



Young Jains of America

Federation of Jain Associations in North America

Official Rules and Regulations | YJA In-Person Events 2023

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I am a registered attendee for a 2023 YJA In-Person Event (e.g. Retreats, National Dinners, etc.). I hereby understand and freely and voluntarily agree to be bound by the following official rules and regulations to attend this in-person event, hosted by Young Jains of America ("YJA"). I understand and agree that any violation of any of the rules or regulations listed below will subject me to applicable disciplinary actions, including removal, as provided. I understand and agree that these rules and regulations have been established in order to provide a safe and enjoyable environment for all, and I agree to abide by them.

- 1) I understand that I must be between the ages of 14-29 at the time of the Retreat in order to register and attend the said 2023 YJA Retreat(s).
- 2) Upon check-in at the Retreat, I will remain on Retreat grounds until the end of the Retreat.
- 3) I will attend all Retreat activities. If I am unable to attend any Retreat activity, with the exception of those activities that are designated as optional activities, I will notify the Regional Coordinator prior to the activity. If I fail to comply with the attendance policy, I understand that the YJA may deny and/or dismiss me from attending some or all of the remaining Retreat activities.
- 4) Throughout the duration of the Retreat, I will be dressed in [appropriate YJA attire](#). I understand that inappropriate attire will not be tolerated and that YJA reserves the right to deny and/or dismiss me from attending events until my attire is changed.
- 5) I will be in my assigned lodging area by the specified curfew time every night of the Retreat. If I am seen in any other part of the Retreat venue after that time, I understand that I will be subject to disciplinary actions.
- 6) I will not leave the Retreat site for any reason without obtaining prior written consent from the Regional Coordinator. If I leave the Retreat site at any time without prior approval, I understand that I will not be allowed to return to the Retreat or participate in any further Retreat activities. I will not receive any refund on my registration fee, and I will be responsible for my own safety and well-being. I understand and agree to release from any responsibility and not hold the Federation of Jain Associations in North America ("JAINA"), YJA, and all their directors, officers, employees, agents, coordinators, and volunteers responsible at any time. I understand that JAINA, YJA, and all their directors, officers, employees, agents, coordinators, and volunteers will not be responsible for my whereabouts, safety, and well-being once I have left the Retreat site.
- 7) I will not be in possession of, or will not consume, any alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, or illegal substances at any time during the Retreat. I understand that my failure to abide by



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these rules will result in swift disciplinary actions and may include expulsion from the Retreat.

- 8) I will not cause, or cause any attendee or participant to do so on to another attendee or participant or a third person, any violence, physical or otherwise. Further, I will not harm or encourage or allow an attendee or participant to harm another in any way. Lastly, I will not participate in nor encourage another to participate in any sexual activity during the Retreat. I understand that any violation of these rules will not be tolerated and will result in immediate expulsion from the Retreat.
- 9) I will be respectful of all Retreat site property, including everything within my lodging room and in the Retreat site. If I cause any damage, I understand that I (or the parent/legal guardian if under the age of 18) am ultimately responsible. In the event that my room is damaged or there is loss of hotel property from my room, and the responsible party cannot be identified, the financial burden will be divided amongst the room residents.
- 10) I will be ultimately responsible for my actions, although I understand that YJA will take all reasonable steps to ensure that I have a safe and enjoyable Retreat. I will indemnify and hold harmless and blameless JAINA, YJA, and all their directors, officers, employees, agents, coordinators, and volunteers from any and all liability from damages, loss, or injuries either to person(s) or property which I may sustain while engaged in any activity conducted by or in connection with the 2023 YJA Retreats including, but not limited to, transportation.
- 11) I will reimburse and/or indemnify JAINA, YJA, and/or all their directors, officers, employees, agents, coordinators, and volunteers for any loss or damage or costs that JAINA, YJA, and/or all their directors, officers, employees, agents, coordinators, and volunteers may incur due to any claims or litigation arising from any breach, violation or damage incurred by me as a result of any action by me or anyone on my behalf and/ or due to any claims or litigation initiated by me, by my parent or guardian or by anyone on my behalf resulting directly or indirectly from my participation in Retreat activities.
- 12) I consent to YJA recording and using any film/photo content from the 2023 YJA Retreats that I may appear in knowingly or unknowingly. I waive all claims to compensation or royalties. I waive all claims to disapprove or approve the final content created.
- 13) If I am found to be in violation of any of these rules and regulations, I will comply with any and all disciplinary actions and consequences as a result of my action or inaction at my own expense and with no refund of my registration fee or other costs. I further understand that if I am under the age of 18, any financial burdens incurred as a result of disciplinary action will be the responsibility of my parent and/or legal guardian.
- 14) I understand the registration and cancellation rules and payment policies. I recognize that the registration fee for the Retreat is non-refundable after the registration closing date of the Retreat. You can request to cancel your registration by emailing finance@yja.org. To receive any refund, you must request a cancellation at least 72 hours before the registration deadline. To receive a full refund, your cancellation request must also be



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within 72 hours of your registration. If YJA cancels your registration after the 72 hour window following your registration, you will receive at least a partial refund. No refunds will be issued after the Retreat registration deadline. Please contact finance@yja.org with any other questions or requests. I also understand that I will be responsible for any wrongful bank fees incurred by YJA due to wrongful disputes with credit card companies or non-sufficient funds checks issued.

- 15) I understand that YJA reserves the right to change or cancel Retreat plans (programs, activities, sessions, etc.), including for the safety of participants during the COVID-19 pandemic. No refund requests will be entertained due to any such changes or cancellations. YJA is not responsible for any charges associated with these changes or cancellations (travel, accommodations, etc.).