

{ North Cobb Christian School Fall Retreat 2008 }

*North Cobb Christian School
Middle School Retreat
August 27-29, 2008
SharpTop Cove, Jasper, Georgia*

The North Cobb Christian School Middle School Retreat will take place this year at SharpTop Cove, a Young Life Camp in Jasper, GA. The Middle School Retreat will be a time for our middle school students and staff to worship together, play hard, pray as a group, eat great meals, talk, laugh, run, swim, sleep, and build relationships. We will worship together each morning and evening and have small groups that meet at various times. During free time we will be able to check out the 900 foot zip line into the lake, the pool, climbing wall, the Great Swing, Frisbee Golf, Basketball, Football, Quantum Leap, Volleyball, The Blob, the gameroom, and much, much, more! We will be the only group at camp and we have the whole place to ourselves. You will not want to miss this. All middle school students will be participating in the retreat.

Our speakers for the retreat will be some of our own teachers and staff. Six Piece Suit and the MS Praise Team will lead worship. Our theme verse for the retreat and our school year is Philippians 2:2, "...then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose."

Our entire middle school staff will serve as leaders for the retreat. We will take several parents along to be a part of our Work Crew to serve at camp. If you would be interested in volunteering for Work Crew, please contact Megan Strange (mstrange@ncchristian.org) right away, we still have some spots left.

The cost for the retreat was included in your activity fee. Your student will only need money if they would like to purchase snacks or items from the camp store.

Please contact Megan Strange, Dean of Student Life, if you have any questions.
email: mstrange@ncchristian.org
phone: 770.975.0252 x 145

packing list

WHAT TO BRING:

Sleeping Bag or Twin Sheets
Pillowcase (pillow is provided)
Towel/Rag
Shorts and Tshirts
Flip flops or sandals
Long Sleeve shirt (may be cool at night)
Bathing Suit (girls-one piece only /guys-modest)
Money for snacks/SharpTop Store

Toiletries
BIBLE
Notebook/Pen
Jeans
Tennis Shoes

WHAT NOT TO BRING:

Cell phones
iPods, CD Players, etc.
DVD Players
Video Games
Laptops
Jewelry
Valuables

**if any of these items are brought, they will be taken up and given back upon return to NCCS

schedule

We will meet at school at 7:50am on Wednesday, August 27th to load the buses and go over any last minute details. The buses will arrive at SharpTop Cove around 10:30am. We will unload and have lunch. The afternoon will be made up of group games, free time, and lots of fun stuff. After dinner, we will have worship with our speaker and band. Each day we will have small groups and grade specific activities that will be a great time to hang out and get to know each other.

Thursday we will have worship in the morning and again in the evening. We will spend some more time with our small groups and have some more free time.

Friday morning we will have breakfast and have our final time of worship. We will load the buses and eat lunch before we leave camp. We'll pull out around 1pm headed back to school. We will arrive no later than 3pm back at NCCS.

contact info/camp news

We will be staying at SharpTop Cove a YoungLife camp in Jasper, GA. Here is the information you will need if you need to contact your student during the retreat. We ask that you please reserve phone calls for emergency only so that your student can fully participate in the retreat experience.

SharpTop Cove
76 Camp Hope Road
Jasper, GA 30143
706.692.5635

<http://sharptopcove.younglife.org>

Emergency Contact: Megan Strange 404.431.3826

You can also email mstrange@ncchristian.org during the retreat and we will have access to that as well. Daily updates will be posted at: <http://www.ncchristian.org>.

behavior agreement

We pray each trip participant knows God and is striving to live a life worthy of His calling. Paul gives solid guidelines in Ephesians 5:1-4 on how to live: "Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God's holy people. Nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving."

BEHAVIOR GUIDELINES:

I understand that...

1. I will not purposefully damage or destroy property belonging to other students or leaders.
2. I will not purposefully damage or destroy equipment, materials, or facilities.
3. I will not be disrespectful or disobedient to adult leaders.
4. I will not publicly display affection (PDA). (*consequences depend on severity*)
5. I will not maliciously harass, tease or criticize anyone.
6. I will not dress improperly or wear the following:
 - *extremely tight tops or bottoms
 - *tops that bare the midriff
 - *spaghetti strap tops or low-cut shirts
 - *short shorts
 - *clothing that pictures or advertises substances that are illegal by law for minors or that are violent or suggestive in nature
 - *shorts that sit low so that underwear is showing (boys and girls)
 - *bikinis (one piece only)
7. I will not use profanity.
8. I will not leave the property.
9. I will not physically hurt or harass someone.
10. I will not use or possess tobacco, alcohol, or any other type of illegal drug.
11. I will not dishonor separate arrangements for males and females.
12. I will not disobey any laws established by our student handbook.

BEHAVIOR AGREEMENT:

Parents, please read these guidelines with your children. Each student and his/her parents must agree to these guidelines to attend the North Cobb Christian Fall Retreats. If the rules are not followed, the parent of the student will be contacted. **If there is a serious violation, the parent must come and pick their student up from camp immediately so as to maintain the integrity of the retreat for the other participants.**

PERMISSION FORM:

I understand that my signature below gives my student permission to participate in the North Cobb Christian School Fall Retreat at SharpTop Cove. I agree to release North Cobb Christian School, SharpTop Cove, YoungLife, and all of their parties from any liability relating to my child's participation in this retreat. I understand that it is my responsibility to make sure that my child has an accurate and updated medical information in 24/7 profiles. If I am unavailable in the event of an emergency, I give the staff of North Cobb Christian School permission to seek medical treatment for my child. I have gone over the behavior guidelines with my student and understand my responsibility if my student violates the behavior contract.

Parent or Guardian Signature

Date

Student Name (print clearly)

Grade

Tshirt size (YM-AXXL)

This form should be signed and returned to your student's first period teacher on Monday, August 11th.