

Permission Form for JUNIOR RETREAT

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of _____

Your son has been invited to participate in a St. Mary's High School sponsored retreat.

Date/Time: November 21, 2019 from 7:30am- 3:00pm

Location: Toddhall Retreat Center, 320 Todd Center Dr, Columbia, IL 62236

Purpose: The retreat is mandatory for all Juniors and is one day off-campus. Led by a team of faculty and staff, this retreat is designed to help juniors listen to God's call in their lives and to discern what God wants from them. This retreat is focused around diversity, human dignity, and Catholic Social Teaching. **LUNCH IS INCLUDED.**

Transportation: Your son will be transported to and from the retreat center by a school bus, and he will be under the direct supervision of the faculty and staff members from St. Mary's High School.

Permission: I am/We are fully aware of the risks and hazards connected with the Activity which I/we understand could lead to bodily injury to Student and/or, among other things, loss or damage to Student's property. In consideration for allowing Student to participate in the Activity, I/we hereby release, waive, discharge and hold harmless St. Mary's High School, the Archdiocese of St. Louis and its affiliates and its and their officers, directors, members, employees, volunteers and agents (hereinafter referred to as "Releasees") from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions and/or causes of action whatsoever arising out of or related to any loss, damage, or bodily injury that Student may sustain, or to any property which I/we/student own, whether caused by the negligence of the Releasees, or otherwise, while participating in the Activity, or in route to or from the destination where the Activity is being conducted, provided that this release and hold harmless shall not apply to the willful misconduct of the Releasees.

Should it be necessary for Student to return home due to medical reasons, disciplinary actions or otherwise, I/we agree to assume all transportation costs, even those in excess of the cost of the return trip as paid for in advance. I/We agree that any film likenesses taken of the Student and any statements made while participating in the Activity may be used in future materials published by St. Mary's High School or news media.

In case of medical emergency, I/we, the undersigned, do hereby request and consent to examination and treatment of Student by any duly licensed medical professional or health care facility, and further accept full financial responsibility for charges for same, including ambulance charges.

IN SIGNING THIS ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND RELEASE AGREEMENT, I/WE ACKNOWLEDGE AND REPRESENT THAT I/WE have read the foregoing Agreement, understand all its provisions, and sign it voluntarily as my/our own free act and deed. I/We warrant that no oral representations, statements, or inducements apart from the foregoing written agreement, have been made.

Parent/ Guardian Name (**Printed**)

Parent/ Guardian **Signature**

Emergency Contact Number

Date

Please include any important medical information that would be helpful to know for this trip including medications that your son is currently taking (name of medication, frequency and amount of dose). Any medications should be packaged in a bottle with student's name, the name of medication, and written dosage instructions from a physician. Medications must be turned into an adult upon arriving for retreat.

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WHEN IS IT? Thursday November 21st, 2019. **Students need to arrive at school at 7:45am. Students will return to school at 3:00 pm.**

WHERE IS IT? Toddhall Retreat Center-- 320 Todd Center Dr, Columbia, IL 62236. In the event of an emergency, parents should contact (618) 281-8180.

WHAT DO I WEAR? You may dress down for retreat day. You **MUST** wear clothing that is appropriate for school; students should dress **in layers** for a fall day.

WHAT SHOULD I EXPECT? Expect a day of challenge, relaxation, and fun with classmates and faculty members. You will spend half of your time learning about your classmates and sharing your stories. You will spend the other half of your time encountering God in various prayer experiences. Coming with an open mind and a willingness to challenge yourself to participate in the activities of the day is the best way to prepare for retreat. **DON'T** come feeling as though you won't get anything out of the day because you aren't sure about where you stand with God. This is a day for reflecting about where you are and where you want to be.

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WHAT DO I EAT?! Lunch and a beverage will be **provided** by Toddhall!

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