



FANARI CAMP PRESENTS

**LIGHTHOUSE**

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## Frequently Asked Questions

### Parent & Camper Questions

Q: Will there be camper grants this year?

A: Yes. Camper grants can be found at our camp website: [Chicago.goarch.org/lighthouse](http://Chicago.goarch.org/lighthouse).

Q: Are campers always supervised or do they have fully independent activities?

A: Campers are always under the supervision of the counselors. During free times, campers have the freedom to do various activities, but staff are always monitoring the areas that are free to be used.

Q: How are campers educated on the rules of camp?

A: The rules and expectations of the campers is provided in their welcome packet after they register. High-level rules and expectations are discussed during camper orientation.

Q: Can I/we visit the camp before registration and have a tour?

A: We do not allow for visitors at Lighthouse Camp, but you can schedule a campus visit with Carroll University.

Q: What should I pack for camp?

A: A full packing list can be found in your welcome packet.

Q: Should I pack snacks/refreshments for my camper?

A: While snacks are not necessary, they are permitted. Keep in mind, Lighthouse Camp is nut free, so snacks cannot have nuts, nor can they be made in a facility that processes nuts.

Q: Does my child need spending money?

A: While it is not necessary, campers can bring spending money during outings for snacks, souvenirs, etc. Campers will be fed three meals per day and snacks as part of registration.

Q: Does my child have to be Greek to come to camp?

A: No. All Fanari Camping Ministries, including Lighthouse, are for any Orthodox Christian interested in having an experience full of faith, fellowship, and fun.

### Staffing Questions

Q: What is the ratio of campers to counselors?

A: We use the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America's Youth Protection Policy recommendation (12:1) as a 'floor' benchmark for ratios and have a minimum of 10:1 camper to counselor. This does not account for other staff, clergy, and medical staff, which makes this ratio even smaller.

Q: What are the roles of the staff, counselors, and clergy?

A: We have four primary types of staff at Lighthouse:

- Staff: other staff include the Leadership Team which executes the camp program & staffing, and staff of Carroll University.
- Medical Staff: we have always at least one medical staff on camp to oversee medication distribution, assess and relieve any injuries, and aide sick campers and staff.
- Counselors: counselors serve one session and are assigned to a specific cabin, and are the primary level mentors, leaders, and safety insurers of the campers.
- Clergy & Lay Leaders: clergy and lay leaders are present to hear confessions (clergy only), teach Orthodox Life, and lead Bible Study with the campers. All of them are trained MDiv graduates. Additionally, they are present to build relationships with the campers, counselors, and staff during free time and devotionals.

Q: How old are the counselors?

A: Counselors are at least 21 years old at Lighthouse.

Q: What type of training do the counselors receive?

A: All counselors are required to do three things: (1) attend two training weekends before camp, which includes many aspects of training, including youth mental health red flags, youth protection, and conflict resolution, (2) complete a background check and online youth protection module offered by Praesidium, Inc., and (3) complete 20+ hours of online and in person training.

### Registration & Housing Questions

Q: How old do you have to be to register for Lighthouse?

A: You must be a graduating High School Senior to register.

Q: What is the price of camp?

A: The pricing is based on timing, as follows: Early Bird (\$799); Regular Registration (\$899); Greek Time (\$999).

Q: What is the refund policy for Lighthouse?

A: A full refund can be requested through the participant's CampDoc account. Provided that the request is made at least 30 days before the session begins, a full refund will be granted. If the request is less than 30 days before the session begins, a refund can only be granted if there is a potential Wait List camper that can take the cancelled camper's reservation.

Q: Do campers still get camper shirts?

A: Yes!

Q: How are campers grouped for housing?

A: Campers are placed in groups of 3-4 individuals who room together in a "quad"; an apartment-styled room with a common space. Each camper has their own room with a twin bed. There are no housing requests for Lighthouse Camp.

Q: Where do I direct my questions concerning registration?

A: We're happy to assist you with any questions about your registration at [lighthouse@fanari.camp](mailto:lighthouse@fanari.camp). If you are having trouble navigating around your CampDoc account, their support staff can help you with any troubleshooting at 734-636-1000 or [support@campdoc.com](mailto:support@campdoc.com).

Q: How do Fanari Camp payments appear on my billing statement?

A: To avoid any credit card disputes or confusion, please, make note that payments made through CampDoc.com for Fanari Camp will display on your account statement as DOCNETWORK LLC.