



VBS Teen Crew

Goal and Objectives

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Learning Goal

- ▶ The VBS Teen Crew Learning Goal will be to:
 - Know that Life is Wild and God is Good through learning how to lead in Army Chapel programs.

Learning Objectives

- ▶ The Learning Objectives to accomplish the goal are:
 - Learning Chapel Sanctuary Audio/Visual system. (Understanding)
 - Showing the system use (teen who knows the system already)
 - Interpreting how to use each piece of the equipment (Teens who are new to the system)
 - Illustrating the system by building an Audio/visual use guide which includes photos of the system and photo/word instructions.
 - The success of this objective will be measured by an adult testing the instructions.
 - Constructing Chapel welcome communications. (Creating)
 - Organizing welcome/registration table.
 - Discussing USAG Stuttgart chapel programs with participants.
 - Compiling Attendance rosters into reports to include Storyboard, Newspaper article, and statistical reports.
 - Choosing to use of Key VBS themes in conversations with adult and child participants.
 - The success of this objective will be measured by participant evaluations and acceptance of compiled reports/articles for use by USAG Stuttgart Chaplain's Office.
 - Utilize principles of Chapel Logistics (Applying)
 - Selecting correct materials for setting up and cleaning up VBS program elements.
 - Solving new challenges that Adult Facilitators introduce to the teens.

Teen Crew Qualifications

- ▶ **Adult Facilitators:**
 - Hold a key role in VBS program
 - Experience working with teenagers
 - Understanding of tasks, objectives, and goals
- ▶ **Teen Participants:**
 - No child protection background check required
 - Willingness to work toward the identified goal
 - Commitment to accomplishing the objectives

Teen Crew Participants

▶ Adult Facilitators:

- Lead Teen Instructor – Ms Laura Byers
- VBS Chaplain Sponsor – CH Hank Mauterer
- VBS NCOIC – SSG Lamar Turner
- VBS Director & REPD – Dr Becky Powell
- VBS Opening/Closing Director – Ms Becky Callaghan
- VBS Volunteer Coordinator – Ms Jamie Showers

▶ Possible Teen Participants (12–18 years old):

- Jackson Crider
- Alex Garcia
- Sophie Cummings
- Tony Dedmond

Teen Crew Benefits

- ▶ VBS Teen Crew Members are eligible to eat volunteer snacks instead of child Crew Snacks.
- ▶ Successful completion of the VBS Teen Crew could earn the participant:
 - Certificate of Appreciation
 - Credit for Volunteer service hours
 - Letter of recommendation from Religious Education Program Director or USAG Stuttgart Garrison Chaplain

Teen Crew Schedule & Activities

- ▶ Arrive at least 15 minutes before the start of VBS each day; check in at the Registration Table
- ▶ Stay at least 15 minutes after VBS each day; Checkout at the Registration Table
- ▶ Instead of VBS Crew rotations; the VBS Crew members will work flexibly as the VBS program needs change and rooms/equipment are available.
- ▶ The activities to accomplish goals will be decided upon in conversations between adult and teen participants.

Teen Crew Rules

- ▶ **Adult Facilitators:**
 - Work within the position description of a VBS Leader
 - Comply with Army Chaplain Corps Child Protection Standards
- ▶ **Teen Participants:**
 - Stay with the group & 2 leaders at all times; wearing Teen Crew name badge.
 - Listen to instructions of Adult Facilitators and other designated Adult VBS Leaders
 - Do not do anything to hurt anyone else, including God.
 - Consequences are:
 - 1. Warning
 - 2. Time away from the activities to discuss the situation with an adult facilitator
 - Removal from the Crew; meeting with VBS Director; and notification to Parents