



# **“RITE OF PASSAGE”**

## **A Fathers Blessing - Raising Men of Honor**

**This will be a Three-year trek to help men and boys become the Men of God that they were designed to be.**

**Year 1 - Becoming a Man of God**

### **Instructor - Pastor Eric Diehl**

**“You have what it takes to complete your Crucible”**

With each passing day, more and more young people are walking away from faith. So far, in America, two generations have been seduced by this world and its unhealthy “Rites of Passage.” If another generation is lost, it will have a dramatic impact on the moral climate of both the church and our nation. We can help preserve this generation by lovingly directing our boys towards Godly Rites of Passage and ultimately Godly Manhood.

Your outpost can sleep inside or outside. Meals are included and will be provided indoors. Activities will be outside, so come prepared. You will need everything on the list, both the personal items and the items listed as “team” items, if you want to master your crucible.

Where - Heartland beginning at 7:30 sharp on February 21st. You will need to be ready to begin your quest at that time so come early and get settled into your quarters. Registration will open at 4:00. Plan to head back home late afternoon on Saturday.

As always there will be some changes from past Crucibles. All participants will receive a patch and a commemorative coin. \*\*\* **This camp is no longer a part of the Leadership Training Academy and will not count toward your saber.**

**Where:** Heartland Conference Retreat Center (check in at Hickory Lodge beginning at 4:00. You must be settled in by the 7:30 starting time)

**When:** February 27th & 28th, 2026

**Cost:** \$80.00 by January 31<sup>st</sup>. \$100.00 after January 31<sup>st</sup>.

**If tent camping cost is: \$40.00 by January 31<sup>st</sup>. \$50.00 after January 31<sup>st</sup>.**

**Please make the checks out to Ohio Royal Rangers payable at registration**  
**Send registration forms to Aaron Snyder at 10750 Debolt Road Plain City, Ohio 43064**

**Check with registration prior to setting up your camp.**

**Meals are provided whether you are staying inside or camping outside:**  
**Friday Snack & Saturday Breakfast, NO FRIDAY DINNER.**

**You will be preparing lunch outside.**

**OUTPOST LEADERS:** It is **CRITICAL** that we know how many are coming. Please email your expected number of attendees to Aaron Snyder, [snyder72854@gmail.com](mailto:snyder72854@gmail.com) as soon as possible but no later than January 31<sup>st</sup>. Even if it's just your best guess! This will help us tremendously and allow us to be sure we can accommodate your outpost.



## PERSONAL EQUIPMENT LIST

Long underwear (can wear sweatpants and sweat shirt if long underwear not available)

Long-sleeved shirt (should be loose enough to fit over undergarments)

Long pants (should be loose enough to fit over undergarments)

Sweater (fleece or wool)

Hiking boots or sturdy shoes (gym shoes will not provide comfort and protection in cold weather)

Gym shoes for indoor activities only.

Socks (wool or synthetic)

Warm parka or jacket with hood

Stocking hat (fleece or wool)

Mittens or gloves (fleece or wool) with water-resistant shells

Rain gear

Sleeping garments

Sleeping Bag

Pillow

Toiletries: Soap, Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Comb or Hairbrush, Towel, Washcloth, etc.

Bible (You will definitely need this)

Pen or Pencil

Flashlight

Canteen

Day pack

Dirty clothes bag (waterproof or a trash bag)

Cell phone use will be restricted and PLEASE – No Games

## IMPORTANT: TEAM ITEMS

1. You will need to have everything you require to start at least 1 cooking fire.
2. You should bring a 2-quart cooking pot and 1 gallon water. Please mark your items.
3. You will need to bring something that resembles a mess kit to eat off.
4. You will need to have a compass.

Recommended: Bring 2 extra changes of clothes. One to change into after the outdoor activities and a second change of clothes for the closing ceremony. Cloths for the closing should be utility uniform or what would be worn to Sunday school.

For the closing ceremony: Commanders bring your Class B utility uniform with a bolo.

Dads should bring clothes they would wear to Sunday school.



## Step 1 A Fathers Blessing



### Camp Schedule

#### Friday –

##### *Session One: Alert*

- 4:00 PM Registration Opens
- 7:30 PM Opening Session
  - Explanation and instructions
  - Team selections
- 8:00 PM Instructor – Pastor Eric Diehl
- 8:30 PM Outside Elements
- 9:00 PM Instruct boys to do their assignment
- 9:00 PM Instruction to dads and sponsors
- 10:00 PM Snack (for all attenders)
- 11:00 PM Lights Out

#### Saturday –

##### *Session Two: Obedient*

- 6:30 AM Reveille
- 7:45 AM Breakfast (for all attenders)
- 8:15 AM Announcements / Lunch Instructions
- 8:30 AM Instructor – Pastor Eric Diehl
- 9:00 AM Outside Elements

##### *Session Three: Courageous*

- 12:30 AM Return to Lodge clean up and Change Clothes
- 1:00 PM Instructor – Pastor Eric Diehl
- 1:30 PM Closing Ceremony
- 3:30 PM Head for Home



# OHIO NETWORK ROYAL RANGERS INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION FORM



February 27 & 28, 2026

THE CRUCIBLE – A Fathers Blessing

Location: Heartland Conference Retreat Center

(This entire form MUST be filled out, turned into your senior commander, and then brought with you to the District Royal Ranger event!)

PLEASE PRINT

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_ OUTPOST NO. \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

CHURCH \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ PASTOR \_\_\_\_\_

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## PARENT PERMISSION FORM

I hereby authorize \_\_\_\_\_ to accompany the Royal Rangers to a District Event. I understand the arrangements and feel that adequate precautions for the safety of my child, have been, and will continue to be taken. I will not hold the local church or its leaders, or the District Staff, or the Ohio District Council, Inc. of the Assemblies of God, responsible for any accidents. I understand insurance will be provided by the District and that there will be an emergency First Aid Station on location. Insurance coverage is a secondary coverage. All claims will go through the family's primary provider first then will be sent through HCRC - ODC. I understand and give permission for my Ranger to be included in photos of Crucible activities.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent or Guardian)

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## EMERGENCY MEDICAL INFORMATION AND AUTHORIZATION

This form must be signed by parent or guardian, and accompany the child to the event. The purpose of the form is to make it possible for parents and guardians to authorize the provisions of emergency treatment for MINOR Royal Rangers who may become ill or injured at a District Event. You can authorize such emergency treatment for your child, by completing this form:

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Parent or Guardian) of \_\_\_\_\_ (city) \_\_\_\_\_ (state),  
the \_\_\_\_\_ (Father, Mother, Guardian) of \_\_\_\_\_ (name of child),

a MINOR, WHO IS ATTENDING A ROYAL RANGERS DISTRICT EVENT, DO HEREBY GIVE MY CONSENT, IN THE EVENT THE ADMINISTRATION OF ANY TREATMENT DEEMED NECESSARY BY LICENSED PHYSICIANS, DENTISTS OR EMERGENCY PERSONNEL SERVING THE OHIO DISTRICT COUNCIL OF THE ASSEMBLIES OF GOD AT SAID EVENT.

(SIGNED) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Doctor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Doctor's Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

CHILD'S MEDICAL HISTORY: Good Health? \_\_\_\_\_ Allergies? \_\_\_\_\_ Physical Impairments, (Heart, Epilepsy, etc.)? \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFY ANY MEDICATION THAT MUST BE ADMINISTERED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date last TETANUS shot: \_\_\_\_\_ ANY SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS? (Use other side if necessary and note here to "see other side") \_\_\_\_\_



# OHIO ROYAL RANGERS OUTPOST REGISTRATION FORM A Fathers Blessing 2026



CHURCH NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ OUTPOST # \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ CHURCH PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

PASTOR: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

SR. COMMANDER: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION, AREA: \_\_\_\_\_

ADVENTURE RANGERS	EXPEDITION RANGERS	LEADERS
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____
6. _____	_____	_____
7. _____	_____	_____
8. _____	_____	_____
9. _____	_____	_____
10. _____	_____	_____
11. _____	_____	_____
12. _____	_____	_____

TOTAL ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$75.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$95.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

OUTSIDE CAMPING \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$40.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

OUTSIDE CAMPING \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$50.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL** \_\_\_\_\_

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**STAFF USE ONLY:** Up-To-Date Charter ( ) Yes ( ) No February, 2026



# HEARTLAND

## Driving Directions

### From I-71

Take Exit 140, St. Rt. 61 South.  
Turn right (west) on Co. Rd. 15.  
County Road 15 will go back over I-71.  
Turn right (north) on County Road 218. Turn  
left (west) on County Road 225. The entrance  
to Heartland is on the right.

### From Route 23

Turn east on St. Rt. 229 and continue through  
the town of Ashley. Turn right (south) on Co. Rd.  
24, then left (east) on Co. Rd. 225.\* The  
entrance to Heartland is on the left.

**\*IMPORTANT: BUSES AND RVS CANNOT USE**  
Co. Rd. 24 to Co. Rd. 225 DUE TO LOAD LIMITS.  
For Buses and RVs: Instead of turning right  
(south) on Co. Rd. 24, continue to Co. Rd. 218  
and then turn right (south). You will come to a  
sharp left curve. After the curve, turn right to  
stay on Co. Rd. 218. Go 1 mile and turn right  
(west) on Co. Rd. 225. The entrance to Heartland  
is on the right.

