Dear Parents,

The 2024 Berea Leadership Experience is coming soon, and we are so excited your child(ren) will be part of it! This year, camp is July 15-19th, Monday through Friday, at the Berea Friends Meeting House at 300 Harrison Road in Berea, KY.

We start each day at 9:00am sharp and your camper will be ready for pick-up at 2:00pm.

We MUST have the medical/media permissions form in order for your child to participate in the Experience. Either return it at check-in on the first day of camp, mail it to Union Church, CPO 2105, Berea 40404, or email it to <a href="mailto:berealeadershipexperience@gmail.com">berealeadershipexperience@gmail.com</a>. You can add someone to your approved pick-up list on the first day of camp.

Due to changes in the Berea Kids Eat program, we are no longer able to provide meals to campers, however, we are able to assist if needed. *Please feed your camper(s) breakfast and send them with lunch in a container that will keep the food safe for eating by lunch time (unless you've made arrangements with us).* 

For part of the Experience, we will be outside. Campers should wear clothes that are OK to get dirty. As we get closer to camp, we will release a full schedule, but you can plan that there will be painting and/or creek play on Wednesday and Thursday.

We want to give all of our attention to our learning community while at the Experience. The staff have pledged to only use electronic devices for urgent reasons like being available to our children's caretakers and for health concerns. We ask that campers do not bring any electronic devices. We will call you if any need arises.

We will ask all participants the first day to sign on to our BLE Agreements. These are four basic principles for living together in our community: Value Everyone, Including Yourself; Respect the Property; Engage in the Program; Community Comes First. We will engage in a group problem-solving model to ensure all campers have a successful Experience.

On the second page of this document is a sample schedule for camp. Take special note of the 8:30 check-in time on Monday. For Tuesday through Friday, doors will open at 8:45am. On Friday, parents and families are invited at 1:10 PM to attend our closing ceremony.

If you have any questions, you can email us at <u>berealeadershipexperience@gmail.com</u> OR contact Emily at <u>em.i.ladouceur@gmail.com</u> or 718-607-0413. This number is also the emergency number during camp.

Thanks for sharing your kids with us as we build a positive leadership community!

Berea Leadership Experience Steering Committee

Emily LaDouceur, Director Diane Bailey, Assistant Director Kim Kobersmith, Committee Chair Tennant Kirk, Committee Member

## Sample Schedule

## Monday

8:30	Check-in
9:00	Gathering
9:30	Rotation 1 Mindful Movement
10:10	Rotation 2 Connecting with Nature
10:50	Snack, Rotation 3 Conflict Resolution
11:40	Rotation 4 Media Literacy
12:20	Lunch
12:50	Specials Presentation
2:00	Goodbye for the day