



A record number of Kids4Peace campers attended Camp Allen this summer!

KIDS4PEACE RETURNS TO CAMP ALLEN

Kids4Peace makes a lasting impression on the minds of children whose hearts open as they discover what it means to live together in peace. Their website states, "True to their commitment to 'faith in peace', K4P children and staff demonstrate great courage in the midst of conflict – refusing to be enemies, choosing to be friends."

This summer, the "Second-Year" camp session was held at Camp Allen for rising seventh graders, aged 12-13 years. The goals for this continuation program included fostering self-confidence and trust with a focus on integrity, honesty and respect for others. These goals were achieved through an interfaith curriculum taught by Jewish, Christian and Muslim clergy and qualified staff trained in dialogue facilitation and conflict transformation at Camp Allen, and a community service program hosted in Houston.

Kids4Peace campers were all young teens that had participated in the first year peace camp program. There were 24 campers selected from Israel and the West Bank along with 24 American campers selected through an application process. Preference was given to local children from underserved communities and families.

Camp Allen compliments the peace camp's curriculum with other activities that supplement its goals. These include high and low-ropes challenge courses, zip lines, field games, horseback riding, arts and craft, swimming, and evening camp fires. The peace camp concluded in Houston where the campers visited services at a mosque, synagogue and church. The campers also participated in community service work at both The Beacon, a service provider to the poor and homeless in Houston, and Project Row Houses, an organization focused on transforming community through art and culture.



Kids4Peace campers enjoy Camp Allen's new hit activity- PADDLE BOARDING!