



## Who We Are

Illuminate is the youth ministry here at Seminole Baptist Church and our purpose is based on Philippians 2:14-15 which says,

*“Do everything without grumbling and arguing, so that you may be blameless and pure, children of God who are faultless in a crooked and perverted generation, among whom you shine like stars in the world.”*

The word “illuminate” means: to supply or brighten with light; light up! That's exactly what we encourage our students to do...shine God's light and love into our dark and broken generation!

## About our Students

Illuminate is for students in Middle and High School (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade). We are a growing youth ministry, and we have seen God do some amazing things in the lives of our students over the last few years!

## What we Study

We as a youth group take time to work through books of the Bible in their entirety, taking time to see how God's Word relates to our students on a personal level.

## When We Meet

Illuminate meets Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:45am and Wednesday evenings from 6-7:15pm. Come and join us for a time of games and study in God's Word. In addition, be on the lookout for various events throughout the year.

## Events

Illuminate events are at least once a month and one larger event every quarter including things like bonfires, cookouts, lock-ins, bowling, ultimate frisbee, water games, etc. We understand that life can be busy, so we try to update parents with a monthly email of upcoming events to help with scheduling purposes. The youth ministry consent and release form (located online) is valid for 1 year and can be used for all youth ministry events. Summer Camp usually takes place in late June to early July and costs around \$340 with \$50 of that being due in late January as a deposit. More information on camp and fundraisers will be sent out separately as the time approaches.

## About our Team



**Aaron Farmer:** Aaron Serves as the Minister of Students and Missions at Seminole Baptist Church and is the primary teacher for Illuminate. *“My goal is to encourage and equip my students, as disciples of Christ, to take on the culture as salt and light.”*

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**Ellie Farmer:** Ellie has worked in student and children ministries around Florida for many years and is an important part of the Illuminate team. *“I desire to work closely with the students, particularly younger women to show them what it looks like to live a biblical lifestyle as a woman in today’s culture.”*

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**John Paul Linton:** John Paul serves as the Minister of Music and Families at Seminole Baptist Church and serves as a leader and teacher in Illuminate. *“My desire is to encourage students as they grow in their relationship with Christ, learn more about God’s word, and serve others around them.”*

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**Sara Linton:** Sara has worked in youth ministry for many years and is an important part of our illuminate team. *“Through discipleship, I strive to help students make their relationship with Christ their own and live out what they learn through God’s word.”*

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## Bibles

Each of your students will need a physical copy of God’s Word on Sundays and Wednesdays. At Illuminate, we read from the CSB version, and it is helpful to have bibles of the same version as we read through it together. The CSB is easy to understand and stays true to the original languages. However, if your student already has a bible that they love to use, that’s okay too! If your student needs a Bible, we will be more than happy to purchase one up to \$30, just see a leader for more information.

## On the Web

Find the Illuminate page on the Seminole Baptist website at [the365church.com/ministries.html](http://the365church.com/ministries.html), and join us on Facebook at [facebook.com/groups/illuminatesbc](https://facebook.com/groups/illuminatesbc).

