

2025 HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT FAQs

Date & Time

High School Retreat will take place on Friday, November 7, through Sunday, November 9, at [Expeditions Unlimited](#) located at E11844 County Rd DL, Baraboo, WI 53913.

- Check-in will begin at 4 pm **for all campuses** at the [St. Charles/South Elgin Campus](#) at 820 Randall Road, South Elgin, IL.
- Students will return to the St. Charles/South Elgin Campus on Sunday, November 9, at approximately 3 pm.

Check In

Check-in will begin at 4 pm **for all campuses** at the [St. Charles/South Elgin Campus](#) at 820 Randall Road, South Elgin, IL.

Cost

The cost for the retreat is \$210 and includes transportation to and from Expeditions Unlimited. Dinner on Friday at CCC before they leave. On Saturday, breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Sunday breakfast and lunch.

- Paintball for \$20 and High Ropes for \$15 are additional costs and not included in the registration fee. **It is not required to participate in these activities, and we have other activities available for students.**
- Please see the activities section of this document for more information.

Scholarships

We recognize that \$210 is not a small amount of money. We also realize this is an important weekend that can accomplish a tremendous amount of spiritual and relational growth in the lives of students who participate. We do not want any high school student to miss out on this retreat because of the cost, so we have scholarship funds available. If you need financial assistance, please contact Kendra Ross at kross@ccclife.org for a scholarship application or more information.

Transportation

Transportation will be provided by coach buses for all campuses and will be leaving from the St. Charles/South Elgin Campus.

Lodging

Each Student will have a bed and will stay in preassigned gender-specific cabins at Expeditions Unlimited. There will be at least two leaders in each cabin. A sleeping bag and pillow are recommended to lie on top of the beds.

What will my student be doing during the retreat?

Throughout the weekend, students will have time to participate in large group sessions that will consist of worship and teaching. Small group discussions and activities with leaders and plenty of time to have fun participating in various activities around the camp, like bonfires and S'mores. Expeditions Unlimited has a canteen store called Higher Ground for kids to grab snacks and souvenirs.

List of specific activities students will have access to.

- Archery
- Axe Throwing
- Gaga ball
- High Ropes **(Additional cost option purchased during the registration process of \$15 per student)**
- Higher Ground **(Hang out area and store for students. A place to play board and card games, and connect with friends).** Check out the walk-through of the area [HERE](#).
- Indoor Climbing Wall
- Ninja Warrior Course
- Paintball **(Additional cost option purchased during the registration process of \$15 per student)**
- Volleyball

What is the topic for the 2025 High School Retreat?

“No Other Name”

We'll invite students to experience worship that reaches beyond songs and church services and has no limits. This powerful weekend will help you see that worship is a daily response to the unmatched name of Jesus. A name that brings freedom, draws near in every moment, and calls us to reflect His light to the world. From the quiet moments to the loud declarations, this retreat's focus on No Other Name will lead students to recognize that Jesus is not only Savior, but Lord—and He alone is worthy of our lives, our praise, and our witness.

Food at Expeditions Unlimited

We will provide students with a light dinner on Friday before departure. During the weekend, students are provided with Saturday Breakfast, Saturday Lunch, Saturday Dinner, Sunday Breakfast, and Sunday Lunch. **Students should bring money if they would like extra snacks from the store, Higher Ground.**

- The menu for the weekend can be found **HERE** (2 weeks before Nov 7).
- Higher Grounds menu can be found [HERE](#).

Medication/Medical Form

Staff will be responsible for handing out medication to students. Please place the medication in a zip-loc bag with their name on it and place the completed [Medication Form](#) inside.

What to Bring

- Bible, paper, and pen
- **Refillable water bottle**, there are stations throughout camp to fill them at - (the main one is at Higher Ground and will be accessible the entire time we are there), **we will not be supplying bottles of water**
- One suitcase and one small carry-on bag for the bus. Bag space is limited, so this will be strictly enforced
- Sleeping Bag and Pillow to lie on bunk bed mats
- Sweatshirt/Fleece Jacket/Coat
- Rain Gear

- Warm hat and gloves
- Wool socks or heavy socks
- 2-3 changes of clothes
- Shoes for indoor activities
- Shoes for outdoor activities
- Sleeping attire
- Towel
- Toilet Kit: Soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrush, hairbrush, lip balm, etc

Click [HERE](#) if you would like to volunteer!