



Kirchenwald's Winter Youth Retreat

Thank you for registering and welcome to Kirchenwald's 2026 Winter Retreat. We look forward to a fun-filled weekend of seasonal activities and faith development.

Please plan to arrive at camp between 7:00 and 7:30pm on Friday, January 2. Check-in will take place at the SchreiberHaus lodge in main camp. Be sure to bring your completed medical form and any medications to the lodge at that time.

Be aware that we plan to spend much of the weekend enjoying activities outdoors, so please pack appropriately. It is important to have enough warm clothing to participate in games and worship outside in cold, snowy, and potentially wet conditions. Clothing should also allow freedom for easy movement for running and other outside recreation. Hats, gloves, scarves, boots, extra sneakers, long underwear, and snow pants are all suggested for wintry comfort. Pack a sleeping bag and/or sheets and a pillow for overnight. You'll also want a flashlight for navigating in the dark. Like our summer program, we request that you leave cell phones, hand-held games, and other electronics at home.

In past winters we have operated with snow on the ground and ice on the lake. We hope for the same again this year so we can go sledding and play on the frozen lake. Feel free to bring sleds, skates, or any other snow toys for the weekend. The camp has a few sleds for campers who don't bring their own, and there's always lots of sharing of equipment.

As a group, we will also be watching a movie that addresses the Bible Study theme of the retreat. Please be assured that the movie will be reviewed to ensure that it is appropriate for the ages of all campers.

The retreat will conclude after lunch on Sunday, January 4 with camper pick-up between 1:00 and 1:30pm.

Please contact the camp with any questions at 717.964.3121, or call the main camping office at 717.677.8211

In peace,

Winter Retreat Staff