



HIGH SCHOOL WINTER RETREAT INFORMATION

PURPOSE

Winter Retreat is all about helping students experience spiritual refreshment by building friendships, worshipping, getting into the Bible for themselves, and making great memories.

WHAT TO EXPECT

- Gatherings with music & teaching
- Small groups
- Snowboarding/Skiing
- Games
- Snowball fights
- Sledding/Tubing

DETAILS

LOCATION

The Chalet at Mt. Baker
Check out thefirs.org for more info!

TRAVEL PLANS

Students will travel by bus to Winter Retreat. Check-in is at 4:30 PM on February 14th in the Family Life Center (entrance off the lower parking lot). The bus will depart at 5:00 PM or sooner if we get everyone here and loaded up. We will return on February 17th around 3:30 PM.

EMERGENCY CONTACT

Josh Lewis
Student Ministries Team Lead
Josh1@highlandsc.org
937-829-4921 (limited cell service)

PARENTS - Text the keyword "HSWR" to 425-549-4848 to receive travel updates and the most accurate student return time on Feb. 17th from Pastor Josh. ****you must opt-in for each individual camp or retreat. Prior camp or retreat opt-ins will not apply.****

PACKING LIST

WHAT TO BRING

****Sack Dinner for Friday trip***
****Money for lunch on the way home***

- Bible, pen, and notebook
- Sleeping bag and pillow in clearly labeled garbage bag
- Toiletries & towel
- Warm clothes
- Snow gear and snow boots
- Please bring your favorite non-peanut group snack to share (ex: bag of chips, protein bars, cookies, etc.) Collection

bins will be set out at check-in for snack drop off. The snacks will be set out at various times in the Chalet for students to grab.

OPTIONAL PACKING LIST

- Snowboard/ski equipment
- Money for the lift & rentals
- Money for snacks at the ski lodge
- ****Info on the ski lodge is available online at mtbaker.us**

PACKING LIST CONT.

WHAT NOT TO BRING

Things that are easily broken, expensive or hard to replace or any items for “practical jokes.” Drugs, alcohol, cigarettes, smoking/vaping paraphernalia, weapons or fireworks. These items undermine the purpose of retreat and will not be allowed. Your cooperation in working with your student to ensure this is adhered to is appreciated. Please note that we are not responsible for misplaced, lost or stolen items.

CELL PHONES

We understand that most students have cell phones and are active on social media. In fact, it’s one of our favorite ways to connect with them and communicate with them. The goal of Winter Retreat is to retreat from the normal flow of life, and we think this includes retreating from our phones. As we all know, our phones can consume a lot of our time and attention. We want to help students spend a few days intentionally focusing on their relationships with God and others, so we will be asking students to limit their phone use while they are at Winter Retreat.

MEDICATIONS

Please check-in prescriptions, special meds, and over the counter meds at the table marked “Medical Staff” when you arrive at Highlands for check-in. All medications must be in their original containers. For safety, students will not carry their own medications so please be sure not to pack them!

NOTE:

No drugs or alcohol are permitted at retreat. If they are found or suspected, parents will be contacted and expected to pick their student up at the Chalet.