

Double Dog Dare-A-Thon FAQs

General Questions:

1. What is Double Dog Dare-A-Thon (DDD)?

- DDD is an event designed to culminate in an “invest and invite” challenge to students.
- DDD begins two weeks before the actual event with an “invest and invite” series.
For example, if your DDD were on Saturday, April 28, you’d do the “Saved you a seat” message series on April 8 and April 15.
- You’ll encourage and challenge each student to invite one friend (or group of friends) to spend the night at his/her house the night before your event.
- With instructions from you, students and their friends will log in to our DDD website and enter their teams. They’ll participate in fun dares for a chance to win some awesome prizes!
- You’ll host your students and their friends at church the next day (e.g., Sunday, April 29) to reveal the winners.
- We’ll provide you with all the content you’ll need, including:
 - A video to help you think through how you’ll host your guests and reveal the winners.
 - Social media assets and an editorial calendar to manage your DDD campaign.
 - *Saved you a seat* (“invest and invite” series):
 - Bumper
 - Slides
 - Speaker Notes for the three weeks leading up to and the day of the event
 - Small Group Discussion Guides

2. Do students need to register ahead of time for this event?

No. They’ll enter their teams on the day of the event.

3. Is there a certain time that we have to do this event?

You gave us this information in the interest form

4. What happens once I register?

You’ll receive a username and password approximately seven days before the event. You’ll then be able to log in, set up your event, and download all of your assets.

5. What about parents that have questions?

We are not providing support for this event. So all questions will be directed to you. Louie will also be a resource if needed.

6. What kinds of things will be on the shopping list?

Last year, for example, teams needed a roll of aluminum foil and a dry erase marker to complete the dares.

Questions About Admin Dashboard:

7. What will be on the admin dashboard?

- Once you log in, you'll see how to set up your church. You'll need to choose your dare day and time as well as your DDD service day and time (this is when your students will come to church to find out the winners). Don't worry if you have only one service time; make sure to add it. You'll be prompted with the correct format to use. You'll also need to set your time zone so we can make sure the countdown is correct for your students' Dare page.
- You'll want to confirm when your event starts. This will be when your students actually begin participating in the dares and upload photos.
- Click on "Update," and you should be all set!

8. What if I need to change the dates or times of my DDD event?

- Once you have your admin login, you can go into your church's dashboard and check the other information we have for your church, including service times and time zone.
- Log in with your email and password, and you'll see all the information you can edit. Make sure to click on "Update." You should see this information reflected on your dashboard page: <http://doubledogdareathon.org/admin>.

9. I am logged into the DDD admin dashboard and can't see any photos or teams. I know teams have already uploaded photos. Is there any way you can help?

Wait. They will appear. Sometimes, it takes time for the photos and teams to show up on your dashboard. Try logging out and back in.

10. When and how can I see the pictures my students upload to the site?

When you're logged in to your Dashboard, click "Sunday 9:00 AM Dares" under the Dares block. From there, you'll see a list of each of the dares, along with their videos. Click "View Dare Pics" underneath the dare you want to see. The next page will show you all of the pictures that your students have submitted for that dare. You can select your winners from there.

11. How do I choose the winning photo?

"Star" all of the dare photos you like in a specific category. They will show up automatically in the "Winners Circle." Then you can export those photos and pick your #1!

Questions About the Dares:

12. When will students see the dares?

They won't see the dares until the day of the event.

13. How are the dares presented?

A DDD video host will give a 10–30-second blurb about the dare and will then explain the dare to the students.

14. How do you get to the next dare?

Once you submit Dare #1, the site automatically kicks the team to the next dare.

15. How many dares are there?

There are typically seven dares.

16. What are some examples of past dares?

- **Best dry erase facial hair**
- **Best aluminum foil robot**
- **Most stuffed animals in a selfie**
- **Craziest hairdo using things around the house**
- **Most awkward family photo**
- **Most spoons between toes**
- **Most epic pillow fort**

17. Typically, how much time does it take students to complete the dares?

It ranges from 20 minutes to two hours.

18. Is this a race?

No.

19. How will my students gain access to the dares?

- **Your students will go to your church's specific dare page, which you can find on your dashboard. Please provide the page information somewhere on your website or on your list of instructions.**
- **Students can also get to this page by going to doubledogdareathon.org. They'll need to choose your church from a dropdown menu. Note that your personal church link provides an easier way for them to get to the correct page to start the dares.**
- **When we get a little closer to the event, there will be a countdown on that page. When the countdown finishes, students will be able to enter their team. They will add their team photos, names, and number of participants. They can then start going through the dares.**

20. What do I do during the time students are completing the dares?

- **Once they start adding photo entries, you'll see them show up on**

your admin dashboard: <http://doubledogdareathon.org/admin/dashboard>.

- By starring the photos, you can begin choosing the top entries from each dare and move toward selecting the winner.
- You'll be able to click on and see photos by dares and team photos by teams. When you choose the winners, you can export them; they'll show up in that export category. I promise this will make more sense when you see how it works in person!

Questions About Prizes and Guests:

21. What kind of prizes should I get?

- This is the fun part! You know your budget and your students best. What's cool and exciting to them?
- We suggest at least one large prize, like a gift certificate for an entire small group to go play laser tag together, an iPad, a GoPro, a season pass to Six Flags, etc. Whatever is a hot item in teen culture . . .
- We've also used some smaller gifts, like a 5-lb. gummy bear, a selfie stick, or an iTunes gift card.
- You can include a gag gift, like a huge bag of dog food.
- For each service hour, we usually give away one prize per dare. So, if we meet at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m., we have one winner for each dare at each hour.

22. How do you give the prizes out?

We usually use mystery boxes or a prize wheel to determine what the student gets, so there's another element of suspense in the hosting segment. You'll have access to a video with some ideas about how to host this part of the event.

23. Is there anything else I need to think about for the day of the event?

How do you plan to quickly and easily capture your guests' information so you're able to follow up?

24. What information should we capture on the day of the event?

- First decide *how* you want to follow up with your guests.
- You could just capture name, grade, and gender, so you have a list to reference in the future.
- You could ask them if they're on social media, which form of social media they're on, and what their usernames are, so you can follow them from your ministry account.
- You could ask them their names and who they came with so you can follow up with them and coach them in how to follow up with their guests.
- You could send them something in the mail.

Support Questions:

25. What if I have problems navigating the site on the day of the event?

First visit the FAQ resource page. If you don't find your answer there, email us at ddd@northpoint.org.

26. I'm having trouble logging into my account. Can you help me?

Reference the login email that was sent to you. If you can't find it, email us at ddd@northpoint.org.

27. Can a student use a smartphone/iPod/iPad to upload their pictures?

Yes. The site for students is made for smart phones.

28. What if I have a story I'd like to share or a suggestion I'd like to make?

We'd love to hear it! Email us at DDD@northpoint.org.