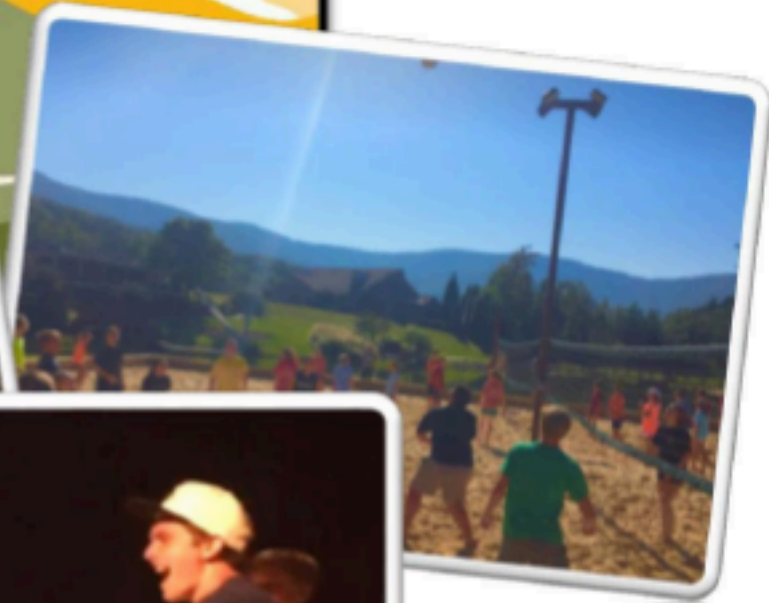
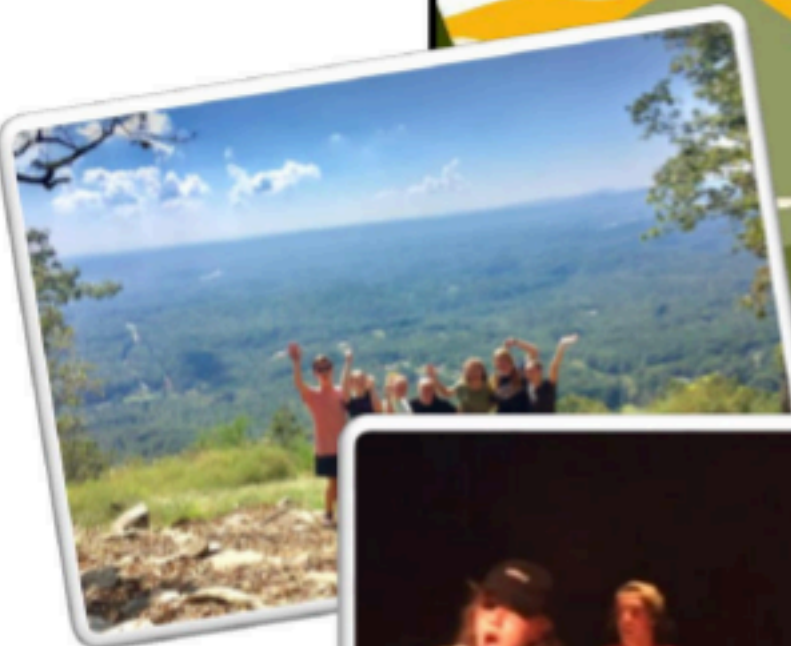
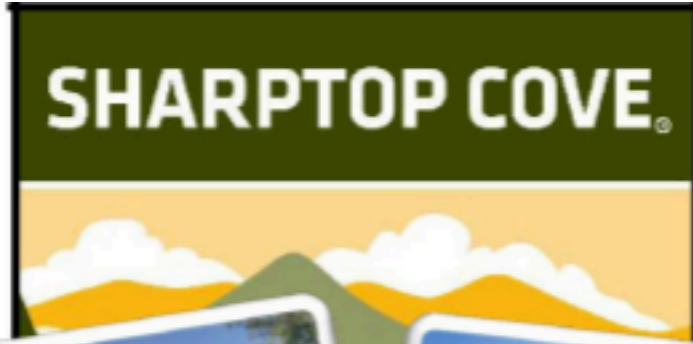


**2025 WCA  
Upper School Retreat  
Informational Packet**





Dear Parents,

We are just a few weeks away from our Upper School Retreat. This event is always a highlight of the year for both our students and staff. We believe that this event greatly impacts the culture that we seek to create in our Upper School as we worship and fellowship together as a student body. This packet contains information regarding the specifics of the trip.

- **What:** 2025 Westminster Upper School Retreat
- **When:** **(Seniors)** September 23-September 26  
**(Grades 6-11)** September 24- September 26
- **Departure Time**
  - (Seniors) Noon Tuesday, September 23
  - (6-11) 1:30 Wednesday, September 24
- **Return Time**
  - Approximately 12:30 PM Friday, September 26
- **Cost:** \$275 (grades 6-11), \$360 (Seniors) will be charged to FACTS for this retreat. This includes transportation, lodging, meals, and all the activities we will be taking part in while at camp.
- **Where:** *Sharp Top Cove* located in Jasper, GA
  - [sharptopcove.younglife.org](http://sharptopcove.younglife.org)

Students may dress according to Casual Friday guidelines for departure day on Wednesday, September 24. Please refer to the following pages for information on **Dress Code** and a **Packing List** for the remainder of the week. We will be transported to SharpTop via our WCA buses and charter buses. Our Upper School Staff will be attending and chaperoning the activities all week.

Please pray for us as we complete our final preparations for this trip. Also, pray that God would give us a safe trip and that through this retreat our students and staff will be drawn closer to Jesus Christ! Should you have specific questions regarding the retreat, please contact Tollie Ediger at [tediger@wcalions.org](mailto:tediger@wcalions.org).

In Christ,

Steve Crouse  
Upper School Principal

# Packing List

- Bible, notebook/journal, and pen
- Bed linens for a twin size bed OR sleeping bag
- Pillow
- Towel & washcloth
- Personal Toiletries
  - soap, shampoo, toothbrush & toothpaste, etc.
- Bathing suit
  - Ladies : one piece or tankini
  - Guys: trunks
- Flashlight
- Bug Spray
- Optional money for gift shop and snack shop
- Leave all valuables at home
- Minimum of THREE changes of clothes
  - \* Athletic clothing including tennis shoes
  - \* Clothing for hiking/relaxing around the camp

## General Dress Code

- T-Shirts, jeans, shorts are all appropriate attire for this trip. Shirts must be worn at all times while at camp unless in a swimming area. Appropriate swimwear for girls is a one piece swimsuit or Tankini. Guys, swimming trunks or shorts, no speedos.

## Upper School Retreat FAQ

### **Q: What is the policy for cell phones at camp for students?**

**A:** Because we want this trip to be about building relationships and investing in each other, we will be asking students to turn in their phones upon boarding the buses. We will provide contact information in the event of an emergency. Students' phones will be returned at the end of the trip. If you prefer, your child may simply leave his/her phone at home.

### **Q: What are the housing arrangements?**

**A:** There are two male cabins and two female cabins. All cabins have 2 floors with 4 rooms with 6-10 beds in each room. (Total of 8 rooms per house). There will be 3 student rooms and 1 faculty room on each floor. Students will be placed in rooms based on grade.

**Q: If my student does not have a 1 piece bathing suit, can they wear a t-shirt and shorts over a two piece.**

**A:** Yes. Girls may wear a dark colored t-shirt over a 2 piece if they do not have a 1 piece or tankini.

**Q: How will lunch work on the day of departure?**

**A:** *The Seniors will stop for lunch on the way and should bring money for lunch. Students in grades 6-11 will proceed through a normal school day through lunch, so students will eat prior to departing on buses.*

**Q: How do I contact my child in the case of an emergency?**

**A:** *The camp's normal operational hours are 8:00-4:30. You can reach their receptionist at 706-692-5635. If you have an emergency outside of that time, their emergency line is 770-547-3671. Please only use this for an actual emergency.*

**Q: What are some of the activities that students will participate in besides our worship and teaching sessions?**

**A:** *Below are some of the activities students and faculty will have the opportunity to enjoy. Teachers and Sharp Top staff will provide supervision.*

### **The Giant Swing and Lake Slide**

At 75 feet in length, the Log Flume gives plenty of time to gain some speed before splashing into the water!



You'll get some serious hang time on the Dredge as you swing into the lake. Jump off and see how far you can go!



The Prospector's Line is a thrilling 800-foot tandem zip line that starts in the trees and ends in the lake.

## Game Room



Challenge your friend to a quick game of pool, ping pong, foosball, shuffle board, or air hockey! When you're ready to relax, grab a sweet treat from [Earle's Feed Store](#) and hang out in the Fireside Room.

## The Barn



## Pool

The pool at SharpTop is the best place to hang out! Jump off the diving board, play a game of pool basketball, or relax in lounge chairs. The pool deck also overlooks the lake, making it a great place to watch your friends zip down the [Prospector's Line](#)