

Covenant Pines Bible Camp Senior High Fall Retreat FAQs

Can anyone come to this retreat?

Unfortunately, no. This retreat is designed for youth groups to come and play, retreat, and experience camp together. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, all our programming will take place within each separate youth group. All of our Twin Cities owner churches are in different stages of reopening, and this means that not every church that would regularly come to a youth retreat is planning to come to this retreat. If you do not see your church listed on the registration, please connect with your church leaders!

Is transportation provided?

Camp will not be providing transportation to and from our retreat this fall. Families should connect with their church to see how each church is planning to get their students up to camp. Prior to your journey up to camp on Friday, we ask that you screen each of your campers for a temperature higher than 100.4 and other COVID19 symptoms. If any camper has a temperature or symptoms they should stay home. Every vehicle that arrives at camp will be screened by camp staff and if anyone in the vehicle has a temperature over 100.4 the entire vehicle will be sent home.

Will there be chapel?

As of right now, we will not be having chapel as many of us are used to here at Covenant Pines. There will not be a guest pastor for our time together, and we won't be in the chapel space for corporate worship. The rhythm of being together in God's word and a spirit of worship though will absolutely still be present, and we're looking at ways to engage in a creative worship experience.

Will I have to practice social distancing and/or wear a mask while at camp?

Per the Governor's latest Executive Order, we are requiring face masks while in indoor spaces. This includes the Dining Hall (while you're not eating at your table) along with other spaces such as the Camp Store, Craft Hall, and Fireside Lounge. This also includes shared lodging spaces outside your private room in Bald Eagle Lodge and the Retreat Center. Please plan to bring your own face mask. Games and activities around camp will be planned so that social distancing can be maintained, especially between different youth groups.

What sorts of activities can I expect?

While this weekend will look different then a typical weekend retreat, we can't wait for you to experience Christ at camp with us! Camp at its core is a place to play and have fun, to be outside, to slow down and listen for God's voice, to retreat together. As of right now, our climbing tower and giant swing are closed. Beyond our ropes areas though you can anticipate some of your favorite fall classics at camp with a fresh spin so we can all stay safe and healthy.

What are the cleaning practices at camp?

We have upgraded and increased the cleaning practices at camp in response to COVID19. We will continue to thoroughly clean, disinfect and sanitize your cabin prior to your arrival. We are treating all inside surfaces with OmniShield Protectant, which creates an antimicrobial barrier that ruptures the membrane of any virus or bacteria molecule and kills it. In addition, all outdoor program equipment (playground, docks, boats, lifejackets, lawn furniture....) has also been treated with

OmniShield Protectant bringing the same safety benefit. Hand Sanitizer will be available in every cabin and you are encouraged to use it regularly.

Still have a question? Our staff are happy to help!

Program question? Email Natalie at <u>natalie@covenantpines.org</u> Registration question? Email Angie at <u>office@covenantpines.org</u> Policy and/or safety question? Email Matt at <u>matt@covenantpines.org</u>

