



Welcome Parents,

If you are meeting my team and I for the first time, we are excited to have you join us. For those of you coming back year after year, we are incredibly honored you bring your student(s) to this program. Newburg Student Ministry (NSM) doesn't run without you; you are the ones who get your student here and for that we thank you! This year will be packed with amazing opportunities to serve our God and His people. As well, NSM exists to serve students exploring their faith, we do this by focusing on Connecting Christ and our Community daily.

Here is a little about myself: my name is Ali Belsky, and this will be my sixth year as your Director of Student Ministry. I was born and raised in Waterford, MI. What a blessing it has been to live in one of the most beautiful towns full of amazing lakes! My family is full of crazy cultural dynamics -- my father (Larry) was brought up in the Jewish faith while my mother (Maggi) was raised in the Catholic Church. My brother (Zack) and sister (Shannon) are both adopted from Seoul Korea, we all were brought up in the United Methodist Church. As you can probably assume, religion has shaped me to be who I am. As a teenager, I was struggling through all these thoughts as well, wondering "what about this belief... or that belief?" That is why I love what I do. I get to see students ask those question about who they are, where they will go, and what they want to do in this world. Eventually I was led Great Lakes Christian College, where I doubled majored in Youth Ministry and Biblical Theology. The greatest accomplishment in my life has been answering God's call for me to be in ministry.

Parents, I would love to get to know you. Please feel free to invite me to your student(s) games, extracurricular activities, whatever it might be -- I would love to be there. If you would just like to grab coffee and talk, I would love to do that too. I am here to serve you as well as your students. With that said, please take time to look through this packet of information. I will always try my best to best equip you with tools to help you navigate parenting your teen or even taking YOUR TIME TO BE WITH GOD. Let's partner up in making this year fantastic!

GET PUMPED!

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OUR PURPOSE

A fun, welcoming community where students 6th- 12th can worship, serve, and grow in faith together toward becoming deeply committed Christians.



YOUTH GROUP

Every Sunday from 6pm-8pm we gather, play games, worship and refuel for the week with our small groups. Mid-High & Sr. High worship together, then split up for small group time.



THE HANGOUT

Our mid-week hangout is for students to come bring their homework and simply hangout. We will have a room for quite working and a place for students to just need to relax with games and friends. Join us Wednesday weekly our doors open at 4pm-7pm. As well, we will always have \$5 pizza!



CARE GROUPS

All our leaders have a group of students whom they are checking in on. Parents will have their contact information as well. Be sure to invite leaders to all of your student's fun team events, concerts and more so that leaders can do our best to come cheer them on with you!

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EXCITING RETREATS & CAMPS

Weekly programs are amazing, but have you ever tried camps/mission trips/retreats in addition to those? Be on the lookout for the following details as they come your way during the year and truly get plugged in!

SENIOR HIGH RETREAT

Retreat is for 9th-12th grade, this weekend is packed with worship and community. We will hear from a guest speaker, have small group discussions, partner up with a mission and have plenty of time for games and community building!

CIY MOVE

CIY MOVE is a great faith building program for Sr. High students. This week long event typically takes place in June a few days/weeks after school gets out.

APPALACHIA SERVICE PROJECT

ASP is our week-long Sr. High & Young Adult mission trip. During this week students, young adults, and adult volunteers work together to making homes "Safer, Warmer and Dryer" in the community of Appalachia.

MOTOWN MISSION EXPERIENCE

MME is our week-long Mid-High mission trip, located in our backyard of Detroit. During this week students experience a variety of missional opportunities from food service, yard clean-up, and even home repair.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

OCT
09

THREE CEDARS FARM
4 PM - 8 PM

PUMPKIN CARVING
6 PM - 8 PM

OCT
30

NOV
05

SENIOR HIGH RETREAT
FRIDAY-SUNDAY

RAKE N' RUN
12 PM

NOV
13

DEC
18

CHRISTMAS PARTY
TIME: TBD

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