

**Wesleyan Church of Orchard Park  
Pioneer Club**

August 2021

Dear Parents and Girls,

Welcome to a new year of Pioneer Girls! We are looking forward to another great year of learning about Christ, making crafts, doing service projects, and making friends. It is our goal to fulfill the Pioneer Girls' motto of Christ in every aspect of life. We are planning to return to mostly normal functioning this year and all groups will meet weekly from 7-8:30.

Pioneer Girls is open to all girls in grades K through 12. We encourage girls to tell others and to bring their friends.

There is some important information for you to know as we enter our new year:

- **We will follow the Orchard Park Schools' Covid guidelines. If the schools require masks, we will require masks. We will also maintain 3 feet of distancing in our groups and 6 feet when singing.** We will not be doing temperature checks this year.
- This year, I will again be serving as coordinator. I am excited to be leading the program and I pray that this year sees tremendous growth in all of the girls. Please contact me (662-2304) if you have any questions or concerns about the program.
- Parents are requested to come to the building for pick-up. You may come in to pick up your daughter this year if you wish, but we will again have someone stationed at the door to facilitate pick up. No child, no matter her age, will be released from either the church building or the Christian Education building without an adult. This is for the girls' safety.
- The fee for this year is \$25 per girl, \$40 per family if more than one girl is in our program. Registration again this year includes a Pioneer Girls sweatshirt, to be passed out during the second or third week. Complete registration forms and permission slips must be on file for any girl to participate in our program.
- Groups are capped at 8 girls per leader (for a total of 16 girls per group). This will allow adequate social distancing and supervision of the girls. Registration will be accepted on a first come-first served basis. Each girl **MUST** be in her own age group. Registration into a different age group to be with particular friends will not be allowed. Registrations may be mailed to the church before Opening Night (7295 Ellicott Road; Orchard Park, 14127), or girls may bring them on Opening Night.
- All girls are encouraged to wear their t-shirts or sweatshirts every week to club.
- This year, we are continuing to ask girls to wear their sashes the first Wednesday of every month. The girls work hard to earn their badges and we want to honor that effort. All girls receive a sash when they join the group. If your daughter loses her sash, replacements are available for \$5.

Opening Night is September 15. Again this year, we would like to invite parents to join their daughters for the first portion of the evening to meet the leaders and join us for a few songs.

Thank you for making Pioneer Girls a part of your week and a part of your lives. We look forward to a fun-filled year with you and your daughter.

Sincerely,

Jill Norvilitis

*Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.—Psalm 119:105*



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Dear Parents and Girls:

I'd like to take the opportunity to introduce you to our mission for the year. Every year, we collect shares to support a ministry, alternating between local and global missions. Last year, our mission was a local one: we supported the Family Justice Center, giving \$140 for toys for children served by their programs.

This year, we will support World Vision's Education for Girls program. This is how World Vision describes the program:

Your gift helps change harmful beliefs, helps families pay for their daughter's education, and can support virtual learning during COVID-19. Many girls living in poverty have to work or marry young instead of going to school. Others come from families that think education is just for boys. Today, girls are especially at risk, as families plunge deeper into poverty in the economic fallout from the coronavirus pandemic. When you support a girl's education you are impacting generations — studies show when a woman is educated, both she and her children lead better, healthier lives.

Please bring in your quarters every week to help girls around the world attend school. You can also start now to pray for the kids who will receive this education that they may know the love of Christ and that they may do their best in school.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

In Christ,

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**PERMISSION AND MEDICAL RELEASE FORM**  
**Wesleyan Church of Orchard Park Pioneer Club**  
2021-2022

Girl's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

Town, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Parents'/Guardians' Names \_\_\_\_\_

Girl's e-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Parent's e-mail will be used to notify you about closings and important deadlines.**

Allergies or special conditions \_\_\_\_\_

If there is additional information or there are additional circumstances that may be of benefit for us to know about your child, please attach that to this sheet. All information is kept confidential.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (parent or legal guardian), give my permission to \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ (name of minor) to participate with other youth, leaders, helpers, and chaperones from the **Wesleyan Church of Orchard Park Pioneer Clubs** both on and off the premises at **7295 Ellicott Road, Orchard Park, New York** to be held during the period of **September 15, 2021 until September 14, 2022**. In the unlikely event of an emergency, I give my permission for the above-named child to be treated by an accredited physician in an approved emergency clinic or hospital. I therefore designate officers, leadership, and any adult chaperones for the group with authority to act on my behalf and order appropriate treatment. I further release from liability the Wesleyan Church of Orchard Park, Pioneer Clubs, and its officers, leadership, chaperones, and participants in the event of certain accident or mishap enroute, during, after, and/or returning from activities of the Wesleyan Church of Orchard Park.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent or legal guardian/Date signed/Phone number where you can be reached

\_\_\_\_\_  
Family medical insurance company and policy number for above-named minor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Family physician's name and number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone numbers and contact for emergency purposes

We often take photographs at our group events and occasionally like to share these photographs in church publications, such as the weekly e-newsletter. In addition, we get requests from Pioneer Clubs headquarters for photographs of our group for their newsletters. Please sign below to indicate permission to use your child's photograph in these ways.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature

**The Wesleyan Church of Orchard Park**  
**Pioneer Girls Registration Form**  
2021-2022

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Church \_\_\_\_\_

You Attend \_\_\_\_\_

Hobbies \_\_\_\_\_

\_ What would you like to learn/do in Club this year?

\_\_\_\_\_ Do you have any existing physical restrictions?

\_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please explain

\_\_\_\_\_ In case of

emergency, please contact:

Parents/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Friend or relative \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration fee is \$25 per girl, \$40 per family (if more than one girl is registered). Checks may be made payable to the Wesleyan Church of Orchard Park.**

Please mark desired t-shirt size:

Child size: 6-8 \_\_\_\_\_ 10-12 \_\_\_\_\_ 14-16 \_\_\_\_\_ Adult size: S \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ L \_\_\_\_\_ XL \_\_\_\_\_

**--Please complete both sides--**