where campers climb, jump, balance, and navigate obstacles while building confidence, coordination, and teamwork. Help guide campers through the course, encourage them to try new challenges, and keep the activity flowing safely.
- **Engineering** - Campers will design and build creative structures, test drop zones, and experiment to see if their inventions can withstand different challenges. Encourage creativity, help campers problem-solve, and assist the lead coach in preparing and facilitating the lesson. Weeks 1, 2 & 4.
- **Cooking** - Campers will explore flavors from around the world! Each week features a different theme such as Asian, Mexican, Italian, and during Fourth of July week, All-American favorites. Help guide campers through recipes, assist with preparation, and keep the kitchen area organized.
- **Science Lab** - Hands-on experiments like fingerprinting, exciting chemical reactions, slime making, and other fun discoveries. Encourage creativity, assist campers during activities., and assist the lead coach in preparing and facilitating the lesson.
- **Create Space (Art)** - A creative space where campers can design and build their own projects using a variety of materials and artistic tools. Encourage

creativity, assist with projects, and help keep supplies organized.

- **Imagination Station** - Campers will explore a variety of hands-on activities that spark creativity, imagination, and fun. Each week will feature different themed experiences, creative building challenges, or interactive adventures. Help facilitate and setup the activity, encourage creativity, and guide campers through the experience.
- **Kindness Lab** - Through creative projects and simple acts of care, campers will discover how kindness and serving others can make a meaningful impact. Help campers understand the impact of kindness and guide them through the projects.

Weekly Sports Activities (1st–6th Grade) - Campers choose between the Sport 1 activities at the start of the session. These differ slightly each week.

Week 1

Sport 1: Flag Football or Gardening Lab
Sport 2: Pickleball

Week 2

Sport 1: Soccer or Outdoor Art
Sport 2: Dance

Week 3

Sport 1: Flag Football or Gardening Lab
Sport 2: Sports Day Games

Week 4

Sport 1: Soccer or Outdoor Art
Sport 2: Hip Hop

- **Gardening Lab** - Hands-on gardening projects such as potting herbs, planting flowers, or creating mini gardens. Help guide projects and encourage creativity, set up and assist campers.
- **Outdoor Art** - Creative projects like spray bottle art, rock painting, pebble mosaics, and other nature-inspired crafts. Help guide projects and encourage creativity, setup and assist campers.
- **Hip Hop** - Led by an experienced Hip Hop dance instructor from Blessed Feet Studios. As a Youth Assistant, you will help support the instructor by encouraging campers, helping demonstrate simple moves, keeping campers engaged, and organizing the campers during the class. (9th - 12th Grade

assistants only)

- **Sports Day Games** - Classic field-day style activities featuring a variety of team challenges and energetic games. Help organize games, encourage teamwork, and keep the energy high.

Volunteer Time Commitment & Training

Youth Volunteers

Monday – Early Arrival

Volunteers arrive at **7:15 AM** to help prepare for the day and assist with **early camper check-in or area setup**.

Tuesday–Friday

Volunteer shift runs **7:30 AM – 12:45 PM**.

Friday

Friday includes **camp clean-up before dismissal** to help wrap up the week.

Adult Volunteers

The times listed below apply to all Adult Coaches and Operational Volunteers. All other volunteer roles have role-specific times listed above.

Monday – Early Arrival

Volunteers arrive at **7:15 AM** to help prepare for the day and assist with area setup.

Tuesday–Friday

Volunteer shift runs **7:30 AM – 12:45 PM**.

Friday

Friday includes **camp clean-up before dismissal** to help wrap up the week.

Youth Volunteer Training

Mandatory In-Person training for youth ALL Volunteers!

Saturday, May 30 - 2:30 – 4:30 PM

OR

Tuesday, June 2 - 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Training is interactive and prepares volunteers for real camp situations. You'll also have a chance to ask any questions you may have.

Adult Information Sessions

In-Person Session - Sunday, May 31 - 10:15 AM

Zoom Session - Wednesday, June 10 - 6:30 PM *(Zoom link will be sent closer to the date.)*

During the Adult session, we'll share exciting highlights for KidsGames 2026, discuss your role as an adult volunteer, and the meaningful impact you'll have on campers and youth volunteers, both relationally and spiritually. You'll also have a chance to ask any questions you may have.

Volunteer Application Process

Youth Volunteer Application Process

- **Application & References** - After submitting your application, KidsGames will review your information and contact your references. Please contact your (2) references to let them know they will be receiving an email from kidsgames@northcoastcalvary.org.
- **Contact from the KidsGames Team** - You can expect someone from our KidsGames Team to follow up with you.
- **Volunteer Agreement** - We will email you the Volunteer Agreement for you to read and electronically sign. (This must be completed in order to volunteer.)
- **Parent/Guardian Waiver:** We will email your parent/guardian the waiver for them to read and electronically sign. (This must be completed in order to volunteer.)
- **Area Placement Notification** - You will receive confirmation of your assigned area before camp begins. All placements are filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

- Volunteers who register by May 8 will receive area placement by mid-May.
- Volunteers who register after May 8 will receive area placement by early June.
- If you register after June 2nd, a KidsGames team member will reach out to you to let you know your placement and next steps.

SMALL GROUP GUIDES: COLOR GROUP ASSIGNMENTS WILL NOT BE PROVIDED UNTIL ONE WEEK BEFORE YOU VOLUNTEER.

Adult Volunteer Process

- **Application & References** - After submitting your application, the team will review your information and contact your references. Please contact your (2) references to let them know they will be receiving an email from kidsgames@northcoastcalvary.org.
- **Contact from the KidsGames Team** - You can expect someone from our KidsGames Team to follow up with you.
- **California Mandated Reporting Training:** California law requires all volunteers (18+) in youth service organizations to complete mandated reporter training annually. This training is designed to help volunteers recognize and report suspected child abuse or neglect. This will be emailed to you within 3 weeks of applying.
- **Complete a Live Scan Background Check:** Volunteers 18+ are required by law to have a Live Scan done. If this is your first time volunteering at North Coast Calvary Chapel, you must have a Live Scan completed. You only need to complete this once; ***if you have ALREADY done a Live Scan for NCCC, you DO NOT need to redo it. Live Scan done for an organization other than NCCC does not count.***
- **Area Placement Notification:** By the end of May, you will be informed of the area to which you have been assigned. Our team will be in contact with you before this to discuss the area you will be leading or volunteering in.

Volunteer Policies

Friend Request Policy

KidsGames values teamwork, flexibility, and a strong sense of community among our volunteers. While we understand that some volunteers may wish to serve alongside a friend, the following guidelines apply:

- Each volunteer may submit one (1) friend request.
- Your friend request must also choose to serve in the same volunteer role as you.
- Friend requests are not guaranteed and will be considered based on overall camp needs, role availability, age requirements, and scheduling.
- Mutual requests are encouraged but still cannot be guaranteed.
- **No friend requests will be accepted after June 2nd.** Requests submitted after this date will not be considered under any circumstances.
- All volunteer placements are ultimately determined by KidsGames leadership to ensure the safest, most effective, and most balanced camp experience.

By serving at KidsGames, volunteers agree to be flexible and supportive of placement decisions, trusting that assignments are made with the best interest of campers and the overall program in mind.

NOTE: If a friend is assigned to the same area and you are found to be prioritizing time with your friend instead of fulfilling your assigned role, you will be separated and reassigned.

What is your cell phone policy?

Please refrain from bringing any cell phones to kidsgames. Campers and Volunteers carrying cell phones will be asked to turn them off and put them away during program hours. KidsGames will not be responsible for lost or stolen phones brought to camp.

What is the policy regarding photography and videography?

The KidsGames summer camp event will be recorded through film and photography by designated staff members. The materials collected during the

event may be utilized for promotional purposes in the future, including but not limited to images for the website, social media content, and printed brochures for advertising.