

Fall Retreat is nearly here, and it is time to get suited up! I want to encourage you all to read through this in its entirety. Even if you have been before... it is good to refresh yourself on everything and you never know, there could be something new you need to be aware of. Below you will find the packing list, instructions for friends & the code of conduct. Call me if you have any questions! Contact information is at the bottom.

THE PACKING LIST

BRING THESE!

Bible & Pen

Your Free Retreat Shirt

Service Attire*

Play Attire (2 outfits and 2 pair of shoes)

Sleep Attire

Coat/Hat/Gloves/Rain gear (according to forecast)

Pillow & Sleeping Bag

Personal hygiene items (soap, shampoo, deo, toothpaste and brush etc.)

Prescribed Medicine*

Towel!

Flashlight with new batteries

Cell Phone*

Snacks

Prescription Medicines*

Trash bag for dirty clothes

DON'T BRING THESE!

Electronic Media Devices

Books/Magazines of inappropriate or distracting content

Weapons of any kind

Non-prescription drugs or medicines

Prank paraphernalia

A Bad Attitude

Make sure you are familiar with the weather conditions and pack accordingly. Don't pack too heavy! This is just an overnight event!

***Service Attire:** Our services are special, and we want to treat them as such. We ask that everyone come to the services wearing their free 2026 Fall Retreat shirt. We encourage the guys to wear this shirt with a nice pair of pants. We ask that the ladies wear it with a skirt down to at least the knee. Pants are also acceptable for the ladies, but we do ask that they are modest in their fit.

Your free Fall Retreat shirt will be given to you before we go during our youth service.

***Cell Phones:** Your cell phones will be accessible at all times, but we ask that they only be used to take photos of the fun or in the case of emergency. If you are seen on your phone for other reasons, it will be taken and kept in a safe place until the end of the retreat.

***Prescription Medication:** Only prescribed medications are allowed. They must be in their original container stamped with the teen's name, medicine name, and dosage. Please put all medication in a Ziplock with teen's name on it. All medicine must be checked in with leadership before departure.

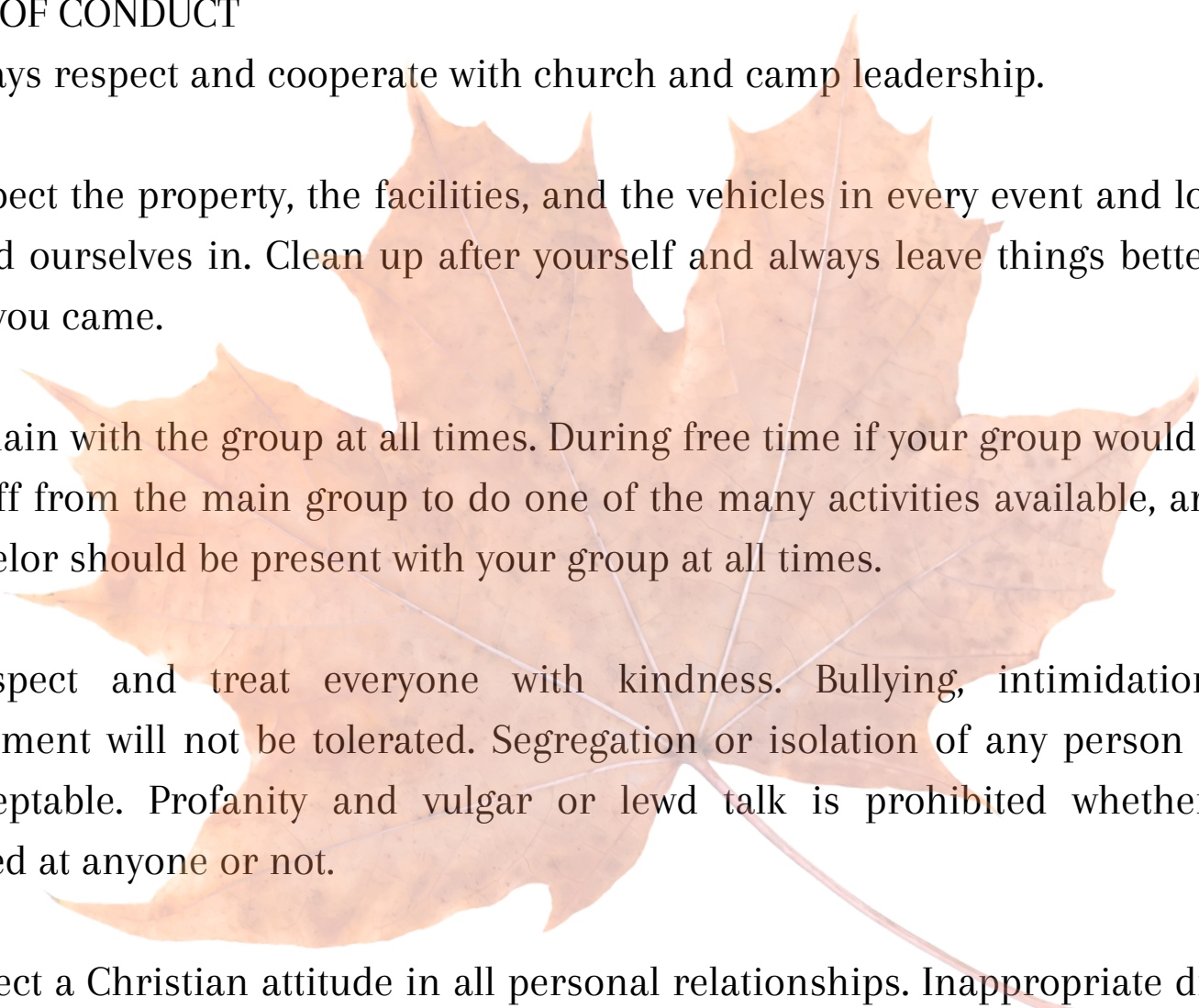
BRINGING A FRIEND?

If one of your friends has registered to go... It would be good if they could be here with us in our Wednesday night youth service on the 21st so that they can get a feel for the group before going. We will also go over instructions for the trip during this time. The service is @ 6:30pm in our activity building.

DEPARTURE AND RETURN

On the day of departure... October 23rd... Make sure you are in the activity building @ 4:30pm. Dinner will be provided and waiting for you. We will eat and pack the vehicles as quickly as possible and leave @ 5pm sharp! We will return October 24th between 9:30 and 10pm the following day.

CODE OF CONDUCT

1. Always respect and cooperate with church and camp leadership.
 2. Respect the property, the facilities, and the vehicles in every event and location we find ourselves in. Clean up after yourself and always leave things better than when you came.
 3. Remain with the group at all times. During free time if your group would like to split off from the main group to do one of the many activities available, an adult counselor should be present with your group at all times.
 4. Respect and treat everyone with kindness. Bullying, intimidation and harassment will not be tolerated. Segregation or isolation of any person is also unacceptable. Profanity and vulgar or lewd talk is prohibited whether it is directed at anyone or not.
 5. Reflect a Christian attitude in all personal relationships. Inappropriate displays of affection, public or non-public, are not permitted. Also, written, verbal or texted conversations about relational intimacies are not to be had.
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6. Exalt Christ in the way that you dress. We ask that nothing form-fitting or see-thru be worn. Shorts should come down to the knee for young men and ladies alike. Shirts should have sleeves & modest neck lines. A good rule of thumb is to cover from neck to knee with loose fitting clothing. Please do not wear clothing printed with inappropriate themes. Our desire is to create an environment where Christ is exalted and He is the sole focus of our hearts.

7. Keep a good attitude and participate in all services and activities! Jump in and have fun!

8. No weapons of any kind are permitted. Drugs, alcohol, tobacco and vaping products are not permitted.

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