

2018-2019 Junior High Retreats

October 27th-28th & November 3rd-4th 2018 and March 8th-10th 2019

Group/Church Name			Dates (check ONE): _____ Oct 27-28, 2018 _____ November 3-4, 2018 _____ March 9-10, 2019
Group/Church Address			Arrive Friday Night (no cost)? Yes No
City	State	Zip	Daytime Phone
Contact Person			Email
On-Site Retreat Leader			On-Site Cell #

# Youth Males	Payment Options		
# Youth Females	Pay by: (Choose one) Check Visa Master Card Discover Cash	# Total Students _____ * 95 = _____ # Total Chaperones _____ * 35 = _____ # Participants Paintballing _____ * 30 = _____ TOTAL DUE: _____	
# Male Chaperones: Must be over age 21	Credit Card Number: (If paying by Credit Card a 3.5% fee will be added to cover Credit Card Processing Fees)		ENCLOSED PAYMENT: Total Enclosed: _____ Deposit (\$45/person) Amount Other
# Female Chaperones: Must be over age 21	Expiration Date:	3-digit Security code:	
Signature of Card Holder:			
# Paintball Participants:	Billing Address: (if different from above)		REMAINING BALANCE:

Deposit of \$45/Student is due ASAP in order to reserve your lodging as space is limited. Final payments are due two weeks before the event. *All deposits are non-refundable and non-transferable.*
ADDITIONAL HOUSING REQUESTS:

Return to:

Walcamp Outdoor Ministries
32653 Five Points Rd
Kingston, IL 60145
 Or
programdirector@walcamp.org



2018-19 Junior High Retreat Schedule

“Life Rock - Real. Present. God.”

Friday	
(Evening)	Early arrivals / Congregation Time
Saturday	
9:00 am	Registration / Move in / Hangout in Lodge
10:00 am	Icebreakers: _____
10:30 am	Bible Encounter #1 – God is...: _____
11:30 am	Games on the front lawn: _____
12:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm	Group Activities, session #1 -- A: Nature Hike: _____ -- B: Archery: _____
2:30 pm	Group Activities, session #2 -- A: Archery: _____ -- B: Nature Hike: _____
Paint Ball: _____ (for those that signed up ahead of time)	
4:00 pm	Small Group activities, rotation A: -- Group #1 – GIC Challenge #1: _____ -- Group #2 – GIC Challenge #2: _____
4:30 pm	Small Group activities, rotation B: -- Group #1 – GIC Challenge #2: _____ -- Group #2 – GIC Challenge #1: _____
5:00 pm	Congregation Time -- <i>snack bar open:</i> _____
5:30 pm	Dinner
6:30 pm	Evening Activity: _____
7:30 pm	Campfire/Bible Encounter #2 – God is Real: _____
8:30 pm	Evening Recreation or Congregation Time: _____ -- <i>snack bar open until 9 pm:</i> _____ Available options: music, board games, s'mores, cabin time, etc.
10 pm	Cabin time / Congregation time
11pm	Lights out
Sunday	
8:00 am	Breakfast
9:00 am	Bible Encounter #3 – God is Present: _____
10:00 am	Clean up and send off! Congregations may stay longer if desired

Schedule subject to change

Junior High Retreat Frequently Asked Questions

1. What are the retreat dates?

Walcamp has three Jr High Retreats scheduled for the 2018-2019 season.

October 27-28, 2018

November 3-4, 2018

March 9-10, 2019

Groups are welcome to attend multiple retreats. A separate registration form is required for each.

2. What times do the retreats start and end?

Groups can check in between 9:00 am and 10:00 am on Saturday. (See Question #3)

Closing devotions are at 9:00 am on Sunday, ending around 10 am. Groups are welcome to stay longer on Sunday if desired to pack and clean up, and to hang out with their group.

3. Can my group arrive on Friday instead?

If you would like to arrive Friday evening we can accommodate at no extra charge. Check “yes” on the registration form. Meals and programs are NOT provided on Friday night unless requested (these would include extra costs).

4. Will meals be provided?

Yes! Walcamp provides **Saturday Lunch and Dinner, and Sunday Breakfast**. For dietary restrictions or allergies, please contact Ranelle at guestservices@walcamp.org or call 815-784-5141 x 114

5. How many chaperones are required?

We ask one chaperone for every eight participants. We also ask for at least one chaperone for each gender. If these cannot be arranged, please call the office or email programdirector@walcamp.org and we can try to work something out so that your group can still attend!

6. Who can be a chaperone? Do we need to have a pastor/DCE/deaconess come with?

Any responsible adult over the age of 21 can chaperone, no religious training needed. While groups are not required to bring a pastor/DCE/deaconess, these leaders are invited to attend with their youth!

7. What does a Chaperone do?

We ask that at least one chaperone be present at activities with your youth. Our staff members lead the activities, but it is helpful to have an adult who knows your participants and can assist with any needs they might have. Chaperones also supervise their group at night, at meals and during “congregation times.”

8. What is “Congregation/Cabin Time” or “Evening Recreation Time?”

These scheduled ‘activities’ are times where your group’s chaperones are responsible for your youth. These times can be as structured or relaxed as you desire, and often involve “hanging out” together until the next activity.

9. I see paintball listed on the registration sheet, how does that work?

Walcamp offers **optional paintball activities** on Saturday afternoon. There are extra costs involved, listed on the registration sheet.

10. I noticed that the rates listed on the registration sheet are different from Walcamp’s normal paintball rate. Which one is correct?

They both are! We offer paintball at a special discounted rate for our junior high retreats. Paintball events for other weekends are listed at the normal price.

11. If only a few members of my group want to paintball, do we all have to participate?

No, there are plenty of other activities available during paintball. Your group is free to split up for the afternoon.

12. What other afternoon activities will be available?

Other afternoon activities are weather dependent. Archery, hiking, skiing, gaga ball and nine-square and other options may be substituted for those listed on the schedule.

13. How might inclement weather affect the retreat?

While we try to spend as much time outdoors as possible, there is plenty of indoor space in case of heavy snow, hail, rain, or extreme temperatures. Should the event be cancelled due to extreme conditions, groups will receive a full refund, including deposits.

14. If we sign up for paintball but the weather prevents us from playing what will happen?

We will refund you the full amount for course fees and paint OR you can come back another time at the special discount rate for paintball.

15. What will our housing look like?

Your group members will be housed together, separated by gender, in Oak, Maple, the Lodge, or the Thiel Center. Housing is determined based on the number of people in each group and the total attendance for the retreat. Housing requests can be made at the bottom of the registration page. Every effort will be made to accommodate, but nothing is guaranteed. Groups may be asked to share housing with other groups.

16. Is there a minimum/maximum amount of people per group?

Not really. **We can take in groups as small as two and as large as eighty.** Larger groups should register as early as possible to guarantee bed space. (See Question #18)

17. I have a smaller group, is there any way to carpool with other groups?

Email programdirector@walcamp.org if you are looking to carpool. We can ask any attending congregations in your area if they would be willing to assist.

18. My group really wants to attend, but the dates listed are unavailable to us. Is there anything we can do?

You can schedule your own customized retreat for any age group by contacting the office. We can use this year's program and theme, or customize it for the needs of your group.

19. I have questions that are not answered here.

Any other questions, comments, or concerns can be directed to our Program Director, Ben Konrad at programdirector@walcamp.org or 815-784-5141 ex. 112.



WHAT TO BRING

- Sleeping bag OR twin sheets and blanket(s)
- Pillow
- Clothing and underwear for each day
- Extra clothing that can get wet/dirty
- Plenty of socks
- Pajamas. Bathrobe if desired
- Slippers and/or shower shoes
- Closed toe shoes (sneakers/boots)
- Rubber boots/sneakers that can get wet or muddy
- Hooded sweatshirt(s)
- (Spring/Summer/Fall) Rain jacket or poncho
- (Chance of snow) Winter jacket. Snow pants if desired
- (Paintball participants) Extra layers: sweatshirt, coat, etc.
- Cap or hat
- Bag for dirty laundry/wet items
- Shampoo, Soap & Deodorant
- Toothbrush & Toothpaste
- Comb or Brush
- Shower Towel
- Facial tissues
- Sunscreen
- Insect repellent
- Water bottle
- Flashlight w/extra batteries
- Bible
- Camera (disposable with name written on it)
- Swimsuit and towel (if swimming)

Please write camper's name on all items to ensure it all comes home with them!

What NOT to bring: cell phones, make-up, sprays (Axe, perfume, etc.), electronics (tablets, music players, etc.), expensive jewelry, blow dryers or straighteners, knives or weapons. Please avoid bringing items that might be expensive to replace or have great sentimental value.



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