

CHAPERONE GUIDELINES

Thank you for your interest in accompanying a group of young people to St. Leo Abbey Retreat Center. We hope that this retreat will be a very positive experience for teens and adults alike.

We ask that, as an adult chaperone, you be with your group of teens at ALL TIMES or at least be aware of their whereabouts during the entire day. Remember your youth are the representatives of your Catholic youth program and guests of the Benedictine Monks.

- While at the Retreat Center, you are responsible for both the needs and behavior of the teens entrusted to your care. Please pay close attention to both. If problems arise, please contact any member of the team. You will be responsible for dispensing any medication.
- During any scheduled free time, we have access to several areas that will help make the weekend quite enjoyable. PLEASE BE ALERT TO WHAT IS HAPPENING AROUND YOU. Help make this a safe and fun-filled retreat.
- If you hear language that is not appropriate, please address this immediately. ANY DAMAGES TO THE BUILDINGS, CARPENTERS SHOP, DORMS, UPPER ROOM OR BATHROOMS should be reported to the retreat facilitator IMMEDIATELY!
- Please keep in mind that the Peer Ministry Team is NOT responsible for the actions of the retreatants. The chaperones are responsible for the behavior of those in their care. If you have problems with the Peer Ministers, PLEASE report it to the retreat facilitator IMMEDIATELY!
- Support and enforce the lights out curfew. No one is allowed outside of the building after that time.
- Finally, the Retreat Center Code of Behavior is very important for a problem-free weekend. Please take the time to review it with your teens and let them know you will enforce it.

Again, your interest in volunteering your time to chaperone a group of teens from your parish is deeply appreciated and with the above points in mind, this retreat day promises to be an exciting and meaningful experience for all.