

The Project Preteen

July 12-17, 2026



Overview

The Project Preteen, in collaboration with The Project St. Louis, with OneTeam International, is designed specifically for preteens ages 11-12 (should be 11 by Aug 1, 2026.) The Project Preteen will engage preteens in the opportunity to step out and share the gospel with peers and younger children.

All the prep work/logistics of finding locations to do ministry, sleep, and eat are done for you! The main ministry of *The Project Preteen* is Backyard Kids Clubs in neighborhoods, apartment complexes, mobile home complexes and parks. At every level, we want to empower the children ministers involved with the project, so ministry locations can run as the spirit leads each minister individually. We will, of course, have an overall schedule enabling each children's ministry to benefit the maximum amount from the entire process (i.e. corporate worship, preaching of the word, etc.)

Location - Greater St. Louis area

Cost

The cost for The Project Preteen is \$150 per person (student & adult sponsors). This fee includes all meals and snacks during the project, \$10 for a meal on Tuesday evening (please note schedule), meals for children at ministry sites, a t-shirt, accommodations (the floor of a missions center), showers, some ministry needs, and specialized training. Please remember you will be responsible for all travel and expenses to and from The Project Preteen, including your transportation on the field.

In order to help offset the costs for children's ministers who would like to include their families, we do not charge for the children minister's (or main group leader) spouse and children 11 years of age and under. However, we ask that you include these individuals on your rosters, so we can plan for food, lodging, and t-shirt quantities.

Ratios, Meals and Accommodations

Ratio: Leader to Preteen ratio should be 1 adult leader for every 5 preteens.

Accommodations: Church groups will be staying at a church in St Louis, location TBD, with dedicated space specifically for preteen teams with boys and girls appropriately separated. Boys will not be allowed in the girls section and vice versa.

Preteens will be required to always move in the buildings in groups of three and will never be in rooms without an adult leader present.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner will be served at the host church with participants from The Project St Louis (students). Lunch will be at ministry sites after children from the ministry site are served.

If your church is able, please send one kitchen helper for every twelve youth/adults in your group. Again, these helpers come at no cost. Their sole responsibility during the week is to serve as kitchen help.

Deadlines

Intent Form: April 1, 2026

Reach out to us to let us know that you are interested in bringing a group! We will contact you and establish a coaching plan to help you prepare.

[Interest Form](#)

If you know you are coming and would like to register your group, use this form:

[Registration Form](#)

Deposit: \$25 per participant by May 1, 2026

Along with your May 1 deposit, please send your rosters, medical release forms and prayer coordinator forms. Forms can be found online at <https://www.oneteam.one/forms>. Final rosters are due by June 15th.

Please make all checks payable to One Team International. Mail deposits to:

P.O. Box 177

Fenton, MO 63026

Balance Due: July 12, 2026 - brought with you to the Project Preteen