

COVENANT CEDARS BIBLE CAMP

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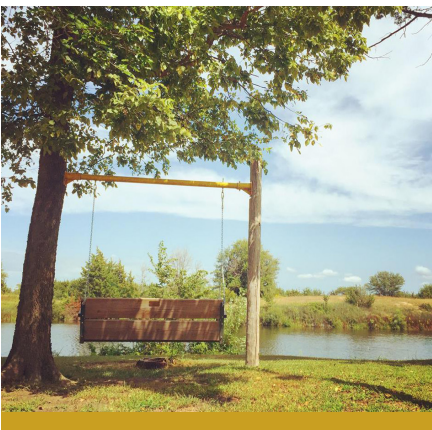
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WELCOME TO CAMP!

Get ready to experience the “best week of your life” at Covenant Cedars Bible Camp! Covenant Cedars exists to provide a Christian camping environment in which those who are not yet believers will be introduced to Jesus Christ and those who are believers will be encouraged to grow in their relationship with Him. The staff and volunteers are ready to make sure you have a ton of fun, eat lots of great food, make new friends, and grow in your walk with the Lord. Come, enjoy an amazing time at a place that is here to protect and serve.

-Daniel Buhr | EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



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HISTORY OF CAMP

When Covenant Cedars Bible Camp began its ministry in 1949, the Lord obviously had amazing plans for its future. Almost 70 years later, the camp facility now serves over 8,000 guests annually, hosts groups year-round, and has added a 9-month discipleship program for post high school students that want to invest in a year of personal growth. With a year-round fulltime staff of eight, plus three part-time staff and around thirty-five summer staff, the camp has become a center of ministry available to many Midwest churches. As many have said, Covenant Cedars is an oasis in the midst of the corn fields of Nebraska that God has “set aside” for His purposes of touching lives. Over 100 campers each summer proclaim a first-time relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ and many others experience a call to ministry in their lives.

Covenant Cedars is a place where relationships are formed and valued, and the Word of God is consistently taught. Our facilities are being upgraded every year; recently we’ve added several new cabins and meeting spaces. Our staff are trained to help protect every camper during their stay and provide whatever is needed to make that stay safe and comfortable. Our desire and mission is to provide an atmosphere where those who are not yet believers are introduced to Jesus Christ and those who are believers will grow in that relationship while here. The goal of our long-range facility plan is to assure that future generations will have a modern facility to use to further the Gospel message in our culture. Please let us serve you and your church as we partner in ministry to make His name great!

MEET THE STAFF



Dan Buhr | EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Becky Buhr | GUEST SERVICES DIRECTOR

Dan and Becky have been on staff at Covenant Cedars since 2001 after long history of involvement at camp. They have a large family who is deeply invested in camping ministry.



Andy Perdew | ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Andy has served at camp in a variety of contexts since 2003; he and his wife Mandy (who also serves at camp) have four children and are heavily involved in camp and the community.



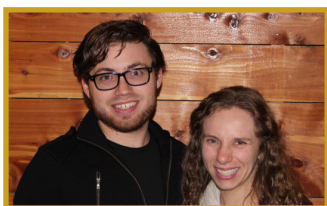
Braden Wächter | DIRECTOR OF MINISTRIES

Braden joined camp staff in 2017 and brings a wealth of experience and ideas to the team. Braden and his wife Heidi have three sons, one in Colorado and two serving beside them at camp.



Josh Haynes | FOOD SERVICE DIRECTOR

Josh has served on staff since 2010. With a background in the food industry, he provides great meals and an inviting atmosphere at camp. His wife Blair is an art and design teacher at a local school.



Derek Laffoon | RESONATE CO-DIRECTOR

Derek & Jessica joined the Cedars staff in 2017 after the closure of Covenant Heights. They are planning their wedding for May of this year and are excited to be continuing in camping ministry as a part of the Cedars’ team.



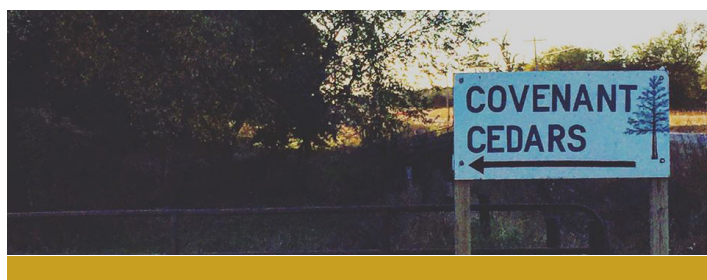
Miranda Dukes | REGISTRAR

Growing up as a camper and seasonal staff member at camp, Miranda joined full time staff in 2016. Her husband, Nathan, teaches at a local school and they are excited to be in the area.



Garreth Wächter | MAINTENANCE DIRECTOR

Garreth came on staff in 2017 after completing a camp discipleship program in Wisconsin. A certified mechanic, he has completed trade school and is happy to be using his skills in a camping ministry context.



CEDARS' PROGRAMS

SUMMER CAMP



Covenant Cedars runs six summer camp programs for students of all ages. Coming to camp provides an experience that is impossible to find anywhere else. At camp, kids are free to be themselves without the pressures and expectations of their regular routine. Trying wacky, fun, new activities, making life-long friends, and most importantly, strengthening their relationship with Jesus are only a few of the things that Cedars offers to campers every year. Groups get to learn about each other and bond by spending time in the hammocks, visiting the challenge course, going down the zip line, or just hanging out in the cabin. Every moment at camp has the potential to become a lifelong memory that changes someone for eternity. For more information about our summer camps, contact Braden at Braden@Cedars.org or 402.757.3241.

RESONATE

Resonate Discipleship Experience is a nine-month discipleship journey that helps students discover their role in God's kingdom, deepen their understanding of scripture, and develop Godly character through Bible seminars, community life, service together, and mission trips. Resonate aims to help high school graduates and young adults gain clarity, confidence, and character that they might grow deeper in their relationship with Jesus and equip them to go further in the mission to which God is calling them. Across the nation, many students are abandoning their faith and the Church as they leave their youth groups and homes in pursuit of their adult identity. Resonate exists to provide a sacred space where students might instead be challenged to know their faith as their own and to learn how they may live out Christ-centered lives. If you would like more information about Resonate, are interested in volunteering to teach a Bible seminar or skill class, or know of young adults who might benefit from this program, please contact Derek and Jessica at Resonate@Cedars.org or 402.757.7341.



GUEST GROUPS

Covenant Cedars also partners with churches and other groups in providing a location for retreats and conferences. We invite you to come visit us and take a no-obligation tour. Our facility is an excellent place to come for rest, relaxation, and inspiration. We have many different recreational activities, from a 42 foot climbing tower to a lake with canoes and paddle boats.

Our Christ-centered environment is well suited for meeting the needs of many different kinds of groups. We host large church camps and retreats, denominational conferences, family reunions, and a wide variety of nonprofit group retreats, seminars, and board meetings. Our facilities are available for groups of 10 to 300. Our experienced and friendly staff offers excellent service. We offer flexibility and quality in accommodations, meeting space, food service, and recreation. We do the cooking, cleaning, and dishes, all at a very reasonable price. Contact Becky with questions and inquires at Becky@Cedars.org or 402.757.3241.

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS

In addition, Covenant Cedars hosts Outdoor Education school groups, provides a Midwest Conference youth pastors' fall retreat, hosts the Nebraska Women Ministries annual retreat and junior high & senior high fall retreats, and regularly has need of volunteers for work weekends. If you are interested in hearing more about any of these events, please let us know!



HIRING FOR SUMMER OF 2018

Covenant Cedars Bible Camp is now hiring Summer staff for 2018. The summer staff experience at CCBC is a summer of serving God by serving our guests. Summer starts in May with staff training and ends the first week in August. Summer staff serve in a variety of roles from washing dishes to leading games. We are currently accepting applications for the following positions: lifeguard, tower facilitator, housekeeping, maintenance, kitchen worker, and program team member. We prefer applicants to be at least high school graduates. If you are interested in applying, go to cedars.org to fill out an application.

Covenant Cedars is also in need of volunteer counselors for the summer of 2018. As a volunteer, you have the opportunity to help create an environment where campers can come quiet down, hear God speak, and make life changing decisions. Volunteer counselors must be 15 years of age to be a counselor for our youngest age group. If you would be interested in volunteering anywhere at camp, go to cedars.org and start the application process.

Please contact us with any questions about being a CCBC staff member or volunteer.
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2018 SUMMER CAMP: UNDER PRESSURE



We are pressured EVERY DAY. Pressured to look a certain way, to act a certain way, and even to believe a certain way. Music, movies, television, peers, school, and social media influence each of us on a daily basis. This leaves us questioning, "How does being UNDER PRESSURE affect our relationship with Jesus?"

UNDER PRESSURE is not the way to live. Our relationship with Jesus can be the greatest tool to relieve the pressure that we feel every day. His power and love give us the strength to fight back against negative influences and pressures that strive to draw us away from Him.

This summer, we'll learn about how we can live for Jesus while addressing the influences and pressures of this world. We'll discover what it really means to be a Christian even when surrounded by people and things that tell us to ignore Jesus and live for ourselves. Let's push back against the daily pressures, break free from the influences of the world, and strengthen our relationship with Jesus!

Prepare yourself for Summer 2018:
UNDER PRESSURE!

2018 SUMMER CAMP DATES:

Pathfinder.....	June 16-17
Sr. High.....	June 17-22
Jr. High	June 24-29
Explorer	July 1-6
Trailblazer.....	July 8-11
Last Chance	August 6-8

Registration is now open online at cedars.org!

PLEASE LET US
KNOW HOW WE
CAN SERVE YOU!