September 1, 2019

Dear Parents,

Thank you for allowing your child to join us for the December 13-15, 2019 Confirmation Retreat! We are praying for you and your child, and we are looking forward to the retreat. Plan to arrive at Whispering Winds between 5 and 5:30 PM on Friday, December 13. To make alternate arrangements, (only if *absolutely* necessary, please!) contact our Camp Director, Benny Veale, at 619-913-8603. The retreat will end on Sunday, December 15 by 11:30 AM.

As a mother of teenagers, I too want my children's faith to develop and grow. I ask you to join with me in praying for the young people who will be on the mountain. Subjects may come up which deal with the real issues teens are faced with daily and our goal is to give them faith tools to use while dealing with these difficulties. As with all activities, adults will always be present during these discussions.

Camper check-in will take place in the Welcome Center. To help foster a retreat atmosphere, **all cell phones** will be collected at check-in and returned at departure. Please notify your teen of this policy or better yet, keep cell phones at home. Leaders and camp staff have cell phones in the rare event you need to be contacted regarding your child. In case of an emergency, you may call Camp Director, Benny Veale, at 619-913-8603.

Attached are documents that include some important information for you and your child. It is important to complete the **Medical History & Release**, **Waiver and Code of Behavior**. Please print all forms, fill them out and bring them to check-in at camp. Also included is a list of what to bring to camp and directions. We strongly encourage you to check the weekend's forecast before coming out – make sure you pack appropriate clothing for mountain weather.

We have a **zero tolerance** policy for drugs, alcohol, or weapons. We reserve the right to search guests' belongings if we have reason to believe these items are in their possession. We will call parents for immediate pick-up of any child possessing or under the influence of these items. The reason for this policy is to keep all guests safe and protected. Major infractions of the *Code of Behavior* will be met with the same consequences.

You will be notified by the camp if your child wants to speak with you in an extreme case of homesickness, breaks a bone, has extensive bleeding, a head injury, or any other medical need that necessitates seeking outside help or calling 911.

Please note that we will be selling Whispering Winds attire such as sweatshirts, t-shirts and hats. All food will be provided for the weekend, but it is suggested that campers bring a snack to share with the group. Community snacks can be dropped off at the Cedar House upon check-in.

If you or your child have any questions, we would be happy to answer them; please contact our office at <u>office@whisperingwinds.org</u> or 619-464-1479.

God Bless you!

Paula Bott
Director of Marketing & Programs
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# **Whispering Winds Confirmation Retreat**

## What to Bring to Camp:

Three required signed forms

Pillow and sleeping bag

Towel

Flashlight

Refillable water bottle

Chapstick or other lip balm

Clothes

Sleepwear

Jacket

**Toiletries** 

Tennis shoes and/or hiking boots

Rosary

Sunscreen, if desired

Hat or visor, if desired

Every student please bring a plain white T-shirt to decorate

Sunglasses, if desired

Extra blanket, if desired

Snack/drinks to share with group, if desired

Prescription and over-the-counter medication—Must be turned in to the Camp Health Supervisor upon arrival, in the original bottle and not expired. CAMP WILL NOT ADMINISTER MEDICATION

#### THAT IS NOT IN ITS ORIGINAL BOTTLE.

Bible, if desired

Money for camp store, if desired. (Money is not required at camp!)

If you drive yourself to camp and you are aged 17 and under, proof of insurance and notification from your parents of your transportation is required.

Please label jacket, flashlight, camera, hat, water bottle, etc.

## Please DO NOT Bring:

Inappropriate clothing

Valuables

Cell phones

**IPods** 

Laptops

Personal sports equipment—archery, climbing gear, basketballs, soccer balls, etc.

Animals

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Prior to Camp

Fill out your Medical History and Release, Waiver and Code of Behavior Forms!



## **Diocesan Confirmation Retreat 2019**

## Code of Behavior

\*\*To be read and signed by youth participants and their parents \*\*

We are happy and excited that you are joining us as part of our Diocesan Confirmation Retreat 2019. The *Code of Behavior* has been developed as a way of helping participants understand what is expected of them during the weekend, and of making the learning experience a healthy and growth-filled one for all involved. Please read through the *Code* carefully, as you will be expected to honor and uphold it throughout your time with us.

- As necessary as rules are to maintain order, they can't and won't guarantee a successful retreat experience. Success depends on people's willingness to work together for the common good.
- Participants take part in the retreat as part of a parish. The adult chaperone of each parish maintains primary responsibility for the actions of his or her parish members. The parish and families of the participants assume responsibility for any damage done to the facilities.
- Participants attending as individuals are representing their parish and are expected to participate and behave responsibly.
- Participants are expected to attend all sessions unless explicitly excused by the Program Director.
- Name badges must be worn during all program activities.
- Dress throughout the retreat experience is casual; however shirts and shoes must be worn at all sessions and meals. No low-slung pants, short shorts, crop tops or tube tops. Modesty is important.
- Socializing should take place only in the designated public areas of the housing facility. No visiting is allowed in sleeping areas occupied by the opposite sex.
- Each day will be a busy one, making adequate sleep a necessity. Participants must be in their respective rooms by curfew time. The noise level in the sleeping areas should be kept at a minimum. Scheduled quiet and silent times must be honored. Only the Program Director can alter curfew times or the timing of any other scheduled activity.
- There will be **zero tolerance** for any drugs, alcohol, or weapons. We reserve the right to search guests' belongings if we have reason to believe these items are in their possession. We will call parents for immediate pick-up of any child possessing or under the influence of these items. The reason for this policy is to keep all guests safe and protected. Major infractions of the *Code of Behavior* will be met with the same consequences.

**Parent or Guardian**: I agree that my child shall abide by the rules and regulations outlined in the Confirmation Retreat *Code of Behavior*. I have reviewed it and discussed the *Code* with my child prior to signing this form. I agree that if my child fails to consistently abide by the *Code* or engages in a serious infraction of the *Code*, he or she may be immediately dismissed from the Confirmation Retreat program and sent home at my expense.

Parent/Guardian Signature	Date
Youth Participant: I understand and agree to the Confirmation parent(s) or guardian will be notified at the time of any infracti will be sent home at my own or their expense. (Your signature Confirmation Retreat program.)	ions requiring my dismissal from the program and that I
Youth Signature	Date



## Medical History and Release Form for Minors

Child's Name:First Middle	Last		_Birth date:	Sex: Age:
Parent or Guardian:			Relationship:	
Home Phone: ()	Cell Phone: ()		Other Phone: ()	Optional
Second Parent or Guardian:			Relationship:	
Home Phone: ()	Cell Phone: ()		Other Phone: ()	Ontinent
Emergency Contact Name:				
Home Phone: ( )	Cell Phone: ()		Other Phone: ()	Ontional
Please be aware of my child's physical condition:  ADD/ADHD Asthma Diabetes Epilepsy	Heart condition Eye, Ear, Nose, Throa		Please Explain	_
Allergies:      Hay Fever     Poison Oak/lvy     Bees     Other insects/animals	Other Drugs P Peanuts			
My Child has the following Medical Concerns / Lin  Chronic Illness / Injury:			Other concerns:	
□ Activity Restrictions:			Current Medications:	
☐ Dietary Restrictions:				
My child may be given over the counter medication  Please contact me first!		adryl, etc):	□ No	
Other suggestions, documents or health-related i		ersonnel:		
Additional document(s) attached?Check if yes				
Immunization History: Please give date of last im	munization or attach a c	opy of the	record.	
Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertusis (DPT)	Polio		Flu	
Haemophilus Influenzae type b (Hib)	Hepatitis A		Meningococcal	<del> </del>
Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)	Hepatitis B		Varicella	
Pneumococcal	Chicken Pox			
Name of Physician:			Phone:	
Family Health Insurance Carrier:			Policy #:	
Authorization: This health history is correct to the best of my knowle the medical personnel selected by the camp administ purposes; and to provide or arrange necessary related professional selected by the camp administration photocopied and the photocopy may be used for all professional selected.	tration to order X-Rays, re ed transportation for my c to secure and administ	outine tests, hild if I cann	and treatment; to release any records n ot be reached in an emergency. I give p	ecessary for insurance ermission to the health
Camp staff is CPR, First Aid and AED certified. I und other medical need that necessitates staff seeking original bottle upon arrival. CAMP WILL NOT ACCEPT	outside help or calling 91	11.Camper n	medication must be checked in with the	
I accept full responsibility for any injury my child might to pick up my child at anytime from camp if asked to		amp activitie	es. I will provide my own health and accid	dent insurance. I agree
Signature of Parent/Guardian:			Date: _	
I also understand and agree to abide by the restrictio			_	
Signature of Minor:			Date:	



Whispering Winds Catholic Conference Center, Inc. ("WW") is a non-profit corporation that owns and operates the Whispering Winds Camp, 17606 Harrison Park Road, Julian, California 92036. In order to keep our operating costs reasonable, we ask all visitors, guests, volunteers and users of the camp, and the parents of all minor camp users, to sign this Waiver & General Release ("Agreement"). By signing this Agreement, you are waiving and generally releasing all present and future claims against WW, except for claims arising out of the gross negligence or intentional misconduct of WW.

#### 1. Definitions:

- **a.** "Associated Persons" means present and former officers, directors, shareholders, partners, members, employees, agents, volunteers, accountants, attorneys, insurance carriers, trustees, beneficiaries, executors, administrators, heirs, predecessors-in-interest, and successors-in-interest. "Associated Entities" means affiliated entities, contractors, subcontractors, material suppliers, and professionals (collectively "AP&AE").
- **b.** "Claims" shall include all claims, rights, demands, damages, liabilities, and causes of action (whether asserted, unasserted, known, unknown, contingent, accrued, or otherwise).
- **c.** "Costs" shall include all costs, losses, expenses, attorneys' fees, expert witness fees and other fees, interest, and all other obligations.

#### 2. Waiver and General Release:

On behalf of myself and my AP&AE, (i) I waive all present and future Claims and Costs against WW and its AP&AE, and (ii) I generally release WW and its AP&AE from all present and future Claims and Costs, arising out of or related in any way to my presence on or use of the WW camp, or participation in programs, excepting only such Claims and Costs arising solely and exclusively from WW's gross negligence, or knowing and intentional unlawful conduct.

#### 3. Waiver of Civil Code Section 1542:

I acknowledge that the above Waiver and General Release includes Claims and Costs which I do not know or suspect to exist, and I waive all rights which may exist under California Civil Code Section 1542 which provides as follows: A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him or her must have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor.

#### 4. Photo Release:

I grant WW permission to use my name, likeness, photograph, and voice for all purposes, and without compensation to me.

<u>Participant</u>						
Participant Signature:	Print Name:	Print Name:				
Address:	Date:	Tel:				
Email address of adult:						
Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian (in	Participant is under 18):					
Print Parent Name:	Date:	Tel:				
	ease per adult; for minors in one family, please list)					
Minor Name:	Minor Name:					
Minor Name:	Minor Name:					

#### **Authorization:**

My child has my permission to engage in all camp activities except as noted. I give permission to the medical personnel selected by WW to order X-rays, routine tests, and treatment; to release records necessary for insurance purposes; and to arrange necessary transportation for my child if I cannot be reached in an emergency. I give permission to the physician selected by WW to administer treatment, including hospitalization. This form may be photocopied and the photocopy may be used for all purposes. I accept full responsibility for any injury my child might receive as a result of camp activities. I will provide my own health and accident insurance.

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## **Directions**

## Whispering Winds 17606 Harrison Park Rd Julian, CA 92036

### From San Diego:

I-8 East

Exit Hwy 79 North to Julian

Make a left turn approx. two miles along the highway to stay on 79N

Turn left on Harrison Park Rd (about 4 miles north of Lake Cuyamaca) and follow signs into Whispering Winds

### From North County:

Hwy 78 East (Ash St.) or Hwy 67 North to Hwy 78 East through Ramona to Julian

Turn right on Main St

Turn right on Hwy 79 South

Turn right on Harrison Park Rd (about 4 miles south of Julian) and follow signs into Whispering Winds

## From West Los Angeles County:

I-5 South to 78 East

Turn right on Ash St. / Rte 78

Continue on Hwy 78 East through Ramona to Julian

Turn right on Main St

Turn right on Hwy 79 South

Turn right on Harrison Park Rd (about 4 miles south of Julian) and follow signs into Whispering Winds

## From East Los Angeles County, Riverside:

I-15 or I-215 South to Temecula

Exit Hwy 79 South and turn left

After approx. 60 miles to Santa Ysabel, turn left onto 78 East to Julian

Turn right on Main St

Turn right on Hwy 79 South

Turn right on Harrison Park Rd (about 4 miles south of Julian) and follow signs into Whispering Winds

## From Imperial Valley:

I-8 West to Sunrise Highway

Turn right on Hwy 79 North

Turn left on Harrison Park Rd and follow signs into Whispering Winds