

FAIROAKSCHURCH

# STUDENTS

## Hume Lake Summer Camp FAQs

We're so excited for Hume Lake 2026 (July 5–11)! Below are answers to some of the most common questions to help you and your student prepare.

**Q: Who can attend Hume Lake with Fair Oaks Church?**

A: All incoming 9th–12th grade students (for the 2026–27 school year) are invited to join us for Ponderosa. All incoming 6th - 8th grade students (for the 2026-27 school year) are invited to join us for Meadow Ranch. Priority registration is given to regular attenders.

**Q: Who qualifies as a “regular attender”?**

A: A regular attender is defined as a student who has participated in at least 8 youth program gatherings (Sundays and/or Wednesdays) within the last 4 months.

\*\*\*Attendance will be verified before priority registration is granted.

**Q: What is the cost of camp?**

A: The cost is **\$929**. This includes:

- Camp registration at Hume Lake
- Transportation to and from camp
- A Fair Oaks Church counselor for the week

We know this is a big investment, and we don't want cost to be a barrier. Fundraising opportunities and need-based scholarships are available (see below).

**Q: When does registration open?**

A: Registration opens **mid-February 2026** for regular attenders. Open registration for everyone begins **late February 2026**. Exact dates will be announced closer to these dates.

**Q: Are scholarships or fundraising opportunities available?**

A: Yes! We offer both need-based scholarships and fundraising opportunities through the **Mission Auction**.

- **Mission Auction Agreement:** To participate, each student must contribute **4 auction items** by the set date, attend the training session during auction week, and serve at the entire event. By signing up, you agree to these requirements and to be contacted by our Missions Director with details.

Additional fundraising opportunities may be available as well. If you would like to help coordinate fundraising efforts, please contact Jessica.



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**Q: What are prayer partners?**

A: Every student attending Hume will be paired with a **Prayer Partner**—a church member who commits to pray for them before and during camp. We also host a **Prayer Partner Lunch** the first Sunday of June, where students and prayer partners meet and begin building a supportive relationship. Attendance at the lunch is expected for all campers.

**Q: What is the cell phone policy at camp?**

A: To help students disconnect and be fully present, we're asking that:

- Phones remain in cabins during all program hours.
- Students may use phones during free time.
- If a student is found using a phone outside free time, a leader may hold onto it and return it at the next free time.

Please note: Hume is adding a cell phone tower before next summer, so service will be more reliable than in the past.

**Q: Where is Hume Lake and how will students get there?**

A: Hume Lake Christian Camps is located in the Sequoia National Forest (about 4.5 hours from Fair Oaks). Transportation is included in the camp cost, and students will travel together on chartered buses and personal vehicles with Fair Oaks staff and leaders.

**Q: What is a typical day like at Hume?**

A: Students will enjoy:

- Morning chapel with worship and teaching
- Recreation with big team games and activities.
- Afternoon free time (lake activities, tournaments, hiking, and more)
- Evening worship and camp-wide activities
- Late-night cabin discussions led by Fair Oaks counselors

**Q: What should students pack?**

A: A full packing list will be provided closer to camp, but essentials include:

- Bible, journal, and pen
- Modest clothing for a week of camp (including warm layers for evenings)
- Swimwear (modest, one-piece suits or dark t-shirts over two-piece suits for girls)
- Sleeping bag, pillow, and toiletries
- Spending money for the camp store and snack shop (optional)

**Q: Who do I contact with more questions?**

A: Please email: [lsteward@fairoaks.church](mailto:lsteward@fairoaks.church) & [jbenton@fairoaks.church](mailto:jbenton@fairoaks.church)

