



## **Breakaway 101 Leader Edition**

**Our mission at Breakaway Conference is to create a fun and stimulating environment for students to separate from daily routines and be exposed to the gospel of Christ.**

Breakaway has been a family run operation for over thirty years. Our vision has always been to see students encounter Jesus Christ in a way that alters not only their high school careers, but the rest of their lives as well. We love to see students return year after year and take part in the Breakaway family.

**Here are just a few key components to what make up Breakaway.**

### **1. Music and Teaching** – creating a culture of cross-dwellers.

**a.** Worship through music is one of our returning students' favorite things about Breakaway. We begin each morning in corporate worship, reveling in the precious time to focus on the God who gathered us together. Before our evening session, we do the same, setting our hearts open before the Lord as we gather to hear from Him.

**b.** Teaching at Breakaway is orchestrated to give the students optimum time for both learning and building relationships. The morning session is designed to spark conversations between students and their peers and leaders. There are a variety of workshops in which for them to engage. The topics range from depression to dating to popular culture to tough questions. The purpose of evening sessions is to equip the students with Bible teaching and engage their hearts in a love for the Lord. Whether we are studying a theme or a specific book or story, the teaching is always engaging, relevant, and transformative.

### **2. Recreation and Service Project** – building relationships through encouragement and sportsmanship.

**a.** Sports and competitions have been a staple at Breakaway for years. Tuesday through Thursday afternoons are full of sporting events out on the beach – ultimate Frisbee, soccer, flag football, volleyball, 100 yard dash, egg toss (the height of athleticism, ladies and gentlemen) – and on the blacktop – basketball, dodgeball, and weight lifting. We also have an early morning 5k, scavenger hunt, trivia, pie eating, coke chugging, popsicle slugging, and, best yet, spam eating contest, sandcastle building, poop deck (if you are confused or disgusted by this, you have not yet truly lived),



talent show, and art and photo contest. No one is forced to participate in these activities but they are, of course, highly encouraged to enjoy the fullness of Breakaway.

**b.** The service project is an aspect of Breakaway that was added a few years ago and has been a reoccurring request from students ever since. The opportunity to put feet to their faith strengthens their hearts and nurtures the community where Breakaway happens. The service project happens Tuesday through Thursday mornings on campus and varies each year based on the area's needs.