



BeCre Parents and Campers,

June 4, 2021

It is finally June, which means that Be Creative Camp is just one month away! If you are a returning camper to BeCre, we are very excited to see you again in a few weeks. If this is your first-time attending Be Creative Camp, here is a general description of what BeCre is:

Be Creative camp, as the name may suggest, is all about embracing our inner creativity and distinctive gifts to serve God's kingdom. We will spend a lot of time engaging our artistic right brains, whether that be through photography, music or improv. Campers will also challenge their analytical left brain by taking a deep and critical look into the scriptures we are reading in an effort to extract their true meanings. Throughout the week, the campers will be a part of a story that unfolds, like a weeklong live action role play. The parameters of our weeklong story are set by the weeks theme, and from there, it is up to the campers where we go. As explained by BeCre founder and staff member Shawn Young, "If for some reason the floor becomes lava, it's lava for all of us—until someone else writes a story to make the lava go away."

This summer, we are embarking on our 16th year of Be Creative Camp, and our staff have planned some brand-new themes. Speaking of themes, without further ado, I am excited to announce that **the theme for the Butler Springs High School week this year is TRAINED**. All-aboard for a weeklong trans-continental trip, where each camper has a ticket to enjoy entertainment and first-class service. However, there is an imposter among us during our journey, and the campers will have to complete tasks and challenges to get clues as to the imposter's true identity. Hopefully, these clues help keep us on track and will allow us to arrive safely to our final destination.

Here are a few things you should do to prepare for camp this summer:

1. Head to our website (becreativecamp.com), and **fill out the pre-camp survey**, you can find it under the "Surveys" tab. This survey has questions that will allow us to get to know our campers a little better and will give us information about each camper's preferences about the camp elements and creative activities we will plan throughout the week.
2. Don't forget to **view the "What to bring to Camp" list**, which is available on Butler Springs' webpage. This list will give campers a good idea of what they should (and shouldn't) bring to BeCre. In addition to this list, we encourage campers to bring things that apply to their favorite creative activities or arts. Some examples of this are musical instruments, tap dancing shoes, or a board game. There will be opportunities to share your creative passions or artistic gifts throughout the week, during elective times, and our annual talent show at the end of the week.
3. Check out our BeCre Worship Favorites Spotify playlist ([link below](#))! At BeCre, we do worship a little differently than a typical summer camp. Rather than light shows and a live band, our worship, known as **The Middle**, comes from the hearts and minds of the campers. Any praise song you want to sing, we invite you to jump in and lead the song, and we all join and sing or play along together. The playlist includes songs that come up frequently at the middle, some of our staff's favorites, and as campers fill out the pre-camp survey, it will include some of your favorites, too.
4. You can join our Be Creative Camp Facebook group ([link below](#)) and follow all camp updates on our social media accounts. During the week, if our staff isn't too exhausted, we will record and upload a podcast at the end of each day, updating parents and family about how the camp is going.

If you have any questions about BeCre in general, the high school week, or logistics, feel free to reach out to me! My email is listed below. I hope you are all as excited for camp as I am!

Website:

becreativecamp.com

Facebook:

<http://facebook.com/groups/becreativecamp>

BeCre Worship Favorites:

https://open.spotify.com/playlist/04BWRCu05J0vCgG4W5E57c?si=AR-HTsWnT3iZzoz5daRI_A

God Bless,

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