GEO KIDS: WHAT IS IT?

GEO Kids is a midweek ministry for boys and girls in grades 1-5. Our focus is on personal Christian growth, friendship, outreach, and evangelism. Our desire is that kids would come to know, love, and follow the Lord Jesus Christ and would seek to share the gospel with their friends.

GEO Kids is a parent led ministry. We hope to resume GEO Kids in January 2022 if we have enough parents to lead our small groups. Small groups are divided by grade & gender, allowing us to build relationships with kids, help them build friendships with one another, and prepare them to eventually make the transition to middle school ministry which follows a similar small group pattern of discipleship.

When does GEO Kids meet? We meet 2x/month on Thursdays from 7:00-8:15 pm, during the school year. Our tentative meeting dates for 2022 are:

Jan 6, Jan 20, Feb 3, Feb 17, Mar 3, Mar 17, Apr 7, Apr 21

May 5 (family pizza/5th grade send-off)

What are some ways I can be involved with GEO Kids?

- Small Group Leader at GEO meetings (2x/month)—2 leaders per group; simple lesson plans, game & activity ideas, and snacks provided!
- Assist at special events (Boys' Game nights/Girls' Craft nights, etc.)
- Assist at "Service Saturdays" with set-up, clean-up, bringing materials, working with children, etc.
- GEO Kids Coordinator: ideal for a couple to job-share!

Do I have to be a member of Parkside Church to serve at GEO Kids?

You do not have to be a member; however, we do ask that you have been in <u>regular attendance</u> <u>at Parkside for a minimum of 6 months</u>. Anyone who serves at GEO Kids must complete a church testimony application and a background check (workers 18+ years of age).

If you'd like to be involved or have additional questions about serving, please contact Mandy McClendon at mmcclendon@parksidechurch.com.

GEO Kids Group Leaders 2022

For security reasons, we require that two adults serve in every small group of children. We ask for parents to **commit** to the meeting dates and to being on time to meetings (**arrive no later than 6:50pm**).

<u>Girls' Group Leaders</u>: We are looking for 2 female leaders for 2nd grade and one additional leader for 4th grade.

Boys' Group Leaders: We need 2 male leaders for all grades, except for grade 5, where we need one additional male leader.