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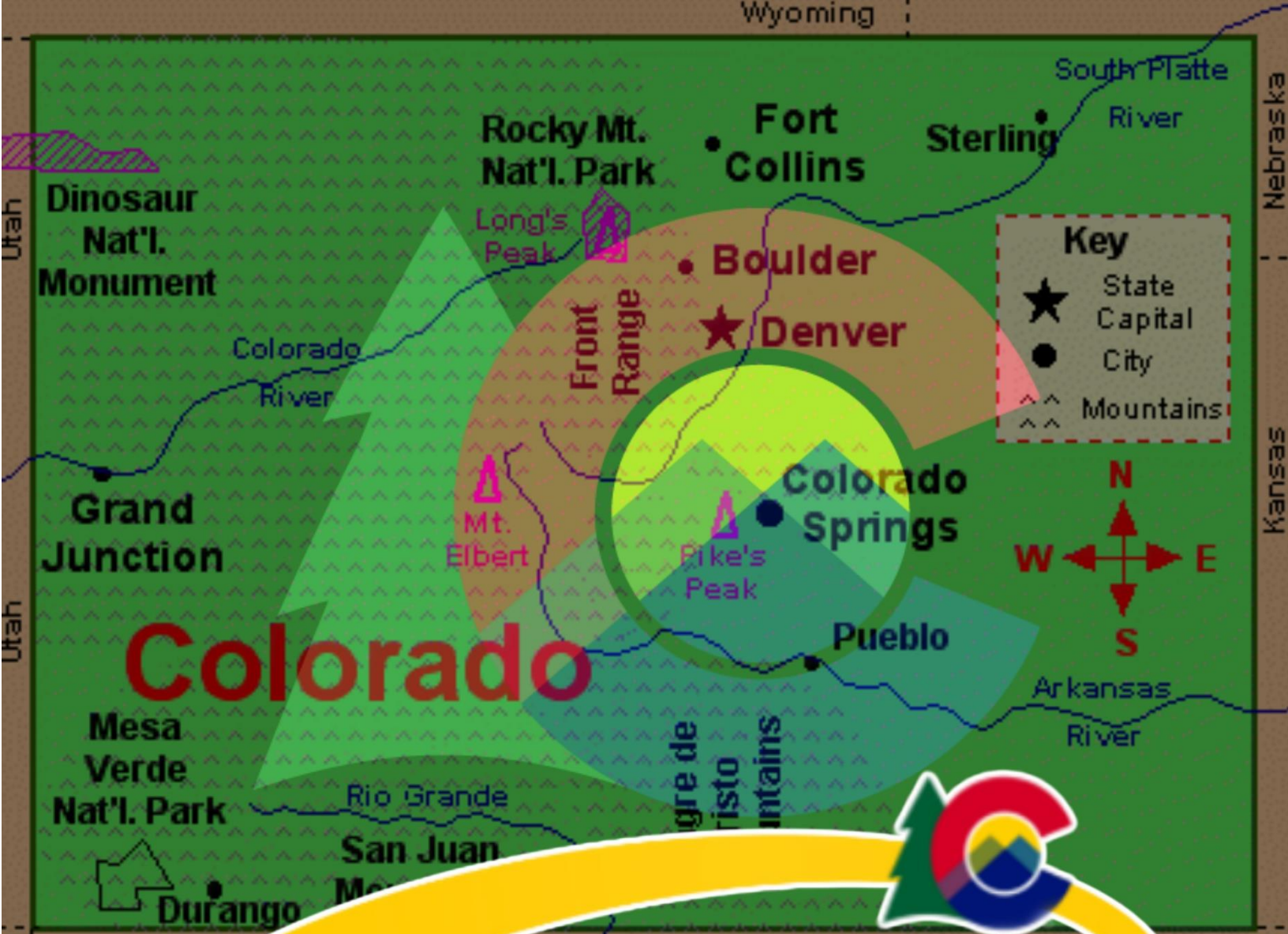
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## **Welcome from your CO NYI Council.**

Welcome to NYI Convention of the Colorado District Church of the Nazarene.

This has been a year of both challenges and many rewards. Early on our CONYI Council went through some unexpected changes in leadership, but God is good, and we have prevailed and grown through the year. Dr. Askren filled in as our CO NYI District President, while Ben Rockwell, VP, took on the work and travel responsibilities of the District President. We are truly blessed with an amazing group of leaders who have a heart for the youth of the Colorado District NYI.

It has been a blessed and exciting year for the Colorado District NYI. Right after District Assembly and NYI Convention we flew out 148 leaders and students to beautiful Tampa Bay, Florida for NYC23'. (Which reminds me, NYC26' is quickly approaching and you can find more information on our CO NYI website at [nycolorado.com](http://nycolorado.com).) Following NYC23' was Water World, in August, we then kicked off NYI Quizzing in September, PowerSurge at Estes Park, CO in November, Main Event at NOCO Sports, in January 24' and we just wrapped up NYI Teen Camp at Golden Bell in this month. Wow! What a year! We are happy to report that ALL our events had an increase in participation with many lives of students impacted and changed by the Holy Spirit.

On September 19, 2023, Nazarene Youth International celebrated its 100-year anniversary! During the Quadrennial Address of the 1919 General Assembly, the board of General Superintendents stated, "The hope of our future is in our young people; therefore, we cannot place too much emphasis upon the importance of saving them and placing upon them the responsibility of our work." First Timothy 4:12, the inspiration of NYI, says, "Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity." It is so easy to simply stop at that first comma, but you are called to so much more. YOU are challenged to set an example to ALL believers and to live your life in a way that glorifies God. Paul goes on to say to devote yourself to reading, preaching and teaching scripture. Don't neglect your gifts, be diligent and keep a close watch on your life and doctrine so that you may persevere in Christ for yourself and others. In other words, do not let your youth keep you from being a fully devoted follower of Jesus Christ.

We would like to say thank you to our NYI students across the Colorado district for participating in NYI Convention and our events throughout the year and thank you for letting us be a part of your lives. Thank you to our incredible pastors, youth pastors, leaders and volunteers who have answered the call of sharing Jesus with the young people of Colorado. Thank for the late nights, the paperwork, the phone calls and texts, the planning and giving of your time to impact the lives of young people for Jesus. We love, value and appreciate each one of you. We are praying for you and excited to see what the Lord has in store for the Colorado District NYI this year.

Your CONYI Council

## **Colorado NYI Convention 2024**



## Agenda / Schedule

NYI Convention Start (9:00 AM)

Welcome and Prayer

Worship led by One Hope Worship Team

Devotion

President's Report, Vice President's Report, Secretary's Report,  
Treasurer's Report

Water World Report

Powersurge Report

Main Event Report

Camp Report

Quizzing Report

Begin Elections

NYC Promo and Information

Recognition of 2023/2024 Council

Results of Elections

Recognition of New Council/ Prayer over New Council.

Adjournment (12:00 PM)

# Colorado NYI Event Calendar

## Thu Jun 20-21, 2024

### All day CO District Assembly

Thu Jun 27, 2024 - Fri Jun 28, 2024

**Where:** One Hope Church of the Nazarene, 5301 S Federal Cir, Littleton, CO 80123, USA

## Sat Jun 22, 2024

### 9am-2pm CO NYI Convention

Sat Jun 29, 2024

**Where:** One Hope Church of the Nazarene, 5301 S Federal Cir, Littleton, CO 80123, USA

## Sat Aug 3, 2024

### 9am-6pm NYI Water World Day 2024

Sat Aug 3, 2024

**Where:** Water World, 8801 N Pecos St, Federal Heights, CO 80260, USA

## Sat Aug 31, 2024

### 10am - 2pm CO NYI Council Meeting

**Where:** One Hope Church of the Nazarene, 5301 S Federal Cir, Littleton, CO 80123, USA

## Fri Oct 11-13, 2024 (Pending)

### All day The Call at NNU 2024

Fri Oct 11, 2024 - Sun Oct 13, 2024

**Where:** Northwest Nazarene University, 623 S University Blvd, Nampa, ID 83686, USA

## Fri Nov 8-10, 2024

### All day NYI PowerSurge 2024

Fri Nov 8, 2024 - Sun Nov 10, 2024

**Where:**

YMCA of the Rockies - Estes Park Center, 2515 Tunnel Rd, Estes Park, CO 80511, USA

**Sat Jan 25, 2025**

**All day CO NYI Council Meeting**

Sat Jan 25, 2025

**Where:**

TBD

**Fri Mar 28-Sun Mar 30, 2025**

**All day NYI Main Event 2025**

Fri Mar 14, 2025 - Sun Mar 16, 2025

**Where:** NOCO Sports Center, 5699 Crooked Stick Dr, Windsor, CO 80550, USA

**Sat Apr 26, 2025**

**All day CO NYI Council Meeting**

Sat Apr 26, 2025

**Where:** TBD

**Fri May 23-Sun May 25, 2025 (Pending)**

**All day The Great Northwest Field Youth Conference 2025**

Fri May 23, 2025 - Sun May 25, 2025

**Where:** Northwest Nazarene University, 623 S University Blvd, Nampa, ID 83686, USA

**Fri Jun 6-Mon Jun 9, 2025**

**All day NYI Teen Camp 2025**

Fri Jun 6, 2025 - Sun Jun 9, 2025

**Where:** Golden Bell Camp & Conference Center, 380 Co Rd 512, Divide, CO 80814, USA

**Thu Jun 26-Friday Jun 27, 2025**

**All day Colorado District Assembly**

Thu Jun 26, 2025 - Fri Jun 27, 2025

**Where:** TBD

**Sat Jun 28, 2025**

**9am-2pm CO NYI Convention**

Sat Jun 28 2025

**Where:** TBD

**Sat Aug 2, 2025**

**All day NYI Water World Day 2025**

Sat Aug 2, 2025

**Where:** Water World, 8801 N Pecos St, Federal Heights, CO 80260, USA

**Sat Aug 30, 2025**

**All day CO NYI Council Meeting**

Sat Aug 30, 2025

**Where:** TBD

**Fri Oct 10 – Sun Oct 12, 2025**

**All day The Call at NNU 2025 (Pending)**

Fri Oct 10, 2025 - Sun Oct 12, 2025

**Where:** Northwest Nazarene University, 623 S University Blvd, Nampa, ID 83686, USA

**Fri Nov 14-Sun Nov 16, 2025**

**All day NYI PowerSurge 2025**

Fri Nov 14, 2025 - Sun Nov 16, 2025

**Where:** YMCA of the Rockies - Estes Park Center, 2515 Tunnel Rd, Estes Park, CO 80511, USA

**Sat Jan 31, 2026**

**All day CO NYI Council Meeting**

Sat Jan 31, 2025

**Where:** TBD

**Fri Mar 13-Sun Mar 15, 2026**

**All day NYI Main Event 2026**

Fri Mar 13, 2026 - Sun Mar 15, 2026

**Where:** NOCO Sports Center, 5699 Crooked Stick Dr, Windsor, CO 80550, USA

**Fri May 22 – Sun May 24, 2026 (Pending)**

**All day The Great Northwest Field Youth Conference 2026**

Fri May 22, 2026 - Sun May 24, 2026

**Where:** Northwest Nazarene University, 623 S University Blvd, Nampa, ID 83686, USA

## **Fri Jun 5-Mon Jun 8, 2026**

### **All day NYI Teen Camp 2026**

Fri Jun 5, 2026 - Sun Jun 8, 2026

**Where:** Golden Bell Camp & Conference Center, 380 Co Rd 512, Divide, CO 80814, USA

## **Thur-Fri Jun 2026 TBD**

### **All day Colorado District Assembly**

Thu Jun 26, 2025 - Fri Jun 27, 2025

Where: TBD

## **Sat June, 2026 TBD**

### **9am-2pm CO NYI Convention**

Sat Jun 2026

**Where:** TBD

## **July 2026 NYC26' TBD**

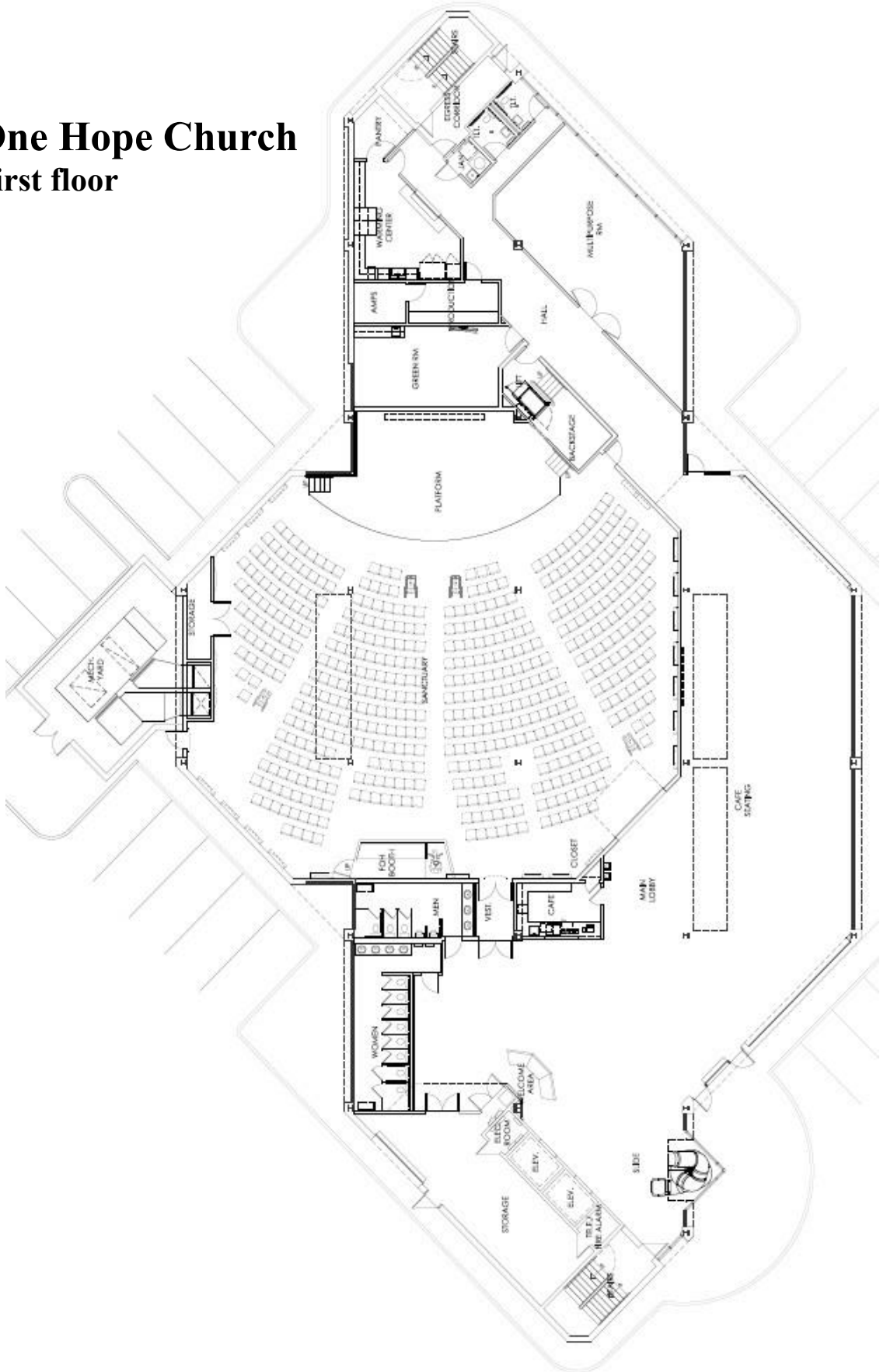
### **9am-2pm CO NYI Convention**

Sat July 2026

**Where:** Salt Lake City, UT

# One Hope Church

## First floor





## 2024 District NYI Report

Vice President: Ben Rockwell

June 22, 2024

Colorado District,

To begin, I would like to thank God for his leadership, guidance, and strength for the church year of 2023-2024. The NYI Leadership team experienced turnover and changes, but God remained steadfast in his faithfulness. Furthermore, I would also like to thank the District Office, the Executive Council, and the youth pastors and leaders of Colorado. Through their commitment to the youth of our state, God moved in powerful ways.

Perhaps the highlight of the year was the NYC trip to Tampa Bay, Florida. In July, one hundred forty-eight youth leaders and students from Colorado participated in this wonderful event. God moved in powerful ways through worship, the speakers, and the various activities planned. The leaders of NYC announced that the next NYC will happen in the Summer of 2026 in Salt Lake City, Utah. The excitement and planning for this event have already begun. A NYC Leader will be appointed at the NYI Convention at District Assembly 2024. The summer closed with the Water World NYI Event. This was an extremely successful event. As mentioned previously, the year began with turnover in the position of District President. In August, the council met to determine what the next step would be, and it was decided that Dr. Virgil Askren would assume the position of President and that I would handle most of the work of the President. Ken Davis was appointed as the Treasurer, and Jimmie Profitt was elected to be the Secretary. Brianna Newell was also chosen to be the NYI Young Adult Coordinator. This executive team has been incredibly helpful in facilitating the events and activity of the Colorado NYI.

To continue, the Call Conference was hosted by the NYI Field Council. I traveled to this event to meet with the Field Council and help run the Call Conference. The meetings of the NYI Field Council were led by Chris Wigam. It was a joy meeting the Field Council and discussing the future of the Field. The Call Conference was an excellent event in which youth leaders and students pursued God's calling on their lives. This event will be pushed more intentionally on the NYI Colorado Council in order that more students from Colorado may attend. This focus aligns with the vision Dr. Askren has for the youth of Colorado. Immediately after the Call Conference, Colorado hosted the annual Powersurge led by Pastor Eric Arpelar. Three hundred three attendees participated in this event. Countless pastors and leaders from around the state led workshops. Worship and messages from the speaker were impactful. The focus chosen by the speaker Div and Pastor Eric focused on Jesus' words in Matthew 6:6. Furthermore, a group of young adults met with Brianna Newell. The feedback from this event was exceedingly positive! We are grateful for the leadership of Pastor Eric.

In the spring, two events were held. I traveled to NNU to participate in the Leadership Conference. This was a helpful opportunity in which I was able to learn ways to improve

leadership here in our District. Next, Main Event was led by Pastor Craig Krager. This event was plagued by an unusually large spring snow. Despite the snow, one hundred eighty-seven attendees braved the elements to participate in this event. Students participated in competition through preaching, musical performance, artistic entries, and sports tournaments. Frank Cirone was the speaker. His message focused on the importance of making Jesus the foundation and center of life. What an important message for the youth of Colorado. The final event of the year will be Camp led by Ken Davis. To conclude, district quizzing was led by Eric Arpelar in 2023-2024. The quizzers participated in multiple tournaments throughout the year. Teams from Durango and Cortez continually went head-to-head in creative competitions in which their Biblical knowledge was put to the test. Pastor Eric is continually working to make Bible quizzing an important part of NYI.

The NYI Council met twice after the meeting in August. We met at Springs First in January to discuss the future of NYI in 2025. The Nomination meeting in April was held at the Crossing Church. Both meetings were successful. The nominated leaders will be voted on at the NYI Convention. My time as acting President and Vice President will come to an end in June. Because of my father's health complications, I will be handing leadership over to the more than qualified candidates for President and Vice President. It has been a joy and privilege to serve the Lord as Vice President of this wonderful district. It is my continual prayer that God will bless the leaders and youth of Colorado in supernatural ways in 2024-2025.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Pastor Benjamin Rockwell





**2023/2024 CO NYI Council Meeting Highlights**  
**Secretary Report: Jimmie Profitt**  
**June 22, 2024**

In this, my first year as Colorado NYI Secretary, I am extremely pleased to report a highly active, exciting, and successful year for your CO NYI. "Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think. Glory to him in the church and in Christ Jesus through all generations forever and ever! Amen" Ephesians 3:20-21

Your NYI Council held three general meetings (Aug, Jan, April) and one executive meeting (Sept) since last year's 2023 NYI Convention, all of which were well-represented by committee members. All our meetings were run in person, hosted at different churches across our district. Our last meeting was hosted at The Crossing Church in Westminster, CO, where we nominated the candidates that you will be voting on today.

It is a tribute to our council in terms of what has been accomplished this year amid our newly elected NYI President, Kristen Sterner, resigning in August to move back to her home state. Our Colorado DS, Dr. Virgil Askren, stepped in as our NYI President ex officio for the remainder the term. Our NYI VP, Ben Rockwell, also stepped into filling most, if not all the responsibilities of the NYI president such as travel and overseeing district and field events. Even amid personal difficulties, Ben, who has an amazing heart for the youth of Colorado, has shown incredible tenacity leading our NYI Council this year. Ken Davis has also done another fantastic job overseeing the finances of the CONYI budget.

Some decisions that have been made by your council this year include:

- Brianna Everhart appointed as our new College/Career Director
- Applying excess funds from NYC23 to help offset costs for some of our CO NYI events like PowerSurge, Main Event, Teen Camp, etc.
- Actively pursuing, engaging, and including our college age young adults in more Colorado activities and events
- Updated our website and actively posting events and other resources
- Intentional work toward strengthening our relationship with Golden Bell Camp
- Planned improvements toward CONYI quizzing
- Selected a new credit card processing company, Cheddar Up, for CO NYI Events

- Purchased Silent Disco equipment to have available for our NYI events.

A big thank you to our CONYI Event Coordinators, Craig Krager, Ken Davis, Alex Edwards, and Eric Arpelar and those who volunteer and support them in creating exciting, fun and Spirit filled events throughout the Colorado District for our youth. All our events this year have had an increase in youth participation.

You should know that these servants of our Lord put in a lot of dedication, hard work, and heart into what they do every year. They certainly do not do it for their own glory, they do it because they love and care about the youth of Colorado and they want them to know Jesus in amazing ways. Without all of you, your dedication, and your time, many things just simply would not happen. You ARE appreciated, you are loved, and you are prayed over.

Thank you to our Colorado District pastors, youth pastors, leaders, and sponsors/ volunteers. Your desire to follow Jesus into the trenches of ministry, especially youth ministry, is not always easy, but is admirable and necessary. I know that sometimes it is easy to feel all alone in youth ministry, but I want you to know that you are not alone. Know that you are loved, and prayed over regularly and we have your back, but even more so, Jesus has your back. Keep up the good fight.

Finally, thank you to all our youth in the Colorado NYI District. Thank you for showing up and participating in the events your CONYI put on throughout the year. YOU are the reason we work so hard to bring you experiences that will last a lifetime and more importantly draw you closer to Jesus. Keep showing up, keep sharing your experiences and Jesus with your peers, keep inviting your friends and keep your eyes on Jesus. Know that we are praying for you too.

Again, thank you very much Dr. Askren and Ben Rockwell for your leadership and guidance on the CONYI Council this year. Praying for you.

Soli Deo Gloria,

Respectfully Submitted



Pastor Jimmie Profitt  
CONYI Secretary

# Colorado NYI Treasurer Report

Not Yet Submitted

# 2024 NYI College Age Director Report

College Age Director: Brianna Newell

June 22, 2024

In this, my first year as the newly created position of College Age Director, I am happy to report a successful first year. I have had the opportunity to serve as part of the CO District NYI Council for four years. My first year I served as a senior youth rep and two years as one of our college age reps. I am excited to work with and plan events to minister to the College and Career young adults in our churches across Colorado District.

PowerSurge in November last year, as always, was a great event with 17 attending our College and Career track! We had College/Career focused workshops that were attended, deep after service conversations and we took a fun trip to Estes for dinner where we fellowshiped and got to know each other better. Following PowerSurge came Main Event in March where our College and Career participants used their talents to help wherever they were needed, whether that was with the worship team, judging talent or coaching sports. It was great to see our College and Career participants experience the blessing of serving other and to be able to reconnect after not seeing each other since last November.

I am looking forward to this next year with great anticipation as I will be branching our College and Career track out a little bit more. In late summer or early fall we will be going on a hike! Eryn Ballard loves nature and, when she went to college, she had the opportunity to lead a group on a hike. We are so thankful to have her as part of our CO NYI District Council!

I am working with College and Career on new ideas and events to grow from a small group, with all the teens at their event, to having their own time and spaces as well and even more involvement. Of course, College and Career will continue to attend and support PowerSurge and Main Event, but we also want to create new activities and events that are focused and relevant toward our stages of life. New spaces where we can fellowship, encourage, learn and grow together in our walk with Christ.

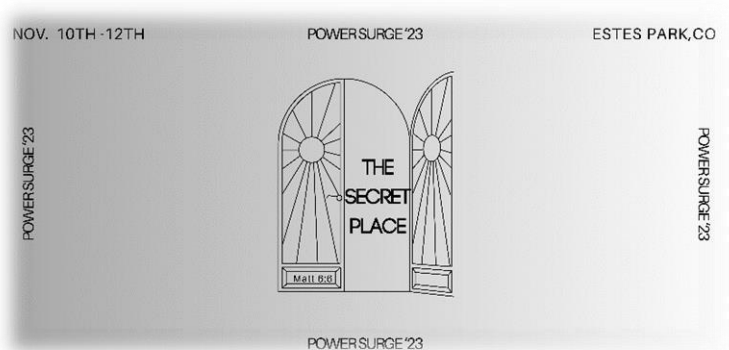
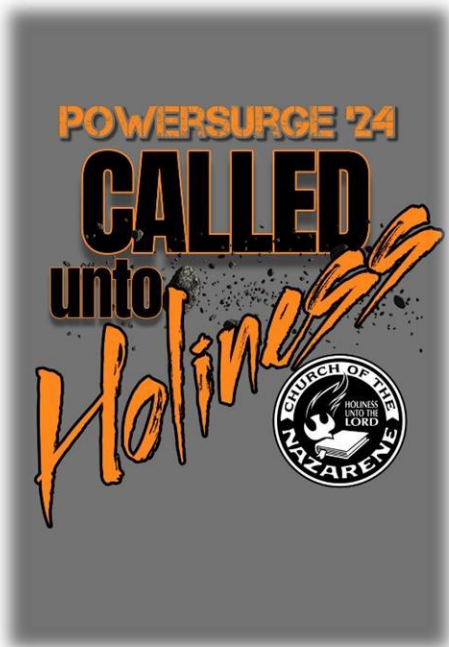
I am so thankful for the opportunity to work with the people in the CO NYI District and the opportunity to serve as the College and Career Director. I am truly excited to continue learning how to organize groups and events to help our College and Career track grow and prosper. Most importantly, I am excited to see God work in me, the young adults and the events we participate in.

“Many are the plans in a person’s heart, but it is the Lord’s purpose that prevails”  
Proverbs 19:21

Respectfully submitted,  
Brianna Newell  
CO NYI College Age Director

# Water World Report

Not Yet Submitted



## **Power Surge 2023 - 2024 ANNUAL Event Report**

**NYI Convention – June 22nd, 2024**

**One Hope Church of the Nazarene**

*14 Pursue peace with all people, and the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. – Hebrews 12:14*

### **August 2023**

PowerSurge registration launched 2023 with early bird registration starting at \$148, early registration at \$158, and regular registration at \$175. To pay the deposit, a check had to be made out to "CO NYI" within 14 days, with the remaining balance to be paid at registration on location. The deposit for PowerSurge was paid on March 10th, totaling \$2765.00. The event featured workshops on Spiritual Formation, Bible Study Practices, Christian Worldview, Prayer, Dealing with Pornography, and addiction.

Pastor Cherie Reiter from The Connection Church lead the worship team, and Stephanie Gunstream, the Guest Relations Coordinator & Admissions Counselor from NNU spoke to prospective students. Pastor Jimmie Proffitt was extremely instrumental in the website's design and the event was a Holy Spirit-filled experience.

### **January 2024**

On November 10th, 2023, over 300 NYI youth attended Power Surge 2023—The Secret Place at the YMCA of the Rockies. The event was a powerful experience, with the Holy Spirit poured down on the teens. The intercessory prayer service was particularly powerful, with teens praying over each other and their leaders. Following the service, workshops focused on discipleship and prayer were held, with positive feedback from the participants.

The worship team, including Pastor Cherie, Jarod Lowery, Nikki Nielsen, Pastor Brian, and Pastor Daniel, was praised for their Holy Spirit-powered worship. Pastor Div's sermon on The Secret Place was particularly powerful, emphasizing the importance of prayer and spending time talking to God. The event was a success, but there were areas for improvement.

The gym was taken over by a karate tournament, and the gym was only available for the kids. The workshop setup could be improved by having other pastors bring audio/visual equipment, but the YMCA IT department would handle this. The pastors should emphasize the importance of workshops as much as worship services, and next year, there will only be a middle school and high school track.

In summary, Power Surge 2023 was a successful event, but there are areas for improvement.

I would like to thank all the workshop instructors: Pastor Jimmie for the prayer service, Pastor Div, Pastor Cherie and the band, and Pastor Craig for doing the games and activities.

For this year's PowerSurge, I have asked Pastor Jeb Bunn to be our speaker, who is the senior pastor at Pasco Church of the Nazarene in Washington. He has accepted the invitation after a week of prayer and meditation.

## **April 2024**

Power Surge 2024 is set to launch registration on August 5th, 2024, and will be advertised at the NYI Convention and Teen Camp. Reverend Jeb Bunn will be the speaker, and the theme is Called Unto Holiness, which aligns with the church's theme of Blessing Your Community. The event will feature workshops such as "What Drives You?" "Repost Evangelism," "Living a Life of Holiness as a Teen," and "Repost Evangelism." Returning instructors include Keith Morgan of True Life, Ed Belzer and Jon Wilhite of Aurora Tower, and Gary Haddix of Greeley Celebration. More commitments are expected, and young adults will have their own set of events with Briana and Jacob Newell.



In Christ,

*Eric R. Arpelar*  
**Pastor Eric R. Arpelar**  
**Power Surge Events**



## NYI ANNUAL QUIZZING REPORT 2023-2024

June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024

One Hope Church of the Nazarene

*“I have hidden your word in my heart  
that I might not sin against you.” - Psalm  
119:11*

### **August 2023**

The time came again for our students to put on the Full Armor of God and study their Word as they prepared for the quizzing season (Ephesians 6:10-17). The 2023 -2024 season was posted and sent out on August 9th, 2023. It is available and posted on the [Colorado District Website](#), [the Colorado Nyi website](#), and the [Western Slope Quiz League Facebook Page](#).

The Books of the Bible that were studied this year were the Epistles of the Apostle Paul: Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, and Philemon.

All churches were invited to these meets for this season, but all meets were held at either Cortez or Durango for the 2023–2024 season. We have also invited other churches in the Four Corners area that would like to participate as well. Our first meeting was at Durango Faith Community on Saturday, November 18th, 2023, and the teens quizzed on the books of Galatians, Ephesians, and Philippians.

### **January 2024**

The Western Slope Quiz Meet kicked off on Saturday, November 18th, with the Paul's Missionary Journey Meet that was hosted at Durango Faith Community with about 12 quizzers who came to compete from Durango Faith Community and Cortez Church of the Nazarene. This was followed by THE PHILLIPI MEET, which was hosted by Cortez Church of the Nazarene on December 9th for the first afternoon meet that began at 1 p.m.

For the start of the year, we began with our Quiz Camp II at Cortez Church of the Nazarene with nine participants from Cortez and Durango that were led by Pastor Janelle. The clinic was a great time to immerse themselves in scripture and techniques to finish the quiz season.

With two regular season meets left this season and the championship in April, the competition is tighter this year than ever. The records are close, and the host of the championship is anyone's game.



I also had a Northwest District Quiz Directors Meeting with Mr. William Buckholdt at the Field Finals in May and had a chance to meet with other quiz directors in the regions. This will get the creative juices flowing about the possibility of sending quizzers from Colorado this year.

## April 2024

The Western Slope Quiz League had their final two regular season meets in February with the **COLOSSAE & PHILEMON MEET** that was held at Cortez Church of the Nazarene. Then, the action continued March 30th as we closed out the season at Durango Faith Community Church with Paul’s Epistles Meeting. Now, based on the cumulative score, Durango Thunderclap is at **427.5** and Cortez Echo is at **348.33**. So, Durango has won the right to host the 2024 District Championship, which was held on Sunday, April 28th, from 3:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. See the scores below:

Quizzer	November	December	February	March	TOTAL	
CORTEZ						
Cat	280	100	430	180	990	
Obie	40	-10	0	0	30	
Zane	40	0	120	0	160	
Audry	20	20	310	60	410	
Adelynn		0	260	20	280	
Samson		0	200	20	220	
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DURANGO						
Stefan	140	0	390	180	710	
Yuhao	50	70	280	160	560	
Haley	40	30	280	80	430	
Grant	10	0	0	0	10	
					<b>1710</b>	<b>427.5</b>

## 2023-2024 – CHAMPIONSHIP

The championship was held on a Sunday evening that began with a dinner of champions led by Pastor Rick Williams. Then, we began with the competition. It was a great competition, and you can see the results below:

Quizzer	Round 1	2	3	4	B1	B2	Total
Cat	20	60	60	20	90	40	290
Stefan	20	40	20	40	80	20	220

Haley	40	20	40		20	20	140
Zane A	20	20		10	20	20	90
Audry	20	20				20	60
Yuhao			20	20	-10		30
Zane						20	20
Samson		20					20
Krissy		20					20
Colton		20					20
Obie							0
Adelynn							0

After the championship, this was the results for the season:

<b>Quizzer</b>	November	December	February	March	April	TOTAL
Cat	280	100	430	180	290	1280
Stefan	140	0	390	180	220	930
Yuhao	50	70	280	160	30	590
Haley	40	30	280	80	140	570
Audry	20	20	310	60	60	470
Adelynn		0	260	20		280
Samson		0	200	20	20	240
Zane	40	0	120	0	20	180
Zane A						90
Obie	40	-10	0	0		30
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## TEAM

- District Champions – Durango 1

- District Runner-Up – Cortez 1
- Consolation Champions – Cortez 2
- Consolation Runner-Up – Durango 2

## INDIVIDUAL

- League Champion – All District Captain – Catherine Hoffman (Cortez)
- District Runner-Up – All District CO-Captain – Stefan Williams (Durango)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – All District Selection – Yuhao Yang (Durango)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place – All District Selection – Haley Williams (Durango)
- 5<sup>th</sup> Place – All District Selection – Audrey Frazier (Cortez)
- 6<sup>th</sup> Place – All Church Captain – Adelynn Hyde (Cortez)
- 7<sup>th</sup> Place - All Church CO-Captain – Samson Hyde (Cortez)
- 8<sup>th</sup> Place – All Church Selection – Zane Frazier (Cortez)
- 9<sup>th</sup> Place - All Church Selection – Zane Arpelar (Durango) - **RETIRED**
- 10<sup>th</sup> Place - All Church Selection – Colton Cauldron / Krissy Williams (Durango) – (Krissy) -**RETIRED**
- Alternates



Congratulations to Durango Thunderclap and Cortez Echo for a great season.

Respectfully Submitted,

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# Main Event Director Report

Not Yet Submitted

# Camp Director Report

Not Yet Submitted

# **Current Colorado District NYI Council**

## **2023-2024**

### **Colorado NYI Leadership Council (Term: 2023-2024)**

District NYI President: Dr. Virgil Askren (Colorado DS)

District NYI Vice President: Ben Rockwell (Trinity)

District NYI Secretary: Jimmie Profitt (Springs First)

District NYI Treasurer: Ken Davis (Connection Church)

District NYI College Age Director: Brianna Newell (Fort Morgan)

### **Colorado NYI Event Directors (Term 2023-2024)**

Bible Quizzing: Eric Arpelar (Durango)

PowerSurge: Eric Arpelar

Main Event: Craig Krager

Jr./Sr. High Teen Camp: Ken Davis

Water World Day: Alex Edwards

NYC 26': TBD

### **Colorado NYI At Large Council Members (Term 2023-2024)**

College/Young Adult Reps: Conlan Farrell & Eryn Ballard

Senior Youth Reps: Carson Reed, Makayla Krager, Jaedyn Krager and Turner McClellan

Early Youth Reps: Elle Walker & Acacia Schubert

Recorded and submitted by

**Jimmie Profitt, District NYI Secretary**

# 2024 Nominating Committee Report

The Colorado District NYI Leadership Council met in person on Saturday, April 27, 2024 and made the nominations listed below.

## 2024 CO NYI Ballot Nominations

SAMPLE

\* Indicates an incumbent for all positions. Church membership listed in parentheses.

### CO NYI President (Term: 2024-2025) Elect 1:

- Craig Krager (Loveland)

### CO District NYI Vice President (Term: 2024-2025) Elect 1:

- Stacey Hassell (Westminster Crossing)  Clint Tafoya (Aurora Tower)

### CO District NYI College Age/Young Adult Rep (Term: 2024-2025) Elect 2:

- Eryn Ballard – (Loveland)  Logen Proffitt – (CO Springs First)  
 \*Makayla Krager – (Loveland)

### CO District NYI Senior Youth Reps (Term: 2024-2025) Elect 3:


- Brooke Besko (Westminster Crossing)  Rylan Tyler (Westminster Crossing)  
 Deborah Adao (Littleton ONE Hope)  Hayvin Wilder (Littleton ONE Hope)  
 \*Jaedyn Krager (Loveland)

### CO District NYI Early Youth Reps (Term: 2024-2025) Elect 3:

- \*Elle Walker (Loveland)  \*Acacia Schubert (Littleton ONE Hope)  
 Xavier Wilder (Littleton ONE Hope)  Elizabeth Peterson (Littleton ONE Hope)  
 Emily Winkler (Westminster Crossing)  Carter Esa (Westminster Crossing)  
 Emily Valora (CO Springs First)

**Voting will be done electronically.**



A photograph showing three hands holding coffee cups. The top cup is a white latte with a heart-shaped latte art. The bottom-left cup is a dark mug with a white foam design. The bottom-right cup is a white latte with a heart-shaped latte art. The background is dark and out of focus.

# 3 Creative Ways to Engage Young Adults in the Church

BY ANDREA SAWTELLE | JUNE 4, 2024

I remember sitting in a new office during my very first week as a young adult pastor and replaying the words that had been spoken to me just days prior: “Young adults aren’t looking for youth group 2.0.” As a veteran youth pastor of almost 20 years who came into the job with a portfolio of games, events, small group strategies, and creative messages, that statement left me wondering, “What exactly *are* young adults looking for?” What I’ve learned over the past few years is that young adults aren’t looking for an amazing program custom-built for them but rather they are searching for spaces where they can discover their identity, purpose, and belonging, all while navigating challenges they are facing daily.

While I’ve not discovered any “one-size-fits-all” model for young adult ministry, I do believe that we can find creative ways to engage the young adults in the context in which we find ourselves ministering. Here are three ways to start.

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## **1. Find Ways to Leverage Stories: “Story House”**

Most of us can look back to a moment in time when we heard a story that had a profound impact on our life. Stories can shape our perspectives, cause us to ask deeper questions, and help form the human connection that we long for. When it comes to engaging young adults, leveraging stories can create an avenue to do this. In our own ministry, we run a young adult gathering called “Story House.” Each month, we transform a space into a living room type setting equipped with a coffee bar and specialty snacks. We invite a story teller into the space—usually someone of an older generation—and ask them to share a story from their life that has to do with identity, belonging, or purpose. After they share, we break into groups and talk through questions that have to do with elements of the story. What we've found is that, not only do we have some incredible conversations, but we also find pieces of ourselves in each other's stories. This fosters spiritual growth among our young adults and develops a deeper sense of community intergenerationally.

## **2. Create a Unique Space to Connect: “Space in Between”**

Young adults often show up in our churches on Sunday mornings but then walk out without ever having a conversation with anyone. They long for community, but they often struggle with where and how to create that. The church can help build bridges between young adults by providing unique and simple spaces to connect. One way that has worked for us is offering our “Space in Between” on Sunday mornings. We open a room off the main lobby that is designated for young adults only. In between services, we offer a coffee bar, bagels, hot waffle buns, and fruit. The goal is to look for young adults coming in and out of our building and invite them into the space to meet other young adults. There is no program, Bible study, or timeframe in which they need to stay. It's simply a VIP room for young adults to meet our young adult leadership and connect with others their age.

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## **3. Keep It Simple: “Connect Dinners”**

Most young adult ministries consist of a range of ages, stages of life, and spiritual journeys. It can feel like a daunting task to create a program, event, or small group where everyone uniquely finds their place. What makes it even more challenging is when the young adults we meet with connect with us as leaders, but aren't necessarily finding community in the church at large. As

leaders, we don't have the capacity to stay closely connected and disciple every person we meet.

Luckily, we don't have to overcomplicate things to find a solution to this. It can be as simple as inviting 6-8 young adults into your home and hosting a "Connect Dinner." Our goal at our connection dinners is to find a few young adults who may have something in common and get them all around the table at the same time. We keep the food simple, several of our young adult ministry team members are present, and we simply facilitate conversation. Those dinners have sparked deeper spiritual friendship that young adults continue to pursue on their own.

Every ministry context is different, but one thing is sure—there are young adults in every community desperate to find purpose, trying to understand who they are, and searching for a place to belong. Let's not settle for youth group 2.0; instead, let's creatively find ways to come alongside.

# UCNYI EVENTS

## UCNYI LC 2024

March 4-5  
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## Q24 QUIZ

June 24-29  
PLNU

## THIRD WAVE 2025

January 7-12  
Florida, USA

## M25 Conference

February 10-12  
Kansas City, MO

## UCNYI LC 2025

March 3-4  
Salt Lake City, UT

## Q25 Quiz

June 23-28  
ONU

## UCNYI LC 2026

March 2-3  
Salt Lake City, UT

## NATIONAL QUIZ 2026

June 29-July 1  
Salt Lake City, UT

## NYC 2026

July 1-5  
Salt Lake City, UT

UCNYI LC 2027 (March)  
General Assembly &  
Conventions 2027 (Summer)

National Quiz 2027 (Summer)

UCNYI LC 2028 (March)

Q28 Quiz (July 3-7)

UCNYI LC 2029 (March)

NYC 2029 (Summer)

National Quiz 2029 (Summer)

UCNYI LC 2030 (March)

Q30 Quiz (Summer)

UCNYI LC 2031 (March)  
General Assembly &  
Conventions 2031 (Summer)

UCNYI LC 2032 (March)

Q32 Quiz (Summer)

UCNYI LC 2033 (March)

NYC 2033 (Summer)

National Quiz 2033 (Summer)



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July 14 - 18, 2025

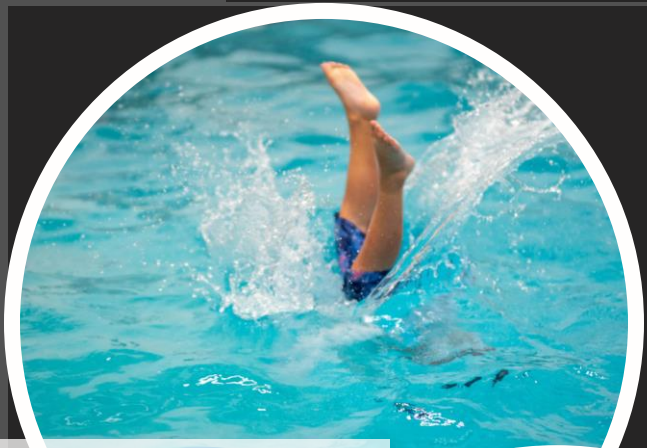
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Grades K - 1st  
July 23 - 25, 2025

Adventure Camp  
Grades 5th - 8th  
June 30 - July 4, 2025

Pathfinders  
Grades 2nd - 3rd  
July 21 - 25, 2025

Velocity Camp  
Grades 7th - 12th  
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