dcypher 2021



A note to parents/guardians from the DCYPHER team...

Hi, and thanks for encouraging your child to join us for this year's DCYPHER camp! This year's camp boasts late night gaming sessions (& sleeping in!), epic challenges and time out to chat about some of life's issues from a Christian perspective.

With each camper bringing their own computer, there are many potential technical issues. Not only does our leadership team have years of experience working with young people, but they also have much experience in diagnosing and solving computer problems. So we're all in good hands!

Date:	10am on Fri 9th July - 2pm on Mon 12th July We are not able to care for campers that arrive before this time.
Venue:	Blue Lagoon (Bally Park Rd, Dodges Ferry)
Cost:	\$190

Register online at dcypher.org.au

Need to bring

- Computer, screen, power cables (powerboard provided), keyboard & mouse pad, <u>headphones</u>.
- Sleeping bag/doona, sheet, pillow & case, toiletries, towel, changes of clothes & underwear, sturdy shoes. <u>Remember to bring deodorant</u>
- Favourite gaming character costume (to wear at our Sunday night cosplay dinner!)
- Money for canteen

Please don't bring

Drugs, alcohol, tobacco products, more than one monitor/screen, computer speakers, desk lamps, portable games, norton firewalls, waffle iron or any other sort of iron for that matter.

There is also an extensive FAQ section on the DCYPHER website: dcypher.org.au

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Here are a few important details you need to be aware of to ensure DCYPHER runs as smoothly as possible:

- Every reasonable precaution will be taken to protect each computer at the camp (including the housing of computers in a secured building) but there is always the risk that something might happen that is beyond our control and you should be aware that hardware and software are brought to the camp at the owner's risk.
- On a similar theme, there is an absolute need for each computer to have all essential files backed up before coming to DCYPHER.
- The DCYPHER team want to make camp the best experience possible for the campers, and working computers are essential for participation in the gaming parts of the camp. Computer games (and gamers) place a high strain on all aspects of a computer and achieving the best performance and reliability may require some adjustments to the system. As such, it is essential that the technical staff are permitted to make any necessary changes to a computer's configuration (hardware and software) if problems arise.
- In most cases, we will need to install some software on each computer including games, antivirus software (as necessary) and other programs as may be needed for the running of the event.
- The main games we will be playing at DCYPHER are free and will be distributed at the camp. Any other games that are brought to camp will need to be fully licensed versions. We wanted to bring to your attention the selection of games that will be played at DCYPHER. The DCYPHER team have gone to great lengths to find and select the games that will be used, taking many things into consideration including screening for appropriate content. **The final list of games does include some with a MA15+ rating.** The reason for this rating is that these games contain violence and gore (blood). The depiction of blood in these games can sometimes be reduced or removed entirely via a game setting, and this will be done where possible for each game the team installs at the camp if required.
- If you have Steam installed on your computer, make sure it's fully updated and put it in offline mode before you turn your computer off to come to camp.