



## **Welcome to DNow 2026!**

Disciple Now (DNow) is a great mid-year dive into a teenager's faith walk. They spend a few days diving deep, building new friendships and having a blast! In preparation for the weekend, we believe God wants to begin moving in the hearts and minds of our youth. Whether you're a participant, a camp volunteer or a parent/guardian, pray alongside us, that...

- Teenagers would invite friends to join them.
- Teenagers would invest in their own faith walk in a life-defining way..
- God would move powerfully in the lives of our youth in ways we could never ask, think or imagine.

We're buttoning up logistics, praying that God would move in every moment - planned and unplanned - and this memory-making event would be pivotal in the life of every teenager and volunteer who participates!

We know leading your teenager is a sacred trust - we treat it with high regard! Thank you for allowing us to be a small part in your family's faith story!

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## **What is it?**

DNow is a weekend experience designed for Coastal Bend teenagers and their friends. It's an opportunity to spend the weekend dialed into faith and discipleship - a chance to discover new things about God, forge new relationships with new friends and fortify existing ones. We believe DNow is a super-charged weekend for teenagers – one that propels their faith walk forward.

## **When is it?**

Friday, February 6 - Sunday, February 8, 2026

Students will arrive at Grace Community at 5:30 PM (luggage and bedroom in tow!) The event kicks off at our church with our youth group!

## **Where is it?**

Grace Community Church  
Host Homes (with all adults screened for safety)  
First Baptist Church, Corpus Christi  
Second Baptist Church, Corpus Christi  
Various serving locations

## **What will we do?**

We'll have a TON of experiences throughout the weekend, including:

- Large group worship experiences with teenagers from around the city.
- Small group/host home time with friends from our youth group only.
- Mass rec time (bring a nerf gun!)
- Serving experiences throughout the city
- And MORE!

## **What's the cost?**

\$50 | total cost. Full payment must be submitted by January 31 to confirm registration.

### **ALL PAYMENTS SUBMITTED ARE NON-REFUNDABLE**

We have a limited number of partial scholarships. Just e-mail Pastor Darren to see if we can help. [darren@gracecommunitycc.com](mailto:darren@gracecommunitycc.com)

All lodging, transportation, meals, and programming costs are covered.

## **What are the lodging and transportation plans?**

Teenagers will stay in the homes of volunteers from Grace Community. They will also be transported by volunteers in personal vehicles. All volunteers have been fully screened for safety purposes - including driving record for those providing transport.

Teenagers will conclude the weekend at Grace Community at noon (following the second service.)

### **What should a student pack?**

Pack for a sleep over! Toiletries, clothes for a few days, and some sort of bedroll (sleeping bag, etc) and pillow. Bring a Bible, a pen and a Nerf gun (if you have one!)

### **Technology Policy**

We do not allow digital devices during DNow Weekend. No phones, tablets, air pods, etc. All homes and drivers will have cell phones should a teenager need to call home.

### **Behavior Policy**

We have a zero tolerance policy for the following behavior infractions:

- Bringing or using alcohol, weapons, tobacco, drugs, pornography, vapes, technology
- Bullying, pranking, physical violence
- Illegal activity of any kind
- Sexual activity

Violations of these zero tolerance infractions will result in a trip home at parent or guardian expense.

### **Teen Expectations**

- Keep the main thing the main thing- Focus on God first!
- Represent yourself, your parents, our church, leaders, and ministry well
- Great attitudes!
- No Lone Wolves - connect with a group
- Follow all Grace Community and venue (Zephyr) guidelines.
- Follow the schedule. Nothing is optional.
- No practical jokes or pranking

### **Trip Medication Policy**

*Prescription Medication:*

- Prescriptions will be turned in to the Rx station at check in. Prescriptions must be in their own pharmacy-labeled bottle, student's name only.
- Please only send enough dosages for the weekend.
- All meds must have an accompanying med form. (available on the website)
- The only prescriptions allowed to be held by the students are epi pens and inhalers. These will still need to be included on the completed med sheet.
- DO NOT SEND OTC medicines\*. Each host home will have a full supply of basic OTC medication.
- Medication will be kept safe and secure in the host home.
- Kids will receive reminders to take their medication at meals and at the end of the day. **IT IS THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE STUDENT TO TAKE THEIR MEDICATION.**

- Any remaining medication/prescription bottles should be retrieved at pick-up when we return to Grace Community
- Unclaimed medication/bottles will be destroyed immediately.

*OTC Medication\*:*

- Each host home will have a supply of general OTC medication. (Advil, Pepto Bismol, etc. Medication is available on request.)
- Any dosages will be signed out by the teenager on a med log.
- If your students takes regular OTC meds as part of their daily routine, please include these on the med sheet and check-in at the Rx station.

TEENAGERS SHOULD NOT HAVE ANY MEDICATION, PRESCRIPTION OR OTC, WITH THEM OR IN THEIR LUGGAGE WHEN PROGRAMMING.

### **Lost & Found Policy**

Any items left behind after pick-up at Grace Community will be held at the rec center only until Sunday, February 15, 2026.. If you believe you may have something in the lost & found at the conclusion of the trip, email [darren@gracecommunitycc.com](mailto:darren@gracecommunitycc.com) to confirm and arrange pickup.

### **STAY IN THE LOOP!**

Social media will help you engage with the weekend from a distance! Follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1480934802912909>

Instagram: [https://www.instagram.com/graceyouth\\_gcc](https://www.instagram.com/graceyouth_gcc)

### **QUESTIONS?**

If you have any follow up questions or need clarification on any of the information provided above, please contact [darren@gracecommunitycc.com](mailto:darren@gracecommunitycc.com). We are here to help!

### **WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO AN INCREDIBLE WEEKEND!**

Again, please keep our students, volunteers, and staff in your prayers. We look forward to seeing God move in all of our lives in special ways!