

ALLEY Winter Palooza-January 5th-6th, 2019

CG: Dude Perfect Winter Videos (Pre-Show)

CG: 3 Minute Countdown Video

CONNECT TIME: Build a Snowman Race

Supplies Needed: Toilet Paper, Glasses, Hats, Red Streamer Paper

What to Say: “What’s up Alley! Welcome to Winter Palooza! We have some epic games and prizes planned for you, but before we get started, how many of you are ready for an incredible 2019? Great! Well, my name is (your name), and I can’t wait to kick off 2019 with some fun and excitement; Winter Palooza style! The first thing we are going to do is build a snowman using toilet paper. I promise it’s not as gross as it sounds. Who wants to play? Awesome! Here’s how to play...”

How to Play: Select 2 Adults Leaders (preferably 1 male and 1 female, or 4th grade leader vs. 5th grade leader), and select 4 students for each team/leader. Students will work against the clock to be the first team to fully “decorate” their snowman/leader, by wrapping their leaders in toilet paper, placing the glasses and hat on them, and finishing the snowman off with a red streamer scarf.

CG: 90-Second Countdown Video

After the Game...

“Many of you know that it is a New Year. And when a new year rolls around, a lot of people have these things called “New Year’s Resolutions”. They’re basically like goals that people hope to accomplish in the new year. Some people want to lose weight, eat healthier, stop doing something bad, get a new job, write a book, get married, watch less TV, etc. Most of the time though, these goals last for about...well...a week or less. While it’s not a bad thing to set goals, sometimes it can be hard to not give up on them. When times get hard, a lot of times we just want to give up. Luckily, we have Jesus, our family, and our friends who can help us to not give up. That’s what this video is all about. Let’s watch!”

CG: This Year Will Be Different Video (Runtime: 3:00)

No matter what your New Year’s goals are, just remember that you have a friend in Jesus, and you can do all things by His power and strength. Now, before we dismiss to all the games and prizes of Winter Palooza, let’s take a minute to pray.

PRAY: “Jesus, thank You for new beginnings. Thank You for a New Year. I pray that we would all have the best 2019 possible. Thank You Jesus that we can do all things with You. Amen.”

(DISMISS TO ACTIVITIES)

Variation: For larger services, split your group up into 4 even groups

ACTIVITIES:

Fun Stuff: (These can be passed out anytime)

LED Finger Lights

Snowflake 3D Glasses

Stations:

Designate a place for kids to fill out an entry form to win a Gift Card.

Need: Bucket, Forms, Pens

1. Slime Station

Supplies: Glue, baking soda, contact solution, glitter, cups, popsicle sticks, small plastic bags, permanent markers

What to Do: (Recipe)

Fill cup/bowl with glue (1/4 cup)

Add glitter (optional)

Thoroughly mix in 1/2 tsp of baking soda

Add 1 tsp of contact solution

Mix all together - slime will form almost immediately.

If needed, you can add a little more saline solution.

Write name on plastic bag, child can use that to store their slime.

2. Hot Chocolate Straw Game

Supply: Cups, Mini-Marshmallows, Paper Straws, Igloo of Hot Chocolate

What to Do: Lay out a handful of mini-marshmallows per student, give them an empty cup and a paper straw. The object of the game is for them to “suck up” the mini-marshmallows using their straws, and transfer them into their cups. First student to do so is the winner. Each student, can add Hot Chocolate to their cups after the game.

3. Penguin Race

Supply: Balloons (1 per student, per service), Gator Skin Balls

What to Do: Allow the students to blow up and tie off their balloons. They will place them in between their knees and “walk like a penguin” from one end of your space to another. Play as many rounds as time and interest allows.

Variation: Use a Gator Skin Ball.

4. Saran Wrap Surprise Snowball

Supply: Saran Wrap Snowballs with prizes inside (1-2 per service), Dice

What to Do: Children will pass around a saran wrapped ball. Roll the dice to see who starts with the ball first. (ie: First kid to roll a six) The first kid with the ball starts unwrapping while the kid on their right rolls a pair of dice, trying to roll doubles. Once doubles are rolled, the ball is passed to the next player and the sequence begins again. The player with the ball **does not** stop unwrapping until the player to their right rolls doubles. Kids get to keep anything they unwrap.

After Activities...

(Gather children back together in one group)

Draw a name out of bucket for Gift Cards (Only 2 Names per Service)

CLOSING: 2-Minute Talent Show and Roll-a-Snowman Game

What to Say: “Have you all had fun so far at Winter Palooza? Me too! The fun isn’t over yet though. It’s time for the 2-Minute Talent Show! Do any of you have any interesting talents? Can you sing? Can you dance? Can you bend your leg behind your head? We want to hear from you! One at a time, for as long as we can, let’s see if we can come up with as many random talents as possible within our group today. Who wants to start?”

(Allows kids to come up, one at a time, and share their “talents”. It can literally be anything.)

CG: 2-Minute Countdown Video

Supplies Needed: Roll-a-Snowman Sheet (1 per student, per service), Dice (1 per group), Clipboards (if not using the tables)

How to Play: Pass out the sheets to the students, and have them circle up in a common area (table, rug, etc.) in your environment. On your “GO!”, hand the single die to one player. He/she rolls, draws the snowman item indicated by the number, and passes the die on. First to complete their snowman wins!

CG: Dude Perfect Winter Videos (For Fillers)