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Dear Trailblazer & family,

We're so glad that you're going to be a part of the first ever Trailblazer Retreat! With new things come plenty of questions, so we would like to share some information about the Retreat.

Strong Tower Ranch (STR) seeks to be a safe place where kids may experience refuge from the cares of the world and be strengthened, refreshed and equipped. Toward that goal, the Trailblazer Retreat will be a time of intentional respite from the norm. To achieve that safe, peace-filled environment:

- **Camper Drop Off - Tuesday, July 30 at 8:00 am**
 - Girls - Wilderness Cabin
 - Guys - Ministry House
 - *Look for signs, balloons & greeters for each location after you turn onto Blattner Road.*
 - *The road to the Wilderness Cabin is a left before the small bridge on Blattner. If you go across the little bridge you've gone too far.*
- **Camper Pick Up - Friday, August 2 at 10:00 am**
 - Girls - Wilderness Cabin
 - Guys - Ministry House
- If a camper leaves STR at any time during the Retreat they may NOT return.
- All overnight counselors will be 18 and over and will be led by mature (even older) adults.
- ALL electronic devices, including cell phones, are to be left at home.
- A list of emergency contact phone numbers will be provided in the event you must contact your camper.

What to expect at the Retreat:

- All normal Day Camp activities - such as horseback riding, swimming, zip lining, crafts and more coupled with our yummy camp meals and snacks.
- Plus Retreat Additions - breakfast and morning gatherings, night time fireside devotionals and worship, additional small group time and some fun new middle school only activities. And, extra time to bond and develop community.

We will have a full schedule from dawn to after dusk, so your camper will likely come home physically tired, but otherwise built up from a week of experiencing the love of Christ.

In Him,
The Strong Tower Team

PACKING LIST

> THE BASICS

- Clothing - shorts, shirts, socks, underwear, pj's, pants & a hoodie
- Shoes - 1 or 2 pairs of tennis shoes or similar for running/playing games & slides or flip flops (if you have them) for the shower house
- Swimsuit (1 piece for girls preferred) & beach towel
- Bath towel & washcloth
- Toiletries - toothpaste/brush, soap, shampoo/conditioner, deodorant
-- whatever you need to be ready for the day :)
- Sunscreen & bug spray
- Medication - ANY required by the camper - will be maintained by staff
- Twin bedding - pillow, plus sheets & blanket or a sleeping bag*
- Bible*

**If you don't have one and/or both of these, please email tpenney@stranch.org as STR will supply as needed.*

> OPTIONAL

- Camp chair
- Rain jacket
- Refillable water bottle - camper will receive a small STR one (see below)
- Snacks beyond those provided - NO nuts please & be willing to share
- Goggles, dirty clothes bag, hat, sunglasses, any extras you have to have

> WHAT NOT TO BRING

- Electronic devices - such as phones, computers, gaming devices
 - Weapons
 - Cash, irreplaceable keepsakes
 - Energy drinks
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PROVIDED BY STR

- Tuesday - lunch, dinner & 2 snacks
- Wednesday & Thursday - breakfast, lunch, dinner & 2 snacks
- Friday - breakfast only
- Camp backpack & water bottle
- Camp t-shirt