

BAYLOR STUDENT LIFE SPOTLIGHT

Hello Colleagues,

We are less than a month away from Move2BU and exactly one month away from the start of classes. A lot has happened this summer. For some offices summer is a slower season, but for other offices they have been in high gear. This week we want to highlight some of the good work, excitement, and campus buzz that has occurred this summer and that our colleagues have orchestrated.

CAMPS, CAMPS, AND MORE CAMPS

Although most of our students move out of the residence halls in May, that does not mean those rooms stay vacant over the summer. In a return to our first full summer of camps since 2019, by summer's end Campus Living & Learning will have hosted **40 individual camps representing 18 different organizations**. There were 5 different music camps, 12 athletic camps, and 11 Line Camps, along with a miscellaneous group of individual camps. Many of those camps are youth camps (you likely saw assorted crowds of youth traversing campus, often wearing matching t-shirts) but we also had a sprinkling of adult camps, and even two cohorts from the Masters of Leadership program. All totaled, **CL&L housed approximately 5900 campers this summer (well done!)**. In between all of these camps, they have also closed down Collins (for the renovations), performed building maintenance and improvements, and are preparing the residence halls for our BU26 incoming class.

In addition to overnight camps, this summer Campus Recreation also launched the new **Baylor REC Camps**. Over the course of eight week-long sessions, kids ages six to twelve got to participate in an array of sports, indoor and outdoor recreation, select water activities, team building, skits, and more. The camps specifically placed an emphasis on character development taught using Biblical principles. All told, there were **555 total registrations across the 8 weeks**. Ask the parent of any kid that attended (and there are many parents in the Division whose kids participated) and you'll hear how fun camp was. Of the 555 participants, there were **256 unique campers who attended, including many who came for multiple sessions, and some that even came back all summer!** Campus Rec also hosted Baylor's long running **Christian Leadership Institute**, a four-day leadership development camp for rising high school seniors. This summer 93 high school students participated and got the Baylor experience living on-campus.

Lastly, NSP of course hosted our signature Line Camps this summer for incoming first-year students. We checked in on Orientation and Line Camp in a Spotlight earlier this summer (see below for a link to past Spotlights), but we wanted to follow up with an update on the strong participation numbers NSP saw this summer. **Overall, 3,058 students attended orientation across 12 sessions and 2,532 students attended our 11 Line Camps**. We currently have 3,375 deposited first-years (not a final number yet). **With the 2,915 first-year students that attended Orientation (plus 143 transfers) that currently puts us at 86.4% first-year participation. We had 2,455 first-year students attend Line Camp (plus 77 transfers) and that puts us presently at 72.7% first-year participation.** These are strong participation numbers and we are excited to launch these students into their Baylor journeys.

MOMENTS

For our Spotlight Moment this week we want to give you a little taste of Line Camp and specifically the signature trip to Independence, TX. During the trip, students visit the original site of our University, learn more about our history and the Baylor Line they are joining, and get the opportunity to put on their Line Jerseys for the first time and walk through the columns at Independence. Sic 'Em BU26!



The BU26 Independence, TX, Line Camp Experience

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