Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca





March 2024

Summer Camp 2024: GEARING UP!

Registration

Registrations for the 2024 summer camp season have been pouring in! They came in especially quickly for Horse Camps and Projectile Camp! We're on pace for another great year overall, and would love to have you be a part of it if you're not already!

Staff

In order to ensure that all those registered get to experience camp this summer, we need to fill some key roles on our summer staff. We need both male and female counselors to serve in these roles. Becoming a counselor at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca provides a great opportunity to serve others, share the Christian faith, and be a role-model for all the kids who attend camp! It is also a great way to develop professional skills such as working and communicating with people of all ages, being able to adapt, and making quick and sound decisions in a variety of situations. We anticipate needing up to 10 more counselors to accommodate the amount of campers getting registered! PLEASE HELP!!!!

We're primarily looking for LC-MS college-aged young adults over the age of 18 to serve as counselors in overnight and day camp settings. If you're wondering if you or someone you know is camp staff material, don't! We'll train you in all you need to know for leading campers in a rewarding work environment. Just look at what some of our evaluations have said about our camp staff.

"Thank you for the Christian examples you are to our children!"

"The camp staff were all very polite, friendly, caring, and helpful."

"The counselors' enthusiasm with the kids was greatly appreciated."

Young people today need Christian role models in their lives, and year after year our summer staff provide our campers with summer camp experience filled with safety, fun, friendship, adventure, and Christian learning. For more information or to begin your application process, please see the bottom of the next page. We look forward to assembling a great team for 2024!



Facilities

Our staff have been busy working on various projects to improve our lodges this winter. This includes shampooing the carpet in all of the high comfort rooms and Fireside Room in Alpha Lodge. We also stripped and waxed the tile floor in the Fireside Room as well as the dining and activity halls. In Omega Lodge, the basement floor and the walls in the summer staff apartment got repainted. Thanks to the warm February weather, we were also able to clear branches and brush from around the barn area and pastures! If you'd like to see more pictures, head to our social media pages!

Camp Staff Update

Director Daniel Sanchez has moved on from Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca into a full-time position with the Iowa District East—LCMS. Daniel served as the Program Director from 2006-2013 and the Camp Director from 2014-2023. However, Daniel remains as a consultant to the Camp through the summer of 2024. He looks forward to seeing you on camp this summer!

Site Manager Dylan Lampe has been appointed the Interim Camp Director. Dylan, originally of Readlyn, IA was a longtime camper at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca and began serving on summer staff in 2018 and again in 2019. He joined the Camp Staff in 2020 as Site Manager.

Important Dates

<u>April 29-30</u> Spring Workers' Conference

<u>April 30</u> Registration Discount Deadline #2

> <u>May 4</u> Spring Cleanup

<u>May 22-24</u> IDE Symposium

<u>June 12</u> First Day of Summer Camp

<u>July 27</u> I Believe in Camp Fundraiser Auction

> <u>October 11-12</u> IDE Confirmation Retreat



THRIVENT CHOICE

In 2023, Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca received around \$8,000 in Thrivent Choice contributions! Thank you donors for making this program a success for Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca. Will you help make 2024 an even better year in Thrivent Choice giving?

Go to <u>https://www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice/</u> or call 800-THRIVENT (800-847-4836) and state "Thrivent Choice" to designate your choice dollars for Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca today. <u>Thank you</u> for making Thrivent Choice a valuable stream of revenue for <u>Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca!</u>

Needs List

Paper Towels; Napkins; Paper Plates; First Class Postage Stamps; Batteries: 9v, AA, AAA; Cleaning Supplies: disinfecting wipes, allpurpose cleaner. **Please see our web site for a complete list:** <u>www.campiodiseca.org</u>.

2024 Summer Staff

Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca is one of dozens of Lutheran camps across the country looking for college-aged young adults to make a difference in the lives of children. The opportunity to serve at a camp awaits. Go to <u>www.nloma.org</u> to start your summer camp service today!

Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca also needs Junior Counselors (JC's) to assist the summer program. Applicants should be at least 15 years old. JCs spend the week with a cabin group enjoying the many camp activities and serving as a positive role model and motivator for younger campers while helping the cabin counselors supervise younger campers. It's a great experience for only \$100 per week.

Please contact Program Director Alec Deppe by emailing programdirector@iodiseca.org for more information or to receive an application.



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