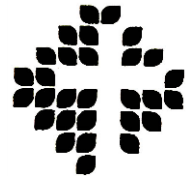


## Saskatchewan Mennonite Youth Organization

December 11, 2017



**Dear Senior High Youth, Parents, Youth Sponsors, and Pastors;**

Sr. High Retreat 2018 is right around the corner, and we hope you and your youth are planning to join us for another great weekend of music, games, worship, and fun of all kinds!

This year's retreat will take place **January 26-28, 2018**, at **Shekinah Retreat Centre**, and is open to **youth in grades 9-12**, and their sponsors. While we were certainly happy to try to things and new places last year, we're looking forward to the cozy familiarity of Shekinah once more.

Our speaker for the retreat will be **Catherine Richard**, a Canadian Mennonite alumni and former recruitment officer. After working at making connections between CMU and our province, she made the decision to find a constant place to stay in Saskatchewan! She's now teaching piano and working for St Mary's Parish in Saskatoon. She's very excited to see some familiar faces and share her experiences on the theme, *Answering Your Call*.

Along with session times, the retreat will also feature worship led by the Schellenberg band, a fabulous rep or two from Canadian Mennonite University, games of all kinds, a coffeehouse, and some down time to chill and hang out after a week of exams!

Because sponsors are also a big part of what makes this weekend possible, *every church or group sending youth is asked to send an accompanying sponsor*. However, if your church has difficulty finding a sponsor for your youth please contact Katie Wiebe at the Youth Ministry Office. We do not want this to become restrictive; all are welcome, and this includes non-Mennonite friends your youth might have as well!

Registration form is available on reverse. For an event poster or more information contact Katie at 306-249-4844, [youthminister@mcsask.ca](mailto:youthminister@mcsask.ca), or check out [www.smyo.ca](http://www.smyo.ca).

Take Care,

*Katie Wiebe*

Interim Youth Programmer  
Mennonite Church Saskatchewan

## Tentative Schedule

### Friday, Jan. 26

7:30-8 pm - Arrival/Registration  
 8:00 - Mixer Games  
 8:45 - Introduction Session  
 10:00 - Night Lunch  
 11:00 - Walk-A-Mile  
 12:00 - Bedtime

### Saturday, Jan. 27

#### Morning Activity

8:30 am - Wake-Up Call  
 9:00 - Breakfast  
 10:00 - Singing/Session  
 12:00 pm - Lunch  
 2:00 - Curling Tournament  
 4:00 - Free Time  
 5:30 - Supper  
 7:30 - Singing/Session  
 10:15 - Coffeehouse  
 12:00 - Bedtime

### Sunday, Jan. 28

#### Morning Activity

9:00 - Wake-Up Call  
 9:30 - Breakfast  
 10:30 - Singing / Session  
 12:00 pm - Lunch  
 1:00 - Clean-up / Departure

### You should know:

When you register for the Sr. High Retreat you are committing yourself to abide by the following guidelines:

- \* No alcohol, tobacco, or illegal drugs
- \* Attend all the group sessions and activities
- \* No visiting people of the opposite gender in their rooms
- \* Use of cell phones, iPods, etc., is to be kept to an absolute minimum – maybe just leave it at home!
- \* At lights out, everyone is in his or her room
- \* Retreats are a time to be yourself, but please remember, your behaviour should show respect to everyone around you.
- \* No improper use of property

### Please bring:

**\*\* YOU SHOULD ACTUALLY BRING ALL OF THESE THINGS! \*\***

Sleeping bag & pillow, towels & toiletries (toothbrush, etc.), Bible, warm clothes, boots, toques, parkas and mitts, inside footwear, water bottles, flashlights, instruments, and your fabulous self – leave the homework behind!

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## Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: M \_\_\_ F \_\_\_

Full Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Hospitalization #: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor at Retreat: \_\_\_\_\_

**Cost:** Youth: \$140 \_\_\_ Sponsors: \$140 \_\_\_ Late: \$150 \_\_\_

*\*Note: This is non-refundable after January 19\**

\_\_\_ I would like to be considered to receive help from the Retreat Aid fund (*will be contacted for further info*)

**Mail to: SMYO Sr. High Retreat**

600 45<sup>th</sup> Street West

Saskatoon, SK S7L 5W9

**Fax to:** 306 249-4441

**Email to:** youthminister@mcsask.ca

**Make cheques payable to MC Sask**

Memo: *Sr. High Retreat*

*I give permission for my child to attend and fully participate in the Sr. High Retreat Jan. 26- 28, 2018. I further designate retreat staff to act on my behalf in authorizing emergency and/or routine medical care for \_\_\_\_\_.*

*I understand all reasonable safety precautions will be taken at all times during the events and activities. I understand the possibility of unforeseen hazards and know the inherent possibility of risk. I agree not to hold SMYO, its leaders, employees, and volunteer staff liable for damages, losses, diseases, or injuries incurred by the youth named above.*

*I also give permission for my youth to be photographed.  Yes  No  Internal, MC Sask, purposes only (i.e. not online)*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Participant (if 18 or over): \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_