

Tres Rios Youth Retreat (TRYC) will be held February 16-18, 2018 at Prude Ranch. Please return your registration form to the presbytery office before January 15th to guarantee your T-Shirt! Registration begins at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, February 17th. Retreat will begin with Mixer and Group Games at 9:30 p.m.

To register your group for the retreat, please send to the presbytery office:

Registration Form and Registration Fee (\$100) for each participant
Horseback Riding Fee (\$30) for each person that wants to ride
You must bring a completed medical release form to ride!
Please send one check for the entire group

Some important information for adult sponsors:

To ensure that the retreats are both fun, meaningful and safe events for our youth, please make note of the following guidelines (as approved by the presbytery on June 10, 2016) for sponsors:

Policy for Volunteers and Paid Staff

1. As often as practicable, two adults will be assigned to supervise or lead all activities involving children or youth.
2. No person will serve as a teacher or volunteer leader of children or youth activities until an information form is submitted and security background checks have been completed.
3. As often as practicable, all teenage workers or volunteers will be supervised by adults.
4. No fewer than two leaders will be required for all trips and outings.
5. To ensure an adequate level of adult leadership, sponsors for retreats must be at least 21 years of age.
6. To ensure an adequate level of supervision, each group must have one adult sponsor for every six youth. Also each group must have sponsors for both male and female youth, regardless of how many youth in the group. (i.e. if your group has three girls and two boys for the total of five campers, you must have at least two sponsors, one male and one female.) In the event that you do not have the required number of sponsors, it may be possible to combine with another group, as long as arrangements are made before the retreat.
7. Private one-on-one contact between adults and children under the age of 18, and between minors is not permitted. If a personal conference between an adult and child is required, the meeting shall take place in view of other teachers or volunteers.
8. Adult leaders must respect the privacy of youth members in situations such as changing clothes or taking showers on church trips and retreats. Adults should intrude only to the extent that health and safety require. They should also protect their own privacy in similar situations.
9. On trips and presbytery outings adults are not permitted to sleep in the same bed with youth, other than their own child.
10. Appropriate clothing for children, youth and leaders, as determined by the Event Leader, is required for all activities.
11. Discipline used in activities should be constructive and reflect Christian values. Corporal punishment is never permitted.
12. Physical hazing and initiations are prohibited and may not be included as part of any activity.
13. Written parental or guardian permission is required for all overnight outings and trips.

Two Adult Rule

In so much as possible, it is our goal that a minimum of two unrelated adult workers will be in attendance at all times when children are being supervised during our programs, activities and travel to and from events. Some youth classes may have only one adult teacher in attendance during the class session; in these instances, doors to the classroom should remain open and there should be no fewer than three students with the adult teacher. We do not allow minors to be alone with one adult on our premises or in any sponsored activity unless in a counseling situation.

The following release forms are attached:

1. Liability release form
2. Authorization and consent to emergency medical treatment form
3. Publicity release
4. Youth covenant

If you have any questions, please call Theresa at the presbytery office.

What to bring:

Bible, sleeping bag, pillow, towel, toiletries, warm and cold weather clothing, walking/hiking shoes, flashlight, spending money.