

Hinsdale Fil-Am Challengers Info Meeting 8-20-19

Agenda

1. Welcome and Director Remarks
2. Weekly Meeting Schedule
3. Communication
4. No Electronics Policy
5. TLT, PBE, and Outreach Programs
6. Parent Help
7. Registration and Fees
8. Tentative Calendar
9. Other Concerns / Feedback / Discussion

Meeting Times

Tuesdays 6:30pm to 8:15pm

- Pathfinders will start promptly at 6:30pm
- Pathfinders will end at 8:15pm and the church will be closed by 8:30pm.
- Pathfinders will sign in upon arrival and sign out when leaving.
- Please be respectful of our Pathfinders during meeting times. Keep all unrelated talking, socializing with your neighbors and friends confined to the hallways or other areas where the Pathfinders are not meeting.

Communication

- We will continue using the existing Remind texting/email and Facebook messenger as done in previous years.
- There is a new account for Remind. **EVERYONE INCLUDING PAST USERS WILL NEED TO JOIN THIS NEW ACCOUNT.** Instructions will be available during registration.
- Contact information for Pathfinder counselors and key staff will be provided at Enrollment Night.

No Electronic Devices Policy

- All electronic devices must be turned off and put away during Pathfinder meeting times.
- Counselors may allow their use as needed for a class, honor, etc.
- If Pathfinders are not able to self regulate themselves we will collect all electronic devices at the beginning of the meeting and return them after Pathfinders has ended.

Teen Leadership Training (TLT) Program

The TLT program is designed to challenge and empower the teen Pathfinder with new and increased responsibilities, while allowing them the security of doing so in a place they know and love. The program gives the TLT an opportunity to experience Pathfinder leadership under adult supervision. It is designed to include all aspects of Pathfinder club management, programming, operations, and encourage teens to explore and develop their talents in leadership, planning and social skills.

Teen Leadership Training (TLT) Program

For the TLT program to effectively train our Pathfinders to be leaders it MUST have committed Pathfinders, engaged mentors, engaged parents, and accountability.

Teen Leadership Training (TLT) Program

TLT & Parent Expectations

- The TLT program is a training program beyond the standard Pathfinder program. It will take extra work and time. TLTs should not expect to be able to complete their requirements during regular Pathfinder meetings.
- The parent and TLT will sign a statement acknowledging the extra requirements. The parent will commit to support the TLT as needed for them to complete their requirements. The TLT will commit to fulfill their requirements in the time required

Teen Leadership Training (TLT) Program

TLT & Mentor Expectations

- During designated TLT time, both the TLT and their staff mentor will work together so that the TLT can successfully complete their tasks on time. The mentor will oversee the task and provide guidance, focus, and assistance as needed.
- A TLT and their mentor may need to meet outside of normal Pathfinder time to complete their assignments.
- The TLT is accountable for completing their tasks on time. The mentor is accountable for making sure they have provided their TLT with the resources and guidance to do that.

Teen Leadership Training (TLT) Program

TLT Applications Available at Enrollment Night

- Applicants must be in grades 9 – 12
- Applicants must have an attendance record of at least 80% for the previous year
- Applicants must have completed an AY Class Level during the previous year
- TLT positions will be limited to the number of mentors available

Pathfinder Bible Experience (PBE) Program

The purpose of The Pathfinder Bible Experience is to promote and encourage in-depth Bible study and memorization by Pathfinders, so their understanding of scripture will increase and their relationship to Christ will grow.

Pathfinder Bible Experience (PBE) Program

- This year's PBE will cover Ezra, Nehemiah, Jonah, Micah, Amos, and Hosea.
- Pathfinders can sign up for PBE during Enrollment Night.

Pathfinder Bible Experience (PBE) Program

Times and Dates

- PBE will begin in September. Tentative time and day is Saturdays from 1:30pm to 2:30pm. The first few months will be focused only on Bible study.
- An additional time and day will be added when we get nearer to testing and start transitioning from Bible study to memorization.
- PBE Division (final testing) will be April 17-18, 2020 in Centralia, Washington.

Outreach Programs

Provide Outreach Opportunities

- In our community
- In our church
- Doesn't have to always be the entire club. Individual classes can do their own outreach.

Outreach Programs

1st Outreach Program for Fil-Am Church

- Express our gratitude for the financial support our church provided for the Oshkosh Chosen camporee.
- September 8, 2019 from 8am to noon
- Yard clean up of the church.
- Any yard tools that parents can provide for the Pathfinders to use will be appreciated (gloves, weeding shovels, etc.)

Parent Help

Non-staff Opportunities

- Teach a honor or class
- Help at an event
- Be a mentor for a TLT

Parent Help

Part Time Staff Opportunities

- Can do everything the non-staff can do plus -
- Commit to helping x number of times a month
- Assist counselors
- Help with administrative tasks
- Help with transportation for events

Parent Help

Full Time Staff Opportunities

- **We need more committed full time staff**
- Support our counselors and provide a better program for our Pathfinders.
- 6 to 1 - Pathfinder to adult ratio

Parent Help

Donation of
Old Pathfinder Uniforms

Registration and Fees

Registration is in 2 Parts

- **Online Registration** for all your contact, health, and insurance info, and Remind sign up instructions.
- **Enrollment Night** to sign up for programs, order uniforms, and pay fees.

Registration and Fees

Online Registration is available now at
www.hinsdalefilam.org/pathfinders

Enrollment Night is next Tuesday, August 27
6:30pm for those with last names starting with A – M
7:15pm for those with last names starting with N - Z

Registration and Fees

Registration Fees

- Registration fee for the 2019-2020 Pathfinder year is \$60
- Register online by midnight Sunday, August 25, 2019 and receive a \$10 discount on your registration fee
- There will probably be only one computer available onsite to fill out your Online Registration. Your Online Registration form must be filled out before continuing with Enrollment Night.

Registration and Fees

What does my fee cover?

- Pathfinder Class books and manuals
- Pathfinder scarf and slide
- Honor patches earned during the year
- Pathfinder class name patch and chevron
- Routine operating expenses

Registration and Fees

What does my fee not cover?

- Uniforms, club t-shirt
- Special activities outside of usual Pathfinder meetings
- Supplies for some honors
- Event fees such as food and transportation for campouts
- Entrance fees for special events or activities

Tentative Calendar

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| Aug 27 | Pathfinder Enrollment Night |
| Sept 3 | First Pathfinder Meeting |
| Sept 13 -15 | Leadership Training Conference |
| Sept 27 | Pathfinder Induction / Lock in |
| Sept 28 | Pathfinder Fall Skills |

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**Other Concerns / Feedback /
Discussion**

Staff Enrollment Night Stations