

Winter Camp 2018 – Snow Rush FAQs

February 16 – 19, 2018

What is "Snow Rush"?

This year we are partnering with Santa Cruz Bible Church's High School camp – called SNOW RUSH – in Northstar, Tahoe! We are so excited for a weekend of snow, fun, new friendships, and teaching from both Gateway and SCBC. The trip features two full days of boarding / skiing on the slopes (or tubing for free!), hanging out in Northstar village, and awesome large group and small group worship time.

We are especially grateful to partner with another church in Santa Cruz county. We believe this partnership will allow our students to meet other believers that they may not know and unite us all as one body under Jesus. We can't wait to see how God uses this exciting trip to change many lives.

Early Bird** Regular Price

Gold

includes transportation, lodging, and food*

\$185**

\$210

Platinum

includes transportation, lodging, food*, and 1-day lift ticket

\$286**

\$311

Unobtanium

includes transportation, lodging, food*, and 2-day lift ticket

\$387**

\$412

** Students need to bring extra cash for meals on way up and back, plus snacks/treats.*

**To receive the early bird rate, registration & \$75 non-refundable deposit must be received by Jan. 21st, 2018.*

Registration: Register online at gatewaybible.org/wintercamp2018 (be sure to complete all 3 steps!)

Payment: \$75 non-refundable deposit is due with registration. The remaining balance is due by **Feb. 11th** (the Sunday *before* departure – see **"early check in"** below). Payments can be made via card, cash, or check.

Card: To make things easier for you we have an online card option! Visit our webpage (gatewaybible.org/wintercamp2018) to pay online (under "Step 3 – Pay").

Cash or Check: All checks should be made out to Gateway Bible Church. You can bring the payment to church on Sunday and give to Nate, or you can bring it in an envelope with the student's name & the camp name (*Snow Rush*) to the Gateway office. Our offices are open Monday-Thursday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. You can also mail in checks to Gateway Bible Church, Attn: Nate Hennes, 5000 Granite Creek Road, Scotts Valley, CA 95066.

Scholarship Applications: We do have a limited number of scholarships available. To find out more, talk to Nate. Please note that our scholarships are limited. We cannot guarantee scholarships to all applicants, but will try our best to help out where needed. We are unable to provide full scholarships to individual students.

***REQUIRED*: Early Check In:** We will be holding two check-in options for Snow Rush. Please come by the church Sunday, February 11th right after service at 12pm OR on Wednesday, February 14th at 6:30pm right before our High School Gathering. We ask that you stop by to turn in **all paperwork** and **final balance**

due so we can make departure on Friday as easy as possible. If you are unable to make it to early check in, please contact Nate at nate@gatewaybible.org to schedule a check in time.

Departure Time*: We are meeting at the Gateway parking lot at 11:00am on Friday, February 16th. *Please note that our departure time may change depending on weather conditions or other unforeseen circumstances.

If your student has school on Friday February 16th, we ask that they take a half day. This trip is over President's Day Weekend which means traffic is terrible and our trip is longer. We want to ensure that we arrive at our destination before dark falls. 3Students cannot get on the bus unless balance is paid in full and release forms are turned in. Snacks to share will be collected at this time.

Return Time: Around 3:30 pm on Monday, February 19th. Please note that our return time may change depending on weather conditions or other unforeseen circumstances. We will do our best to keep you updated!

We will have your students call when we are passing through San Jose, about 30 minutes from the church. Please pick your student up on time.

Medical Release Forms: We need a current medical release form for each student for Gateway Bible Church. Please note that this particular release form is unique to this event. **Every student needs to fill out this new release form.** Forms can be filled out online at gatewaybible.org/wintercamp2018 or picked up in the office or Youth Center.

Equipment Rentals: **Please rent your gear in town prior to departure, NOT at Northstar. Students cannot rent equipment at Northstar.** You can rent at Helm (skis+snowboards), or Pacific Wave (snowboards).

Accommodations: We will be staying in several condos in the Kingswood Village Condominiums on the North Shore of Tahoe and skiing/snowboarding at Northstar Resort. Boys & girls will be in separate cabins.

Leaders & Supervision: Snow Rush will be overseen by church staff as well as a number of our leaders. We expect a 1-to-5 leader to student ratio. Students are required to stay in groups of at least three or more whenever not with a leader. If you have concerns about your student's supervision please contact Nate.

Transportation: Santa Cruz Bible Church buses & van, driven by licensed and experienced bus drivers from Santa Cruz Bible Church.

Conduct: It is important to remember that we represent not only Gateway but the Lord Jesus Christ on this trip. Best behavior is expected and required. Inappropriate actions, language, or treatment of other students / leaders will not be tolerated. If any of this occurs, leaders will report it to the youth pastor and he will determine the disciplinary action to take, which could include sending the student home early.

What to Bring: Snow gear, sleeping bag, pillow, toiletries, towel, sunglasses, sunscreen, warm clothes, pajamas, jacket, flashlight, Bible (if you don't have one we will bring extras), pen, money for a total of **three** meals- on the way up (1) and back (1) & on the slopes (1) (we will provide breakfast and dinner Saturday & Sunday as well as breakfast Monday), snacks to share. Everything packed in a duffle bag!

What NOT to Bring: Drugs (unless they have been prescribed by a doctor, turned into the Snow Rush nurse, and noted on the medical release form), alcohol, tobacco, knives, fireworks, or firearms. NO square bags!

Emergency Numbers: (please *only* call in the case of an emergency)

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