

Lakeside Youth Connect 2024-2025

Welcome to Lakeside Youth Connect for the 2024 - 2025 school year!

We are looking forward to a great year ahead! As you may already know, we are currently in a transition phase as Leanne moves out of her role as Youth Director at Lakeside and into her new role as Director of Communication and Junior Youth Outreach with Youth Unlimited. As we spend the upcoming months determining a new youth director, we continue to have a great group of volunteers who are taking on programming and planning for both our Junior and Senior Youth Programs. We are pleased to have Bob Schmidt, a Lakeside staff member, as the lead Junior Youth Ministry personnel and Lauren Miller, our volunteer senior youth ministry lead personnel.

Junior Youth Program Volunteer Team: Lindsay Lester, Luke Lester, Emmy Lester, Leanne Young, Kelly Short, Kyle Young

Senior Youth Program Volunteer Team: Lauren Miller, AJ Lester, Kyle Young, Katie Bjelis, Ivan Vanderwier

We are so excited to be getting to know your youth even more this year. We are here for both our youth and parents. If you'd like to get to know more about us, as leaders, or would like more information regarding youth programming feel free to reach out and connect by emailing youth@mylakeside.ca.

PROGRAMMING

- **JUNIOR YOUTH: snack, activities, bible study**

When: Tuesday nights 3:30 - 6:00 pm

Where: Lakeside Church

- **SENIOR YOUTH: snack, meal, activities and bible study**

When: Wednesday nights 3:30 - 8:00pm

Where: The Foundation (formerly known as the Youth room in the office basement), Lakeside Church

Please see calendars for specific Junior and Senior Youth events from September through to December.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- **JUNIOR YOUTH**

- Bedlam Winter Retreat @ Muskoka Woods, November 22 - 24, 2024

- **SENIOR YOUTH**

- Change Conference in Ottawa, November 1-3, 2024
- The Lion King Musical in Toronto, November 16, 2024

Please visit www.mylakeside.ca for all of the forms, details and deadlines as spaces are limited.

PROGRAM FEES

- **JUNIOR YOUTH:** fee covers the cost of weekly snacks, activities and Christmas party

- **Fall Semester:** September - December: \$30
 - **Winter Semester:** January - March: TBD
 - **Spring Semester:** March - May: TBD
- **SENIOR YOUTH:** includes Wednesday night snack and meal (\$5/meal), activities and Christmas party
 - **Fall Semester:** September - December: \$60
 - **Winter Semester:** January - March: TBD
 - **Spring Semester:** March - May: TBD

Preferred method of payment is e-transfer to admin@mylakeside.ca. Please include your child's name and program (i.e. Senior Youth Fall Semester Fees) *Please note: **We never want finances to be a barrier to participation. If you require financial assistance, Lakeside can subsidize any and all costs listed** please contact youth@mylakeside.ca for more information.*

COMMUNICATION:

1. An email will be sent at the start of each semester with detailed information and calendars on upcoming events.
2. Weekly reminders of the week's activities will be sent through Mailchimp. (If you are not receiving the emails please check your spam folder or contact us at youth@mylakeside.ca).
3. This information will also be available on Lakeside's website at www.mylakeside.ca
4. This year we are testing out a new app called BAND which will be used for weekly communication amongst youth themselves and administered by leaders. It is compatible with Android and IOS and it's FREE! Please scan the QR code below to get connected.



JUNIOR YOUTH



SENIOR YOUTH

EXPECTATIONS: Stay tuned for our Lakeside Youth Connect, foundational expectations and responsibilities that will help to ensure we have a smooth, fun and safe year ahead. We look forward to creating these alongside the youth!

See you soon! The Lakeside Youth Leadership Team