

IDEAS FOR A WORLD-CLASS POWWOW

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Feedback was requested from district directors about the format and features of their district camps. We received 42 responses providing the following data:

1. 71% of respondents call their district camp “Powwow”. “Ranger Camp” and similar names were also popular
2. 37% of camps had attendance between 100-200; another 37% had 200-400 attendees
3. 40% charge between \$50-100, while 38% charge between \$31-50
4. 26 camps were held in the summer, 11 in the spring and 5 in fall
5. 10 districts provided all meals, 12 provided some meals and 20 didn’t provide a meal option
6. Popular registration items included patches (35x), shirts (25x), camper wristbands (18x) and hats (12x)
7. 40 of 42 districts change themes on an annual basis
8. 31 districts invite non-Royal Rangers groups to come while 11 do not
9. Key components:
 - a. 40 districts incorporate morning assemblies and FCF Villages
 - b. 26 inspect campsites
 - c. 21 have entryway contests
 - d. 12 have day-time Ranger Kids activities
 - e. 9 hold a uniform inspection

Ideas to consider as potential improvements to district camps:

1. Father/Son experiences
2. Include non-RR groups
3. Broaden activity choices to include sports, technology, music/arts, outdoors and trades
4. Offer day-only options
5. Look for creative ways to engage pastoral leadership from a local and district level

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