

VBS 2020 STUDENT VBS EXTRAS CONFERENCE PLAN

Purpose Statement

This one-hour plan is designed to equip and train Student VBS leaders to implement and adapt the missions, crafts, snacks and recreation rotations in LifeWay's *Concrete & Cranes*™ Student VBS for middle and high school students.

Needed Resources

- *VBS 2020 Student Starter Kit*
- DVD-ROM items — Print all DVD-ROM items. Place in a binder and put on the display table.
- Make 6 copies of page 14 of the *VBS 2020 Student Leader Guide* (digital version on DVD-ROM) and place in plastic sleeves. Place on craft table.
- 5 sets of *VBS 2020 Snack Rotation Recipe Cards* (005816469) — Use for small group review.
- *VBS 2020 Tablecloths*
- Item 1: “Student VBS Rotations at a Glance” — Print 1 per conferee on yellow or orange copy paper. Place in each chair before conferees arrive.
- Item 2: “Student VBS Supply List” — Print 1 per conferee on white copy paper.
- Prepare a sample craft for each session per the directions on pages 14, 22, 30, 38, 46 of the Student Leader Guide.
- Craft table — Set up at the back of the room. Cover with a *VBS 2020 Tablecloth* and place supplies on table for easy access.
- Supplies for the Session 1 Craft, “Nuts & Bolts Keychain” (1 per conferee):
 - 1 eye bolt per person
 - 2-3 nuts per person
 - 1 cap nut per person
 - 1 split ring per person
 - Permanent markers
- Supplies for Session 2, “Make the Mark”:
 - 2 hula hoops per team
 - Sets of different colored bean bags (2 sets per team)
- Supplies for Session 4, “I-Beam Tag”:
 - Several pool noodles
 - Clear, open playing area
- Projector or TV (to use with laptop) for missions video
- Bluetooth speaker

Room Setup

Arrange chairs in a semi-circle allowing room to play “Make the Mark” and “I-Beam Tag” recreation games. Create the effect of being in a contractor’s trailer by setting five-gallon work buckets around the room. Use the buckets to store supplies needed for each day of VBS. Roll up large sheets of blue paper to emulate blueprints to set around room. Cover a table with a *VBS 2020 Tablecloth* and display the curriculum and craft samples. Cover an additional table at the back of the room to use during Craft activity.

Teaching Steps

1. **Recreation** (15 minutes)
 - Play theme song or one of the upbeat worship songs from the Student DVD.

- As conferees enter the room, invite each to put down their personal belongings and join you in playing, “Make the Mark.” Continue taking turns tossing the bean bags for the first five minutes of the session.
 - Welcome conferees to the VBS 2020 Student VBS Extras Conference and ask everyone to have a seat then take a look at the Item 1: Student VBS Rotations at a Glance
 - Share the location of the Student VBS Rotations in the Student VBS Leader Guide. Remind conferees copies of the Student Leader can be printed from the DVD for Student helpers leading Missions, Crafts or Recreation,
 - Explain you will be showcasing several of the Student Rotation Options so everyone will have a better understanding of the Rotation choices and how each can reinforce the Biblical content for the session.
 - Encourage leaders to jot notes on Item 1: “Student VBS Rotations at a Glance” handout.
 - Play the Session 4, “I-Beam Tag” next.
2. **Crafts** (20 minutes)
- Show each of the Student VBS craft samples. Provide tips as you describe each.
 - Ask, “Why is it important to provide crafts and other rotation activities for students in your churches?”
 - Allows time to establish relationships with students.
 - Permits time for unchurched students to get to know Christian leaders and other students in the ministry.
 - Provides an opportunity to minister as you hear or see a need.
 - Direct conferees to gather around the craft table to make the Session 1, Nuts & Bolts Keychain.
 - Remind leaders of the other sources for alternative craft ideas—Adult VBS Crafts and VBX Crafts.
3. **Missions** (10 minutes)
- Show the Session 1 DVD segment, “Open Heart.”
 - Point out that just as Matthew was called to give up his job and follow Jesus, Larry felt that same calling. He gave up his dream job to become a missionary first in Uganda and now in Tanzania.
 - Ask students to recall how Larry identified himself (by his job as a flight surgeon for NASA). Lead students to share things that people often use to identify themselves (job, athlete, musician, etc.).
 - Point out that as Matthew, from today's Bible study, and Larry learned the most important way we can identify ourselves as followers of Christ.
 - Say: "Larry used his skills as a doctor to open doors to remote villages to tell the people there about Jesus' love for them."
 - Share the VBS 2020 Mission Project idea from the *VBS 2020 Children's Mission Rotation*.
 - The mission project is called "Project Hands On." Kids will collect gloves and hand sanitizer to send to missionaries like Jorge Santiago who is helping people in Puerto Rico rebuild their homes, churches, and lives after the hurricane.
 - Student groups could also choose to donate collected items to local missions or service agencies. Examples: Work gloves for local

construction or disaster relief ministries, food service gloves for food pantries or disaster relief, rubber gloves for mud-out or clean up teams, exam gloves for medical missions or dental clinics, and hand sanitizer to include in hygiene kits or back-to-school backpack distribution projects.

- Money can also be donated through sendrelief.org/puertorico.

4. **Snacks** (10 minutes)

- Divide large group into five smaller groups. Give each group a set of the *VBS 2020 Snack Recipe Cards*. Ask small groups to review the cards and find three options for Student VBS and record the ideas on their Item 1 handout under snacks.
- Allow a brief time for groups to share ideas.
- Highlight the following student-friendly snacks if not mentioned by the small groups:
 - Students would have fun building Garden Dirt Cups, Truck Haulers, or Concrete Mixers.
 - Manhole Covers or I-Beams are savory options for Students.
 - Snack Mixes like Construction Zone Crunch, Build Your Own Trail Mix or Nuts & Bolts Snack Mix can be made ahead and served over several days.
 - Dinner Options are great for an evening Student VBS.

5. **Tailoring VBS 2020 Student VBS Rotations for Your Church and Schedule** (5 minutes)

- Ask conferees to turn to a shoulder partner and share how they plan on tailoring the Student Rotations for their church and Student VBS Schedule.
 - 3-hour Student VBS allows for all rotations.
 - 2-hour Student VBS-Serve snacks as students arrive and alternate between recreation, missions and crafts on a daily basis
- Distribute Item 2: "Student VBS Supply List" to illustrate the ease of preparing for Student VBS Rotations in advance. Remind leaders of the value of using Student VBS Rotations to continue building relationships with students in the church and the community and building on the foundation of the Biblical content as the Holy Spirit leads.
- Close the session with a prayer thanking God for the opportunity to minister to students during VBS!



	Missions (30 minutes) <i>Located in Student VBS Leader Guide immediately following each session.</i>	Recreation (15 minutes) <i>Located in Student VBS Leader Guide immediately following each session.</i>	Crafts (30 minutes) <i>Located in Student VBS Leader Guide immediately following Missions & Recreation.</i>	Snacks (15 minutes) <i>Ideas located in VBS 2020 Snack Rotation Recipe Cards.</i>
Session 1	Students will discover how Larry Pepper uses his career to minister to people in remote villages in Africa.	Boulder Dash	Nuts & Bolts Key Chain	Snack Ideas for Students
Session 2	Students will learn about how Shelton & Brandy Johnson are pursuing their call to be missionaries.	Make the Mark	Washer Game	
Session 3	Students will learn about how Nik & Ruth Ripkin discovered God's love in Somalia.	Fish Bowl	Nuts & Bolts Caddy	
Session 4	Students will hear how Amanda came to understand how much God loves her.	I-beam Tag	Barricade Tablet Holder	
Session 5	Students will hear Olek's story and how he continued to grow in his faith after tragedy struck his life.	Construct It	Shrink Art Tag	
Notes:				

STUDENT VBS SUPPLY LIST

Every Day

- Bibles
- Pens
- Masking Tape
- Markers

SESSION 1 WORSHIP

- Concrete block
- Paint

MOTIVATE

- 8-bowls
- Bags of large marshmallows
- Bags of small marshmallows
- 4-boxes of uncooked spaghetti
- Time or stopwatch
- Small prize for winning team

EXAMINE

- Tear sheets

APPLY

- Plastic or wooden blocks
- Permanent markers
- 3-sheets of construction paper

MISSIONS

- Sticky notes

RECREATION

- Small plastic balls (1 per student)
- 2 buckets
- 2 hula hoops

CRAFTS

- Eye bolts (1 per student)
- Nuts (2-3 per student)
- Cap nuts (1 per student)
- Split rings (1 per student)
- Permanent markers

SESSION 2

WORSHIP

- Concrete block
- Paint
- Index cards
- Poster board
- White sheet

- Washable markers

APPLY

- Large sheet of paper
- Glue sticks
- Construction paper (Different colors—1 per student)

MISSIONS

- Tear sheets

RECREATION

- Hula Hoops (2 per team)
- Sets of different colored bean bags (2 sets per team)

CRAFTS

- 3 ½ x 5-inch plastic lid (1 per student)
- 1 x 1 ½ inch plastic lid (1 per student)
- 10 small washers per student
- 1 Ziplock bag per student
- Tacky glue
- Permanent markers

SESSION 3

WORSHIP

- Concrete block
- Paint
- 5-index cards
- 5-items purchased at grocery store

MOTIVATE

- 2 pencils
- Empty plastic water bottles

- Paper clips

- Paper plates

- 2 clothes pins

- sheets of construction paper

- 4 craft sticks

- 3 permanent markers

EXAMINE

- Copy paper
- Poster board

APPLY

- \$20, \$10, or \$5 bill

- Copy paper

MISSIONS

- 150 sticky notes

RECREATION

- Fish bowl

- Strips of paper

CRAFTS

- Paint sticks (1 per student)
- Small containers with lids (3 per student)
- Small nuts & bolts
- 1-inch grosgrain ribbon (12 inches per student)
- Permanent markers
- Drill

SESSION 4

WORSHIP

- Concrete block
- Paint
- 10 "old" items
- 10 "new" items

- 2 large boxes

- 4 blindfolds

MOTIVATE

- Index cards

EXAMINE

- Tool, hard hat, or some type of construction item

- Paper

- Pennies (1 per student)

- Doughnuts (1 per student)

APPLY

- Sticky notes (2 per student)

- Wide Rubber bands (1 per student)

- Fine-tip permanent markers

RECREATION

- Pool Noodles

CRAFTS

- 1-by-8-inch craft sticks (8 per student)

- White spray paint

- Orange masking tape

- ½ inch square wooden beads (4 per student)

- Glue

- Mod Podge®

SESSION 5

WORSHIP

- Concrete block

- Paint

- ½ sheet of paper per student

MOTIVATE

- Tear sheets

EXAMINE

- 2 clear baking dishes

- Large flat stone

- Pitcher of water

- Long sheet of black paper

- Chalk

- Long sheet of white paper

- Sand

- 2 plastic cups

- White Poster board

- Sheets of paper

APPLY

- Small smooth stones (1 per student)

- Pool noodle

MISSIONS

- Tear sheets

- Index cards

RECREATION

- Identical sets of plastic building blocks (1 set per team plus one extra set to make the sample)

CRAFTS

- Shrink plastic

- Toaster oven

- Parchment paper

- Permanent markers

- Scissors

- Hole punch

- Small wire split rings (1 per student)