

Summer Core Team 2019

As part of the **Core team** we expect:

- Mature Christian
- Team player
- Flexible attitude
- Responsible
- Able to communicate with other leaders
- Willing to share their Faith
- Willing to help in areas other than designated responsibility (tasks that are dull or dirty such as cleanup, moving, etc.)

Training:

- Core Team move in day is on June 10 at 8:00am. This is to complete core team training and day camp preparations.
- Camps start the first week of July.

The service:

- Work as a team to help lead day camps in Belize City
- motivate and empower other Belizean Youth to put their faith into action.
- take initiative in building relationships
- intentionally encouraging those you are working with
- Accountability when necessary
- setting a good example in attitude and work ethic, and guiding local youth as they assist you in your assigned area.

Living in Community:

- You will be residing with the Core team on the BCE base located on 4.5 Miles George Price Highway
- Along with your house mates you will be responsible for the cleaning and up keep of your home and personal space
- You will have to share a house/bathroom/shower/toilet with others
- We have a kitchen and cooks who will provide yummy meals every day
- Respect peoples personal space
- Label belongings
- Take care of ministry property that is entrusted to you

Spiritual Growth

- Leaders are encouraged to have a personal devotion time with the lord
- Willing to share testimonies with others
- Help lead other volunteers in a time of devotionals

Some things to be aware of:

The City:

It will be worthwhile for you do some research into the situation in which you will be ministering. I challenge you to keep up with some of the Belizean news as you prepare to come to Belize.

Check out: <http://www.7newsbelize.com> and <http://amandala.com.bz/news/>

Please do not let the stories frighten you. We will not take you to any place that we

ourselves would not feel safe taking our own child. We play it safe and do not go out at night, when most of the trouble happens and are always very cautious. But you need to be aware of what is going on. Because those stories in the paper that might worry you, this is what our children deal with every day. The children who witness these events and live through these situations, these are the kids we are reaching with the Good News of the Love of Jesus.

The Children:

Most of them come from single mother homes or live with their grandmother, with many brothers and sisters from different fathers. Many have been witness and maybe subject to physical or even sexual abuse.

Most of the kids we work with are poor, and may not have any food to eat at home. These kids need love, and affirmation, but they also need structure and discipline. So don't be surprised when we correct them, or even send them home at times. They always have the opportunity to come back and be a part of the group, but they have to learn to obey authority and live in harmony with each other. Some of these kids' fathers or brothers are involved in gangs, which can create problems (fighting, name calling, etc.) between kids at camp whose families are involved in opposing gangs.

The Climate:

The time of year you will be here, the temperature will be HOT and HUMID, as summer time is our RAINY SEASON. It is also our HURRICANE season. Hurricanes are rare but we will make arrangements and keep provisions just in case of an emergency as we did have Hurricane Earl hit Belize last year, nonetheless, we will take good care of you.

The Creatures:

Come prepared for mosquitos and sand flies. Your best defense against these is bug repellent LOTION. For some reason we find the lotion works most effective.

Be aware that at some time or another you may see or come in contact with the following creatures in your house: geckos, small (nonpoisonous) spiders, bees, roaches, ticks, and ants. Lizards, fish, stingrays, snakes and others tropical creatures are a common sight around Belize and you may even see them in our yard or beach.

The Camps:

Camps are day camps run throughout Belize City, in parks, schoolyards, churches, and even backyards. Most of the camps happen on Belize City's "South Side." Sometimes there isn't much shade or shelter space to work with, but we make it work. Especially considering that it's rainy season, we often have to be creative and come up with "plan B" on the spot, so be ready to be flexible. The days are long and tiring, but richly rewarding.

The Food:

At camp we feed the children snacks of fruit and cookies, and for full day camps, we sometimes offer the children lunch. Lunch's served are all from donated goods, so be prepared to eat a lot of the same things at camp – rice and beans and chicken or ground beef. Be prepared to eat what you're served with a thankful heart and a smile.



Summer Staff – Core team Application Form:

Name: _____ Age: _____ Birthday: _____

Contact #: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

The best way to contact me is:

T-shirt Size:

- ☐ WhatsApp
☐ Messenger

Church Information:

Home Church: _____ Pastor: _____

Pastor Number: _____

- ☐ Yes ☐ No Would your church be interested in finding out more about the work Belize Camping Experience Does?

Please spend some time answering the following questions to help us better understand who you are and where you are at and where you may best fit volunteering with BCE this summer.

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Do you speak any languages other than English	Specify:
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Do you have any limitations or conditions preventing you from performing certain types of activities relating to mission work? (i.e. physical, emotional, availability)	Specify:
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	No Do you play a musical instrument?	Specify instrument(s)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Would you be willing to use your gift (if needed) of music during our corporate times of worship?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Have you been involved in volunteer service in a church or	

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Describe briefly how you would explain to someone how he or she could become a Christian.

What aspects of your walk with God have a) excited you, and b) what have you struggled with this last year?

How do you plan on modeling Christ this year at BCE?

What challenges do you expect to face as a member of the "Core Team?"

For applicants who have worked with BCE before: Answer question 1-3

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(on a separate sheet)

- 1) What did God teach you while you were serving with BCE?
- 2) Why do you want to serve at camp again?
- 3) Describe areas where you would seek to improve this year.

Please check [✓] what areas of camp you are most interested in serving in:

- ☐ Story teller/ sharing object lessons
- ☐ Worship and Music
- ☐ Leading Preschool children
- ☐ Assistant camp director / team leader
- ☐ Games Leader
- ☐ Skits
- ☐ Media – photography and video

Along with this application form include:

- Signed copy of the “Workers Agreement Contract.”
- Two “Core Team Reference Forms” completed and sealed in envelopes
(One from your local Pastor and the other from a spiritual role model)
- A police record check from within the last 6 months
- Personal Testimony (should include)
 - When you accepted Christ and details as to what led to your conversion
 - How long have you’ve been a Christian?
 - Have you been Baptist?
 - How have you involved yourself as a Christian in fulfilling the great commission?

I hereby acknowledge that, to the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this Ministry Core Team Application Form is honest and correct. I _____ hereby commit to serving as a CORE TEAM Volunteer as of June 10, 2019 to August _____ 2019.

Signature of:

Applicant _____ Date _____

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CORE TEAM REFERENCE FORM

PART A – To be completed by the applicant

Name: _____ Birthdate: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Home town: _____ Home Church: _____

Pastors name: _____ Pastor's phone: _____

Signature of applicant _____ Date _____

PART B – To be completed by the reference:

The above-named person has applied for a summer volunteer position at BCE as part of the Summer Core team. Your name was given as a reference. We would appreciate your objective assessment of the applicant. Before completing this form, you should be aware of the following:

BCE is a Christian day camping program. We work with children between the ages of 4 and 13 mostly from the Belize City area. Working with children demands a lot of a person. As part of the summer leadership team, they will also be expected to lead their peers in the areas they are in charge of. Ideal staff members will possess the following qualities:

- Growing relationship with Jesus Christ
- Willingness to forgo personal fellowship and recreation often in order to be with and have impact on the campers, and prepare their designated areas of responsibility
- Ability to work together and live with people of many backgrounds and personal types
- Desire to share God's love with others
- Ability to accept responsibility and submit to authority
- Reasonably good health, capable of a hard summer's work

How long have you known the applicant? _____

Type of relationship _____

(If you are a relative of the applicant please do not fill out this form)

Is the applicant a member of your church? _____

How often does the applicant attend Church?

___Daily ___ Weekly ___ Once a month ___ Erratic ___ Not at all

In what areas of ministry is the applicant serving(d) in the church?

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Youth Ministry | <input type="radio"/> Sunday school teacher |
| <input type="radio"/> Worship | <input type="radio"/> Drama/dance ministry |
| <input type="radio"/> Cleaning ministry | <input type="radio"/> Ushers |

How evident is team work in the areas of ministry they currently serve(d) in?

Not so much 1 2 3 4 5 All the time

Comment on your answer:

How does the applicant demonstrate an example of Christian faith in his/her daily life?

Not so much 1 2 3 4 5 All the time

Comment your answer:

How responsible and honest is the applicant?

Not so much 1 2 3 4 5 All the time

Comment your answer:

How does the applicant seek to fellowship with other Christians?

Not so much 1 2 3 4 5 All the time

Comment your answer:

Do you know of any allegations, charges of convictions against the applicant for child abuse or a felony?

___ Yes ___ No

Would you recommend this person for any of the camp leadership positions this summer?

- ☐ Story teller/ sharing object lessons
- ☐ Worship and Music
- ☐ Leading Preschool children
- ☐ Assistant camp director / team leader
- ☐ Games Leader
- ☐ Skits
- ☐ Media – photography and video

Please rate this applicant on a scale of 1-5 in a way best describes him/her.

<i>Displays Maturity in stressful situations</i>	Not so much	1	2	3	4	5	All the time
<i>Good Personal appearance</i>	Not so much	1	2	3	4	5	All the time
<i>Flexibility</i>	Not so much	1	2	3	4	5	All the time
<i>Endurance</i>	Not so much	1	2	3	4	5	All the time
<i>Good Work Ethic</i>	Not so much	1	2	3	4	5	All the time
<i>Good Leadership</i>	Not so much	1	2	3	4	5	All the time
<i>Takes Initiative</i>	Not so much	1	2	3	4	5	All the time
<i>Punctuality</i>	Not so much	1	2	3	4	5	All the time
<i>Easily gets along with People</i>	Not so much	1	2	3	4	5	All the time
<i>Good Judgment</i>	Not so much	1	2	3	4	5	All the time
<i>Team Work</i>	Not so much	1	2	3	4	5	All the time
<i>Positive Attitude</i>	Not so much	1	2	3	4	5	All the time

Please make any additional comments on the applicant's spiritual life or anything else you feel we should know about the applicant.

Is there anyone else we should contact about this applicant? If yes, please provide the following:

Name: _____ Relationship to applicant: _____

Address/Phone/Email: _____

Signature _____ Date _____ Phone _____

Name (printed) _____ Profession _____

Email _____

May we contact you for more info if necessary? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Thank you for taking the time to complete this form. Please pray with us as we select our staff that the Lord will supply us with a group of people well equipped and prepared for ministry to children.

Please place complete reference in envelope sealed and return it to applicant to be handed in with their application or privately email it to the address below.

Lose reference will be void

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