**KNOW JESUS 2019**

**February 9-February 10**

**Hesston College
Campus Activities Center (CAC), 325 College Drive, Hesston, KS**

**KNOW JESUS**, organized by the Western District and South Central Conference Youth Ministry Committee of Mennonite Church USA, and hosted by Hesston College, is a weekend-long retreat for Jr. High (6th-8th grade) students to worship together and learn more about their Anabaptist roots.

Our goal is help our young people learn about the rich heritage of their families and churches and also to promote growth in their lives now. Our hope is to provide an environment for our 6th-8th graders to grow in relationship with Jesus Christ. When they leave the will **KNOW JESUS** better than when they arrived.

**THINGS TO REMEMBER:**

* Registration will be at **Hesston Mennonite Church** (Community Room).
* Registration will begin at **12:30 PM**. Please let us know if you cannot arrive before 1:00 PM.
* Sponsor meeting is at 1:30 PM - please send one sponsor from each group.
* Youth should leave phones, iPods, etc. at home - we want you to interact!
* If you bring a cell phone to contact your parents, it will be kept with your youth pastor/sponsor until you need to use it.
* Complete information about **Know Jesus** also available at: <http://mennowdc.org/know-jesus-2019/> For further information, contact: Isaac Landis, WD/SC Conference Youth Ministry Committee, 620-951-4035 or isaac@whitestonemc.com
* Feel free to contact Hesston College Food Service Director Jessica Miller (620-327-8177) regarding any special food concerns **BEFORE JANUARY 26.**

**REGISTRATION INFORMATION:**

Register & pay online at <http://mennowdc.org/know-jesus-2019/> OR use attached registration forms.

* $50 registration fee per person (early bird!) if postmarked January 26, 2019. This RSVP date also guarantees correct shirt sizes for group
* $60 registration fee per person if postmarked January 27-February 2, 2019
	+ This date guarantees meals for the group
* Distance Discount - if travelling 100+ miles one way, deduct $10 per person from registration fee
* RSVPs after February 2 will be accommodated as best of abilities for the planning team and Hesston College food service

Fees are the same for youth and sponsors

As we must reserve meals, registrants must pay full fee whether they attend or not

Make checks payable to: “Western District Conference”, write “Know Jesus” on memo line

Send paper registrations and payment to: Western District Conference, PO Box 306, North Newton KS 67117

**SERVICE PROJECTS:**

* Each youth group will be participating in a “mini” service project in the Hesston or Newton area.
* Sponsors need to attend with their group, and groups will be responsible for transportation to their location.
* You will be emailed with information about your service location the week before Know Jesus.
* **COLLECTING ITEMS FOR MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE:** You are invited to encourage your whole church to participate in collecting **new dark or bright colored towels** for relief and hygiene kits.
	+ Hand towels - approx 16 in x 26 in
	+ Body towels - approx 29 in x 60 in

**LODGING:**

In order to meet our commitments to safe sanctuary guidelines, please remember that **each youth group must have one sponsor per ten youth** of each gender who will stay the night with their youth. i.e. If you have 1-10 boys, you must have one adult male sponsor to spend the night. If you have 1-10 girls, you must have one adult female sponsor to spend the night.

* Girls will sleep in Community Center, boys in the Education Hall
* Accommodations will be on a carpeted floor, so please bring a sleeping pad or cot if you need one
* Junior high youth must be in designated sleeping areas (12:00 am – 7:30 am)
* **REMEMBER!!!---** **sponsors are in charge of youth for the duration of their stay at KNOW JESUS**

**STUFF TO BRING:**

* Heavy coats and winter clothes for outdoor activities
* Casual clothes for outdoor and gym activity
* Sleeping bag and pillow
* Bible, notebook, pencil
* Towel, washcloth
* Soap and shampoo
* Toothbrush and toothpaste
* **Signed MEDICAL RELEASE FORM - you must have this to attend!!**
* SPONSORS ONLY-- flashlight for Anabaptist Game

**SCHEDULE 2019** (may vary slightly, start time and end time will remain)

**Saturday, February 9**

12:30p Registration — Sponsors only at registration table, please.

(Hesston Mennonite Church, Community Center)

1:00p Scavenger Hunt

1:30p Sponsor Meeting (Location TBD)

 Youth Games, CAC

2:00p **Session 1**

3:00p Mini Service Projects

5:00p Supper, Bontrager Student Center- Dining Hall (*Must have lanyard!*)

6:15p **Session 2**

7:30p Anabaptist Game Rules (CAC)

8:00p **Anabaptist Game**

9:30p Debriefing, Michele and Co. (CAC)

10:00p Ice Cream and Hot Chocolate (CAC)

10:30p LATE NIGHT ACTIVITIES (RDs and RAs) *(sponsors, distribute evenly with your students)*

11:30p Sleeping Areas *Gender segregated. One gender specific sponsor required per 10 youth.*

12:00a Quiet Time

**Sunday, February 10**

7:30-8a Wake Up and Showers available (Yost Center)

8:00a Move out of sleeping areas by 8:15! Take personal items to vehicles or CAC!

8:15a Morning Snacks and Warm Drinks

8:45a **Session 3**

10:00a Brunch, Bontrager Student Center- Dining Hall (*Must have lanyard!*)

 Evaluations

11:00a Depart

 Thank you for attending Know Jesus 2019!

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**MEDICAL RELEASE FORM**

**\*It is absolutely required for each youth attending this event to bring a signed medical release form.**

Name of youth\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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List any medications youth is currently taking \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Name of insurance company and insurance #\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency contact information:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone #\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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I give permission for basic first aid care and over-the-counter medication to be given to my youth. I also give permission for my youth to be given emergency medical treatment in the event that I cannot be reached.

Signed (parent/guardian)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH (GIRLS) REGISTRATION FORM**

Please register the names of all the junior high girls from your church who plan to attend. Feel free to attach an additional page if needed. ***PLEASE NOTE ANY FOOD ALLERGIES or intolerances!!***

**Church: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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| **Jr. High Girls Name** | **Grade** | **Address and Phone #** | **Dietary Needs** | **T-Shirt Size** |
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**FEMALE SPONSOR REGISTRATION FORM**

Please fill in information and mark with an X on lodging categories. REMEMBER as per our safe sanctuary policy, **sponsors will need to stay overnight** with youth. We will be sleeping in large, open, gender-segregated rooms. We will need to have approximately **one same gender sponsor per ten youth**.

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| **Female Sponsor Name** | **Dietary Needs** | **T-shirt****size** | **Phone Number** | **Staying****Overnight** | **Not lodging w/ youth** |
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**JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH (BOYS) REGISTRATION FORM**

Please register the names of all the junior high boys from your church who plan to attend. Feel free to attach an additional page if needed. ***PLEASE NOTE ANY FOOD ALLERGIES or intolerances!!***

**Church: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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| **Jr. High Boys Name** | **Grade** | **Address and Phone #** | **Dietary Needs** | **T-Shirt Size** |
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**MALE SPONSOR REGISTRATION FORM**

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| **Male Sponsor Name** | **Dietary Needs** | **T-shirt****size** | **Phone Number** | **Staying****Overnight** | **Not lodging w/ youth** |
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