

Middle School Retreat September 10-12, 2019

Our middle school students are headed to Camp Geneva/The Pines on Tuesday, September 10 at 9:00am. Middle school students should arrive to school at the regular start time. Middle school students will return to school on Thursday, September 12 at 11:30am. **There is no school for middle or high school students on Friday, September 13.**

The goal of the annual Fall Retreat is to help students cultivate positive relationships with one another and to focus growing in our faith and personal relationships with Christ in a beautiful outdoor setting.

Tuesday, September 10

Please bring your child to school at the normal time, dressed for Retreat, with luggage and sleeping gear in tow! **Please put sleeping bag in a garbage bag with child's name written on the bag.**

At the Pines

Our itinerary includes a fine variety of activities, including water activities, team-building activities, large group time in the evening, family group (multi grade groups) break-out sessions, cabin devotions, campfires, and, of course, great food! Students will be staying with parent chaperones in grade level/gender specific cabins. The cabins include bunk beds, a bathroom, and a small gathering area.

WHAT TO BRING

- ❖ Casual clothes—shorts are okay for both guys and girls. Shorts must be of modest length (no short-shorts). Warmer clothes – jeans and sweatshirt
- ❖ Jacket
- ❖ Swimming suit—one piece suit for girls
- ❖ Sleeping bag or sheet and a blanket
- ❖ Flashlight (optional)
- ❖ Extra socks
- ❖ Rain poncho
- ❖ Bug spray
- ❖ Sunscreen
- ❖ Tennis shoes
- ❖ Toiletries: shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, deodorant, shower shoes i.e. flip-flops
- ❖ Pajamas
- ❖ Towel/washcloth/beach towel
- ❖ Bible
- ❖ ***Medications may be given to Mrs. Bytwerk the morning of departure. She will give them to the camp nurse; an LCS parent. Please have them labeled and in a plastic bag.***

WHAT NOT TO BRING

- ❖ **CANDY AND OTHER SNACKS**
- ❖ Cell phones and other electronics *may be used on the bus ride only*. (All electronics will be collected before students get off the bus at retreat and will be returned when students get on the bus to come home).
- ❖ Gameboys or toys that could get broken or stolen
- ❖ Alcohol
- ❖ Drugs
- ❖ Weapons
- ❖ Energy drinks or pop is NOT allowed

REGARDING CELL PHONES

Students in need of communicating with parents during Retreat may do so by using a staff members' cell phone or one of the camp's telephones.

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