

ROCKIES CONNECT

SPECTACULAR July 21 - 31 2016

It's time to start making plans to attend SPECTACULAR 2016, July 21 – July 31! This year's theme is "Connect." If you have attended SPECTACULAR (SPEC) before, we are looking forward to seeing you again. If this is your first exposure to SPEC, please come and join us. You will not be disappointed. Here are some details about SPEC:

WHAT The mission of SPECTACULAR is to create a safe, Christ-centered community that encourages young women and men to discover God, their inherent worth, and cultivate and express their giftedness. It is a week long Christian camp, organized by the Community of Christ, with sports competitions, music and art classes, educational experiences on issues facing today's teens, musical productions, dances, movies, live performances and worship. It is a fun and full week.

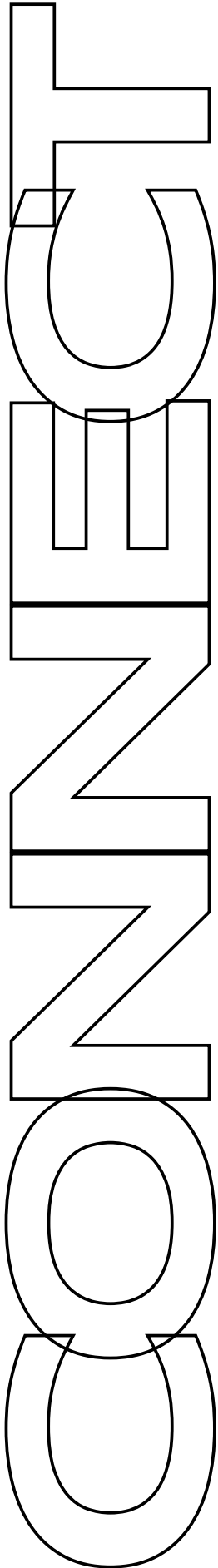
WHO Teenagers who completed 9th - 12th grades are eligible to go to Spec. (Class of 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019) We go to Spec as a delegation. By receiving this letter you are invited to join the **Rockies Delegation**. We are people from Colorado, Wyoming, and parts of Nebraska, Kansas and New Mexico. We're a fun group that has a certain mystique at SPEC. We are always tough and competitive; good sports; a little crazy, and fun to be around. We would love for you to become a part of the Rockies Delegation. Our delegation leader is Melanie Grimes.

WHERE Spectacular is held on the Graceland University campus in Lamoni, Iowa. [Yes, Lamoni, complete with Amish neighbors, rolling cornfields and night time cow tipping, or so we've heard...]

WHEN We will begin our adventure of SPECTACULAR by leaving from Denver/Wyoming on Friday, July 22nd early in the morning and driving to Lamoni, IA. Housing will be available in the night before at Cherry & Jay Newcom's house in Westminster. If you are joining us from Wyoming or Nebraska, we will arrange transportation times & locations once we receive your application. Once we all have joined each other in Missouri, we will begin our adventure of SPECTACULAR. We will stay that night with Jim & Pam Ash in Liberty, MO. On Saturday morning we will start with our first meeting before we head to Graceland's campus. By doing this we avoid a lot of confusing orientation issues and have a very pleasant start of Spectacular. SPEC is over by noon on July 30th. We will then spend the night at the Ash's again and will go to Worlds of Fun in the evening before driving the rest of the way home on Sunday, July 31st.

COST SPEC is not cheap, but it IS inexpensive for the quality of the experience. Registration, transportation and delegation costs are: \$650.00 per camper (siblings & First-Time friends will be \$600.00.) The \$650 fee will include transportation (either from Denver or possibly Wyoming/Nebraska, and your Worlds of Fun Ticket. This amount does NOT include traveling meals (~\$75) and miscellaneous expenses. Also, please note that late registrations will be \$750 per camper after June 15th, the sibling fee would be \$700. Another exciting offer from SPECTACULAR this year is a First-Time Friend Discount. Be sure to check out information included in this packet.

Staff registration is \$215.00 (without the delegation garments or Worlds of Fun Tickets)



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Sound interesting? Here's what you need to do:

1. Fill out the enclosed SPECTACULAR Registration Form
2. Fill out the Interest Sheet
3. Fill out the Shirt Sheet
4. Have a check or money order made out to: **Community of Christ** for either a \$100 deposit (balance required by July 3) or the total amount. *Hand-delivered* cash is OK too, but please seal it in an envelope and write the camper's name on it and the amount in the envelope.
5. Deliver all of the above, no later than June 13, 2016, to
Community of Christ
9501 Lou Dr.
Denver, CO 80260
6. Get ready for a GREAT TIME! (Note: We'll send you even more information after you register)

If you want more information, contact any of the following:

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Delegation Leader
719.635.9439 *home*
719.660.7329 *cell*
melgrimes@gmail.com

Shandra Newcom
Rocky Mountain Mission Center President
800-783-6760
303-426-5900x2
snewcom@cofchrist.org

RMMC Website - <http://cofchristm.org>, under programs/youth events
Spectacular Website - <http://www.cofchrist.org/spectacular>

We Look Forward To Seeing You Soon!!

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Know Before
You Go

First-Time Friend Discount

**\$50
OFF!**

SPECTACULAR is excited to again offer the incentive program to encourage campers to bring a friend. Now a camper can offer their friend(s) a **\$50 discount off the SPEC registration fee!** This offer is only for SPEC campers that are coming for the first time because they were invited by a friend who will also be attending as a camper. The spirit in which this offer is extended is to empower kids with a monetary incentive to give away when they invite a school friend(s) to come to SPEC with them.

*This offer cannot be combined with any other SPEC discounts or used simply within your own youth group. **The sole intent of this program is for it to be used as an outreach tool.** Other restrictions may apply. Please contact Melanie Grimes with any further questions!*

SCHOLARSHIPS

Graceland offers the Wallace B. Smith Grant, Vision Scholarship & Thomas Cochran Volleyball Scholarships during SPECTACULAR. These scholarships are available to High School Seniors (class of 2017) and must be applied for at SPEC. Please encourage all delegation youth to apply, even if Graceland is not necessarily where they plan to attend, as any scholarship money helps and the Graceland experience is so valuable.

An Application packet is available on the RMMC website, on the Rockies Facebook Page & Rockies SPEC event page, from congregational pastors & youth leaders, and from Melanie Grimes via PDF email by emailing melgrimes@gmail.com. Some of the scholarships require components to be completed before SPEC, so please have any eligible campers read and look at the packet to prepare ahead of time.

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Clothing Expectations

We will uphold the clothing guidelines of the Rockies Delegation and the SPECTACULAR program.

Rockies Clothing Guidelines

I would like to attend a Community of Christ youth event therefore,

- I will strive to dress appropriately for this Christian event.
- I will wear clothing that covers my undergarments, and fits well without exposing more than my arms, neck, shoulders and legs (shorts mid-thigh length/at least a 6 inch inseam).
- I will not wear clothing that promote or advertises alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs, racism, sexism, hatred of any group or person, violence, sexual activities or situations, or companies, musicians and other individuals who promote these things.
- I will bring appropriate clothing, shoes, and gear for camp activities, and be ready to wear them when the activities require me to be safe and secure.
- I understand that the director has final say in what may or may not fit these guidelines, and I will respect any requests to comply with these rules.

If I wouldn't wear it to school or if it would make me unsafe then I agree not to wear it at this event. I will welcome and expect respectful, private feedback from staff.

In addition, bathing suits are only allowed at the pool. Please plan to have clothing to wear to and from the pool.

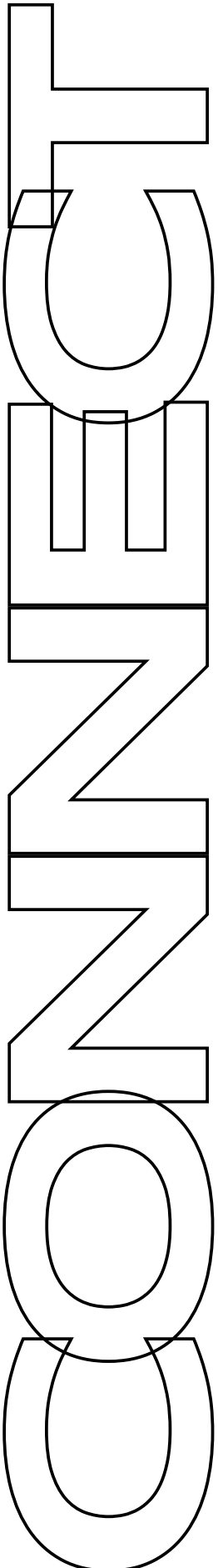
SPECTACULAR'S Guidelines

I will wear clothing that is appropriate for a Christian youth event.

- Shirts, shorts and shoes must be worn at all times.
- No altered t-shirts (arms cut off, seams opened up, etc.)
- Nothing that promotes alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs, racism, sexism or sexual activities/situations etc.
- So basically...if you can't wear it to school, don't bring it to SPEC.

If you have any questions or concerns about these expectations, please feel free to contact Melanie Grimes at 719.660.7329.

SPECTACULAR 2016 | Interests Sheet



Your Name: _____ (Please print)

This sheet is to determine your interests in activities for this year's Spectacular. Please specify your interests below by placing an "X" in the box next to the events in which you would like to participate. But first, here are the rules for signing up:

The Extravaganza Musical Stage Production is open to everyone interested whether you are focusing on sports or the arts at Spec. In the sports activities, you are allowed a maximum of 2 team sports, and highly encouraged to participate in at least one Rockies team sport.

Team sports are:

- Basketball
- Soccer
- Softball
- Volleyball

You can participate in as many individual activities/sports as time permits.

Rule of Thumb:

If you participate in two team sports, a maximum of 3 or less additional individual events is suggested.

Select Your Events:

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|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extravaganza | <input type="checkbox"/> Basketball | <input type="checkbox"/> Golf |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Soccer | <input type="checkbox"/> Racquetball |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Softball | <input type="checkbox"/> Swimming |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Volleyball (male) | <input type="checkbox"/> Table Tennis |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Volleyball (female) | <input type="checkbox"/> Tennis |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Volleyball (coed) | <input type="checkbox"/> Track & Field |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Wrestling |

Note: *Include arts and music activities in your time estimations.*

Participation at all skill levels is provided and encouraged at Spectacular. In order to place you at the correct skill level for the sporting events, we need to know your experience level for each sport you've selected. Next to your selected sports, please check all appropriate skill level boxes that match your experience.

	Recreational Participation	PE Class Participation	7th/8th Competitive	9th/10th Competitive	JV/Varsity Competitive
Basketball	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Golf	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Racquetball	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Soccer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Softball	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Swimming	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Table Tennis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tennis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Track & Field	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Volleyball	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



SPECTACULAR --- All-Camp Policies and Expectations

Our mission is to provide a safe, Christ-centered community that encourages young women and men to discover God, their inherent worth and cultivate and express their giftedness. In order to ensure this mission is lived out, we have some simple expectations and policies in place.

What you can expect from SPECTACULAR leadership:

- We are committed to uphold the staff and campers in prayer.
- We are committed to provide a ministry that allows for a growing relationship with Jesus Christ and upholds the values of SPECTACULAR.
- We are committed to open and ongoing communication with delegation staff and campers via email and social media.
- We are committed to uphold the expectations of staff and campers.
- We are committed to support and partner with delegation leaders to work through any situations that may require disciplinary action.
- We are committed to creating an intentional Christian community.

Guest Policy

Guests are welcome to visit SPECTACULAR. In order to promote the safety of our SPECTACULAR community, the following procedures must be followed.

- Guests must stop by the SPEC office to sign in and receive a wrist band that will identify them as a guest.
- Guests must arrange for their own housing off-campus.
- Meals and other camp activities are not provided.
- Please limit stay to one or two days.

Release and Consent

Please read each of the following Release and Consent Statements, and sign the registration form.

Medical Treatment Consent

I, as parent, legal next-of-kin, or guardian of the registrant listed on this form hereby authorize any necessary medical treatment for this person.

I also guarantee payment of all charges incurred during this medical treatment. (Physician, hospital, x-ray, lab, drugs, ambulance, etc.)

Activity Participation Consent

I specifically consent for the registrant's participation in activities offered by SPECTACULAR, including but not limited to boating, swimming, organized and informal sports events.

I have deleted any items from the preceding list to which I do not give consent for participation. I certify that the registrant has the necessary skills to participate in any of the approved activities (i.e. if boating is approved, the participant can swim).

Liability Release

The parent, legal guardian, next-of-kin, or participant signing the reverse of this page acknowledges that even though every effort is made to provide a safe, accident-free environment, incidents may occur.

In consideration for being accepted for participation at SPECTACULAR, the parent/guardian does for myself and for and on behalf of this registrant, if said registrant is not 21 years of age or older, hereby release, forever discharge and agree to hold harmless Community of Christ, SPECTACULAR, Graceland University, and the directors, agents, and employees thereof from any and all liability, claims or demands for personal injury, sickness or death, as well as property damage and expenses of any nature whatsoever which may be incurred by the parent/guardian and the registrant that occur while said registrant is participating in SPECTACULAR.

The parent/guardian further agrees to hold harmless and indemnify said organization, its directors, employees and agents, for any liability sustained by said organization as the result of the negligent, willful or intentional acts of said participant, including expenses incurred attendant thereto.

Photo Release

In consideration of the right of the registrant to participate in this activity, I hereby give consent to and authorize the taking of photographs or video in which the registrant may appear. I hereby waive all right of privacy in and to any said pictures or videos.

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Camper Expectations and Commitment of Support

This Covenant was created to help campers understand and abide by expectations of SPECTACULAR campers. It will help foster a respectful, safe and healthy environment in which we can explore our faith, make new friends, worship and learn together.

Please review and sign this covenant with your parent or legal guardian:

- Because God calls us to create sacred community with each other, I covenant with God and other campers and staff to uphold the values of SPECTACULAR and conduct myself in a manner that promotes a community of faith.
- I will participate in all activities and work with others to learn and grow from my experiences.
- I will treat all people with dignity and respect. Yes...I know that means no insults, sexual innuendos, degrading speech etc.
- I will model a positive attitude and spirit of generosity and compassion. I will encourage others to do the same.
- I will model good sportsmanship as a player and a fan.
- I will respect the property of all people and places. If I find something that does not belong to me, I will turn it in to the lost and found.
- I will not bring or use tobacco, alcohol, illegal drugs, fireworks, weapons, pornographic material, or anything else of this kind. I realize that such behavior and could require my dismissal from this community.
- I will not engage in any form of sexual activity.
- I will report all instances of sexual harassment and sexual exploitation to my delegation staff or a member of the SPECTACULAR staff.
- I will wear clothing that is appropriate for a Christian youth event.
 - Shirts, shorts and shoes must be worn at all times.
 - No altered t-shirts (arms cut off, seams opened up, etc).
 - Nothing that promotes alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs, racism, sexism or sexual activities/situations, etc.
 - So basically ... if you can't wear it to school, don't bring it to SPEC.
- I will observe the following guidelines for visiting the rooms of others:
 - There will be no opposite gender visitation in the dorm rooms.
 - Visitation will only be in public areas.
- I will honor my responsibility to be on time and prepared, including honoring curfews each night.

- I will not leave campus. If I need to leave campus for any reason, I will obtain permission from my delegation staff and an adult will be selected to accompany me.
- I understand and accept that violation of this Covenant could result in my returning home at my own expense before the meeting's conclusion.

Disciplinary Action

If an individual fails to meet the camper or staff expectations, the SPEC directors and head of security will work with delegation leaders to determine an appropriate course of action. It is our intention to be fair and just, but we are serious about providing a safe and sacred community.

- Disciplinary action will never include physical punishment but might consist of restriction of participation, restriction to an assigned area, apology to the group, additional duties, etc.
- If leaders feel a situation warrants notification, parents or guardians will be contacted.
- If the infraction is serious, the SPECTACULAR directors, head of security, and the delegation leaders will determine if an individual will be asked to leave.
 - Individuals (or the parent or guardian) who are asked to leave SPECTACULAR will be responsible for all transportation expenses and fees. Registration and other travel fees will not be reimbursed.
 - If damage to property occurs, individuals will be assessed for the cost of damages and repair.
 - Individuals who break public laws will be asked to leave SPEC and will be subject to legal action by law enforcement authorities.

This covenant is the foundation of expectations for the entire SPECTACULAR community. We understand and support delegations that choose to hold their campers to further accountability at this event.

THANK YOU FOR SHARING IN THIS COVENANT!

Camper Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

SPECTACULAR Registration Form

First Name:	Middle Initial:	DELEGATION NAME:	Check: I am a <input type="checkbox"/> Camper <input type="checkbox"/> Staff	
Last Name:	Birth date: (mm/dd/yyyy)			
Street Address:		Last Grade Completed: <input type="checkbox"/> 9 <input type="checkbox"/> 11 <input type="checkbox"/> 10 <input type="checkbox"/> 12	T-shirt Size: <input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> XL <input type="checkbox"/> 3XL <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> 2XL <input type="checkbox"/> 4XL <input type="checkbox"/> L	
City:	State/Province:		Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male	
Zip/Postal Code:	Country:			
Participant Email:		Languages: ENGLISH - <input type="checkbox"/> Speak <input type="checkbox"/> Read/Write Other Language: _____ FRENCH - <input type="checkbox"/> Speak <input type="checkbox"/> Read/Write		
Participant Mobile Phone: ()	Texting? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Sibling in Attendance as a Camper:		Social Media: <i>Do you participate in these social media networks?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Facebook <input type="checkbox"/> Twitter <input type="checkbox"/> Instagram <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____		
First-time Friend Coming with Me:				

Parent/Legal Guardian Contact Information

Name:	Email:	Phone ()	Mobile ()
Name:	Email:	Phone ()	Mobile ()
Emergency Contact:	Email:	Phone ()	Mobile ()

Medical History *(Please check yes or no and explain any "yes" answers in the space provided)*

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Are you allergic to any foods, latex, medications, etc?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Are you presently under a physician's care for any acute/chronic medical condition?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Are you currently taking any medications?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Do you have any physical restrictions or emotional, medical, or psychological conditions that need special attention? If yes, please list these conditions.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Have you recently been exposed to a contagious disease?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Any special dietary needs? <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetic <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)

Family Physician: _____ Phone: () _____ **(Please attach a photocopy of your insurance card)**

Statement of Consent and Release

I, the undersigned, have read understand and agree to abide by the rules, guidelines and releases specified in this form.

Participant Signature: _____ Parent/Legal Guardian (if participant under 21): _____