

Dear Parent or Guardian,

I pray that the school year is going well for your son or daughter. Due to the cancellations and postponements that this senior class has experienced the past two years, Bishop Snyder's Campus Ministry is planning **two** retreats for them this year! The first is a one-day retreat on November 19th. The second will be an overnight retreat next semester.

The Senior Day Retreat is Friday, November 19th at the University of North Florida Osprey Challenge Course.

General Schedule of the Day:

-8:30 a.m. Seniors meet at UNF Osprey Challenge Course.

Please mark on the permission slip (page 1) if the student will need a parking permit.

-9:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Seniors will have the opportunity to rotate through four stations:
-low ropes challenges
-high ropes course
-spiritual reflection
-lake activities (such as kayaking and canoeing).

(We will provide lunch around 11:00 a.m.)

-2:30 p.m. Seniors will be dismissed from the retreat.

Retreat Permission Slips and Fees

There are **THREE permission slips for this retreat**.

They are all included at <u>this link</u>. The first page is from the diocese, the second is to participate in the course at UNF, and the third is a photo release from UNF. All forms must be signed by the parent.

The retreat fee is \$50.

This includes the ropes course, retreat, snack, drinks, and lunch. In order to organize everything in a timely fashion, I will need the completed **permission slips and the \$50 fee no later than November 15th**.

What to Wear for the Retreat:

For the retreat the students must wear appropriate attire which includes athletic shoes and shorts or joggers. Students must wear a Morning Star t-shirt, such as their PE shirt or another school t-shirt. We are currently working on getting senior t-shirts. In the event of cooler weather, a sweatshirt or jacket may be worn. Regarding length of shorts, when the student is standing with arms hanging loosely at his or her sides, fingertips must be touching material. Students may bring a change of clothes in case they get wet during the lake activities. They may also bring bug spray, sunscreen, and a hat if they choose.



Because we are a Catholic school, class retreats are mandatory. Thank you for your support as we plan engaging opportunities for your student to strengthen relationships with classmates and with Jesus Christ.

If you have any questions about this Senior Day, please feel free to contact me at <u>ecarter@morningstar-jax.org</u> or Mrs. Gallagher at any time at <u>joygallagher@bishopsnyder.org</u>.

In Christ's Peace and Love, *Mrs. Joy Gallagher* Director of Campus Ministry

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