

# Youth Winter Camp 2025

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

1. Who can attend?
  - Any student who is currently in 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade
2. What are the dates?
  - Saturday Jan 18<sup>th</sup> - Monday Jan. 20<sup>th</sup> (MLK Weekend)
3. Where is the Retreat?
  - [Cascades Camp](http://www.cascades.org) (www.cascades.org)  
22825 Peissner Rd SE, Yelm, WA 98597
4. How much does it cost?
  - \$100 per student (includes all meals, lodging, activities, giveaways, etc.)
    - a. ***Payment and forms must be received by Sunday, December 29th.***
5. How can I register?
  - Registration forms can be picked up in the youth room or at [blueskychurch.com/refresh](http://blueskychurch.com/refresh)
  - Forms can be turned in at the following locations
    - a. Offering basket during service or black offering box (i.e. back of auditorium)
    - b. Weekly at youth group
6. When do I need to drop off my student? When will they return?
  - Check-in begins at 8:30 AM on Saturday. The bus will be leaving Blue Sky shortly after.
  - We will return to Blue Sky around 2:30 PM on Monday Jan. 15th.
7. **WHAT TO PACK**
  - **Bedding and pillow** (twin size beds)
    - o *no bedding is provided*
  - Bible, Notebook, pen
  - Water Bottle
  - Snacks
  - Clothing for 2 nights/2 days
  - Toiletries (Deodorant, soap, shampoo, toothpaste/brush, etc)
  - Towels
  - Athletic/warm clothes for outdoor activities
    - o Outdoor activities include zip lining, rock climbing, horseback riding and a bonfire
  - Tennis Shoes (closed toe) for outdoor activities
  - Laundry bag for messy clothes
8. **WHAT NOT TO PACK**
  - ANY electronic gaming device
  - Tobacco products/alcohol/drugs\*
  - Lighters/Matches\*
  - Fireworks \*
  - Weapons\*

\*Possession of these items will result in your student being sent home & picked up at your expense.

**9. Will my student be able to take their cell phone?**

- No. We believe this retreat has the potential to be life-changing. We want to eliminate anything that might be a distraction to our students focusing on God and building relationships with others.

**10. How can I reach them in case of an emergency?**

- Harry Xue's Cell: 425.358.0848
- Alexander Chery's Cell: 425.495.1542
- Cascades Camp 360.894.3838
  - *Please limit calls to emergency only*

**11. What form of transportation will we use?**

- We will be using charter buses for transportation to and from Blue Sky Church.

**12. What are the sleeping/housing arrangements?**

- Students will be rooming with their small group leaders and other students of the same age and gender.

**14. Are there scholarships available?**

- Yes, but on a limited and case by case basis. We have done everything we can to make this as affordable as possible.
- Contact Harry Xue for inquiries.

**15. Can I sponsor a student to attend?**

- Absolutely! You can write a check to Blue Sky Church with Youth Scholarship in memo. You can drop that in the offering basket or black offering boxes at your convenience.

**15. What kind of adult supervision is provided?**

- All of our leaders are trusted, interviewed, and trained.
- Our ratio will be a maximum of 5 students per adult leader on the retreat.

**16. Will someone administer medicine for my student?**

- We ask that students monitor and administer their own medication
- Please indicate that on registration forms and also at check-in

**17. What if I have more questions?**

- Call Harry Xue at 425.358.0848 or [harryxue@blueskychurch.com](mailto:harryxue@blueskychurch.com)