

# **2017 DeMolay Leadership Conference**

## **Special Information For Parents**

### **WHERE WILL MY SON BE?**

Your son will be staying at the Sierra Outdoor School that is near Sonora, California. The campus is a part of the Clovis Unified School District and has excellent facilities for our program. Housing is in dorm-type buildings with approximately 8 - 12 young men staying together in one large dorm room in bunk-style beds. Linen is not provided so it is important that he bring either a sleeping bag or sheets and a blanket along with a pillow. Your son will be assigned to a "D.L.C. Chapter" and the adult advisor for the chapter will be housed in the same building but in a separate and private room.

### **WHAT WILL HE BE DOING?**

Your son will be participating in group sessions, seminars, chapter planning sessions, ritual presentations, discussions, plus lots of other educational and team building activities. He will be challenged to complete specific tasks, such as planning and budgeting for an event, or learn a new ritual part. Additionally, he will have the option of participating in sports or other similar activities. There is not a lot of "free time"!

The program is tightly scheduled to keep all the DeMolays active, learning, and excited about the DeMolay program. Our goal is to have your son acquire specific knowledge of the DeMolay organization, develop leadership skills, and make plans for his involvement as an officer of his home Chapter, his Division or Area, or even the Jurisdiction.

### **ADULT SUPPORT and SUPERVISION:**

As we have mentioned previously, your son will be assigned to a D.L.C. Chapter made up of about 8 - 12 young men from different chapters. If he is attending D.L.C. with others from his home chapter, they will not be assigned to the same D.L.C. Chapter. Each D.L.C. Chapter is assigned at least one adult Advisor who is a Master Mason and/or a Senior DeMolay. These DLC Advisors represent many years of experience in DeMolay and have a wealth of knowledge that will benefit all those attending. These Advisors are attending at their own expense because they believe very strongly in the value of the D.L.C. experience and the great assistance it can provide those attending.

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## **ARRIVAL:**

As indicated in the material enclosed, please plan to have your son arrive at the Sierra Outdoor School between the hours of Noon and 3:00 pm on SUNDAY, June 25, 2017. We cannot permit early arrivals since the site is not available to us until Noon on the 25th. You may want to stop for lunch before heading up the hill as the first meal of DLC will not be until dinner at 5:30 pm.

## **DEPARTURE:**

Your son may be picked up on SATURDAY, July 1st. Our program will end no later than 11:30 am that day. You are invited to arrive early to see the last session that begins at 10:00 am. Please allow your son to remain until the end of D.L.C. - this last session is one of the highlights of the week and he will be disappointed if you require him to miss it!

## **HOW TO CONTACT YOUR SON:**

You may send mail to your son at:

DeMolay Leadership Conference  
Sierra Outdoor School  
15700 Old Oak Ranch Road  
Sonora, CA 95370  
Phone: (209) 532-3691

Alternate contact:

James Banta

[jbanta@norcaldemolay.com](mailto:jbanta@norcaldemolay.com)

NOTE: Due to its location, there is limited cell phone reception at the D.L.C. site!

## **MEDICAL CARE and INSURANCE:**

Should a serious accident or illness occur, your son will be taken to the hospital in Sonora and we will endeavor to contact you immediately. The Medical Release form on the D.L.C. application must be completed in full or your son will not be permitted to register for D.L.C. DeMolay International provides a secondary medical insurance policy, which will supplement your family insurance if necessary and will become primary only in the absence of any family insurance. The limit of our secondary insurance is \$10,000 with a \$100 deductible.

## **THE D.L.C. EXPERIENCE:**

It is difficult to know in advance exactly the type of experience that your son will have at D.L.C. If he really gets involved with the program, he will leave with many new friends and a lot of great information about how to make his DeMolay Chapter the very best that it can be.

The best part of the D.L.C. experience will be the personal growth your son makes; his increased self-confidence, and his self-understanding of what he has to offer as well as how his efforts in our program will benefit him in the future. We can only provide the best possible program, and it will be up to your son to come to D.L.C. with an open mind and a sincere desire to improve himself. We wish him well and will do our best to assist him in reaching his full potential!