



**Jterm 2025**  
**Local, On-Campus, and Team Experience**  
**Course Offerings**

Welcome to January Term 2025!

Our January term sessions (Jterm) increase opportunities for learning and exploration that challenge our students in areas of interest and also encourage deeper faculty-student relationships through enrichment electives, educational travel, service, mission trips, and Career Experience Opportunities (CEO).

The **Middle School Jterm** program (grades 6-8) is designed to cultivate spiritual, educational, and personal growth in each student. Each middle school grade participates in a unified Jterm experience allowing students a unique and developmentally appropriate time of experiential learning and class bonding. Students are automatically registered for these experiences. More detailed information will be forthcoming from the leaders of these experiences.

- **Excelerate** - Grade 6 - this three-day adventure challenges students academically, socially, and spiritually as they begin to look toward the seventh grade.
- **Elevate** - Grade 7 - this retreat picks up where JumpStart left off and gives students a great opportunity to bond as a class, deepen friendships, try new things, and develop a closer relationship with God.
- **Prepare to Believe** - Grade 8 - students travel through history, as described by God in the Bible, as they explore the Creation Museum and the Ark Encounter. The trip concludes with a stop at the National Air Force Museum.

Participation in Jterm is a CVCA graduation requirement for all high school students. **High school students must enroll in one of the following options:**

- All-day class session
- Morning (AM) and afternoon (PM) class session - creating a full-day experience for the week
- Career Experience Opportunity
- Trip

**Jterm registration opens for Seniors (priority) on Sunday afternoon, September 22, 2024,** followed by **Juniors**, and then **Sophomores and Freshmen**. Registration and payments are completed online. Parents will receive a text alert notifying them to check email for the Jterm link on the day of registration.

**Athletic Note:** Winter **athletes** are expected to select a local Jterm opportunity, in order to participate in practices and games as outlined in the *Student/Parent Handbook*, provided their team is not offering a team Jterm. Any questions or concerns regarding this policy should be directed to the athletic department. *Boys and girls basketball have opportunities available in 2025 for their team members.*

We encourage you to spend time together as a family exploring the course offerings and discussing which options might be both beneficial and financially feasible for your child. The costs and details for each opportunity are listed in this document.

**Important note:** CVCA reserves the right to cancel classes that do not meet the minimum enrollments. Please make your Jterm selections carefully. **Registrations cannot be switched.**

**Student registrations made before their designated registration time will be canceled.**

# Jterm On-Campus Course Offerings and Athletic Team Trip Overview

## January 6-10, 2025

<b>Students choose both an AM/PM class or an All-day Local/On-campus course offering</b> Athletes in season are expected to select a local Jterm opportunity from the lists below so they can participate in practices and games as outlined in the Student/Parent Handbook. Any questions or concerns regarding this policy should be directed to the Athletic Department.		
AM – Morning Sessions 7:50 - 10:50 a.m. Lunch - 11 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.	PM – Afternoon Sessions 11:50 a.m - 2:50 p.m.	ALL-DAY – Local/On-Campus Sessions 7:50 a.m. – 2:50 p.m. daily with a break for lunch
Best Movies of History	Album Club	Engineering Extravaganza
Biblical Manhood - guys only	Art With a Purpose	Lifeguarding
Calligraphy	Backyard Tourist	Rediscovering Cleveland
Coffee and Cathedrals	Crossfit Camp	Theatre in Five
Crochet Crew	Driving Education	Career Experience Opportunity (CEO)
Evangelical Elf-land: Christianity and Lord of the Rings	Flip This Classroom	Athletic Team Experiences
Games Galore - AM	Games Galore - PM	Boys Basketball Trip
History of Christian Hip Hop - guys only	Hiking in the CVNP	Girls Basketball Trip
iLab Innovations	Holy Smokes	By Invitation Only
Jewels and Beads - girls only	Memoirs	Middle School Mentor (gr 11-12)
Jterm Media Team	Read, Relax, Repeat	
Lies Young Women Believe - girls only	Replay for Adaptive Toy Workshop	
Ninja Warrior	Strength and Conditioning	
Storytelling of Pixar	Teacher for a Day	
Worship Writing		

# AM/PM Local On-Campus

Students select **one AM** and **one PM** class creating a daily experience for Jterm week

## AM - MORNING OFFERINGS

### **Best Movies of History - AM**

**Leader: Mr. J Peters**

**Cost: \$20**

**Grades: 9-12**

This offering would take a selection of the "best of the best" history movies, view and review, discuss, and compare, actual history with these cinematic masterpieces. If you love movies and history, love discussion, art, debate, and want to get an appreciation for the context of the world of movies, history, then this class would be a musty for you.

### **Biblical Manhood - AM**

**Leader: Mr. R Carroscia**

**Cost: \$25**

**Grades: 9-12 (Boys Only)**

The objective of the course is to discuss and study the topic of Biblical Manhood, comparing and contrasting what the world and what the Bible has to say about manhood. The focus will be to answer the question: "What does it mean to be a man?" The course will provide timeless truths and practical insights on how we can live to be the men God intended for us to be. To develop men who are committed to follow the courageous footsteps of Jesus into authentic manhood; men who will reject passivity, accept responsibility, lead courageously and expects the greater reward (invest eternally). The book from which those 4 cornerstones of manhood come from is, Raising a Modern-Day Knight, by author-pastor Robert Lewis; he shares a unique approach to shaping a boy into a man by equipping him with three essential elements: a vision, a code of conduct, and a cause (Christianity) in which to invest his life. Also will include discussion about the book: Thoughts for Young Men by J.C. Ryle and Tim Keller's Thoughts on Self Forgetfulness.

### **Calligraphy - AM**

**Leader: Mrs. S Oster**

**Cost: \$80**

**Grades: 9-12**

Learn the art of calligraphy lettering! This class will give you the opportunity to observe and admire handwritten manuscripts and illuminated lettering. We will learn and practice the intricacies of traditional lettering techniques as well as an introduction to contemporary hand-lettering formats. With step-by-step lessons, practice templates, and a range of stunning alphabets, you will be guided through traditional calligraphy techniques as well as contemporary hand-lettering art forms such as brush lettering for a well-rounded approach to the art. You will receive your own tools, such as pens, nibs, brushes, inks, and papers, and you will learn the optimal hand positioning and understanding of lettering angles, heights, spacing, and strokes. You will be inspired to be a lettering enthusiast, strengthening your existing skills as well as delve into new variations.

## **Coffee and Cathedrals - AM**

**Leader:** Mrs. T Smith, Mrs. M Perrow

**Cost:** \$60

**Grades:** 9-12

Do you enjoy coffee? Do you take interest in the rich history of 19th century-built churches in Northeast Ohio? Do you enjoy deep discussion on the significance of these architectural triumphs in our own backyard? Do you wish there was a way to partake in all of these things within the span of one week? Well now is your chance! Please join us for Coffee and Cathedrals. During this exciting course, we will tour and explore a different historic church in the Northeast Ohio area and follow it up with a fresh cup of Joe at a local coffee shop. Students should bring at least \$5 per day to purchase coffee.

## **Crochet Crew - AM**

**Leader:** Mrs. C Chizmar

**Cost:** \$20

**Grades:** 9-12

Do you enjoy snuggling under a warm blanket on a cold day? Crochet Crew partners with a charity called Warm Up America to create 7" x 9" rectangles which will be shipped to their headquarters and assembled by volunteers into blankets that they donate to homeless shelters, women's shelters, and families in need all over the US. Expert crocheters and newbies alike are welcome to join us for a fun few days of creating something beautiful and practical to serve those in need.

## **Evangelical Elf-land: Christianity and the Lord of the Rings Films - AM**

**Leader:** Mr. N Nussen

**Cost:** \$10

**Grades:** 9-12

The Lord of the Rings (LOTR) film trilogy is perhaps the most impressive cinematic achievement of the 20th century. Moreover, these films, based on the famous books by the Christian author J.R.R. Tolkien, are also rich with Christian themes and lessons. In this course, students will watch the LOTR trilogy and discuss and analyze the films from a Christian perspective, while learning about Tolkien himself, the literary group to which he belonged (the Inklings, which included his friend C.S. Lewis), and his Gospel-centered philosophy of literature, as expressed in works such as his essay "On Fairy Stories."

## **Games Galore - AM**

**Leader:** Faculty Fellows

**Cost:** \$50

**Grades:** 9-12

**Note:** *students must select only the AM or PM option*

If you get excited about the idea of playing games such as Scattergories, Mad Gab, or Apples to Apples, come spend some time with other students to strategize, compete, and win! Games may include card games, dice games, puzzles, and more. All competitors are welcome, but you must be a "team player" in order to succeed.

## **History of Christian Hip Hop - AM**

**Leader: Mr. S Johnson**

**Cost: \$10**

**Grades: 9-12 (boys only)**

Hip-hop has become a universal culture. Something that started out of poor black and brown neighborhoods in the Bronx has made it around the world! Like all things due to sin there is brokenness within it, that's why the sub genre of Christian Hip Hop is needed and dope! If you want to know more about the history of hip hop and more importantly Christian Hip Hop from The Cross Movement to current day come check out this Jterm hangout! We will listen to music, look at the history, and see where CHH is going in the future!

## **iLab Innovations – AM**

**Leader: Mr. N Su, Mr. B Weber**

**Cost: \$75**

**Grades: 9-12**

Did you know CVCA has a new iLab? Have you been excited to get there but haven't been able to give up your PRT time? Or maybe you've been to the ILab often and just can't get enough? Either way, this class is for you. We will be offering a variety of projects for students to choose from and create. Whether you want to make a t-shirt, 3D print, laser engrave or more, the ILab is the place to be for Jterm.

## **Jewels and Beads - AM**

**Leader: Miss S Runyon**

**Cost: \$60**

**Grades: 9-12 (girls only)**

Do you enjoy the beauty of jewelry? Would you like to create earrings, bracelets, and possibly a necklace that all are more than just stringing some beads on elastic or thread? They will be fun to wear and they will also make wonderful gifts! We will be working with needles, "Fireline" (fishing) thread, and some beautiful patterns for our jewelry. Swarovski crystals will be used in making many of our works of art. You will learn how to cut and prepare thread which you will use for our jewelry. You will begin by making a bracelet using Swarovski crystals and pearls. The patterns will increase in detail and in steps, and will clearly enable you to create intricate designs. Possible projects also include simply lengthening bracelet patterns to create necklaces.

## **Jterm Media Team – AM**

**Leader: Mr. C Abell**

**Cost: \$50**

**Grades: 10-12**

Are you ready to unleash your creativity, make new friends, and have a blast while producing awesome media content? Look no further than the Jterm Media Team! Students within this Jterm will team up to provide extensive media coverage (photo and video) of all local Jterm offerings. Preference will be given to students who have taken Yearbook, Photography or Video Media.

## **Lies Young Women Believe - AM**

**Leader: Mrs. S Gabler**

**Cost: \$20**

**Grades: 9-12 (girls only)**

We live in a world that is inundating us with all kinds of messages and it is difficult to listen to the right voices. In this study we will look at lies most commonly believed and how to overcome the ones you may believe about yourself.

## **Ninja Warrior - AM**

**Leader: Mrs. C Thompson, Mr. N Thompson**

**Cost: \$150**

**Grades: 9-12**

Train like an American Ninja Warrior! Each day consist of an hour-long class along with free time and obstacle exploration. Nicole Bann, owner and head coach of Super Ninja Zone, is our class instructor each day. Nicole is certified by the UNAA (Ultimate Ninja Athlete Association), a Certified Youth Fitness Trainer, Certified Personal Trainer, CPR and First Aid Certified. Classes consist of stretching, warm ups, exercises, lessons, and hands-on attempts of the obstacles. This course includes a focus on learning skills and techniques within the sport such as how to do jumps and transfers, and technique on swinging/hanging obstacles. Verbiage used within the sport such as Lock Offs, Parkour, and Laches is also taught in this class. Lessons on safety, upper body, lower body, stations, and competition as well as segments about the names of muscle groups, nutrition advice, and how to achieve more confidence and maintain a positive attitude. Through positive reinforcement, Super Ninja fosters a growth mindset for its students.

## **Storytelling of Pixar - AM**

**Leader: Mr. T Paisley**

**Cost: \$10**

**Grades: 9-12**

When it comes to great films that keep it PG, no one does it better than Pixar. That's because their writers employ all the elements of great storytelling that epic poets, playwrights, and novelists have used for millennia, but in a way that is accessible and enjoyable to young kids, their older siblings, and even their parents. Each day of this mini-term, we will explore a different story element (such as story structure or character development), then enjoy a Pixar film that exemplifies that story element. Through this experience, you will come to an even greater appreciation of the storytelling of Pixar.

## **Worship Writing - AM**

**Leader: Mr. C Hubbell**

**Cost: \$10**

**Grades: 9-12**

Want to know what makes good worship and good songwriting? Join us for a look at some of the best worship music ever written (past and present) and begin working through how to write your own lyrics, drum beats, melodies, guitar riffs, and more! Our goal is to create songs of praise meaningful to us individually that we can share with others! Past music experience is encouraged but not necessary.

## **PM - AFTERNOON OFFERINGS**

### **Album Club - PM**

**Leader:** Mr. D Bee

**Cost:** \$75

**Grades:** 9-12

Calling all rock n' roll fans! Lovers of vinyl records! Music nerds! History buffs! Album Club is for you. For this Jterm experience, we will spend each day listening to 2 significant rock records from the past 7 decades. We will learn about the recording process, influence, cultural impact and significance of these albums as they helped shape and define each musical era and rock music as a genre. We will even visit the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame! Working our way toward the 2010's, we will explore a comprehensive history of the progression of rock, listening to legendary albums such as Abbey Road, Dark Side of the Moon, Remain in Light, and OK Computer. Come learn and enjoy the value of physical media with us at Album Club.

### **Art With a Purpose - PM**

**Leader:** Mrs. K McSparran, Miss S Slovisky

**Cost:** \$100

**Grades:** 9-12

Art is healing. During Jterm, we will create artwork with a specific ministry in mind. As a group, we will work together to start, finish, and deliver art projects to a local non-profit in need. God is the ultimate creator and as His image bearers we will create art to serve our community. This course offering is good for students who want to stay local and are willing to work hard and use their gifts for the Kingdom.

### **Backyard Tourist - PM**

**Leader:** Mrs. M Riordan

**Cost:** \$100

**Grades:** 9-12

Northeastern Ohio has a lot of great places to visit, but oftentimes, we take them for granted, meaning to see them "one day." Make "one day" happen in January 2025! With a combination of guided tours, presentations, and individual or small-group exploration, we'll visit a different place each afternoon (Rock and Roll and Pro Football Halls of Fame, Cleveland and Akron Art Museums, Lock 3 Winterblast). Come explore the sightseeing opportunities in our own backyard! Prerequisites: an open mind, an enthusiastic spirit, and an interest in learning more about a variety of area attractions.

Note: No additional costs but we visit places that have gift shops and/or snack bars, students may want to bring additional money for these.

### **CrossFit Camp - PM**

**Leader:** Mrs. A Chamberlain

**Cost:** \$100

**Grades:** 9-12

Kick off the year with a 5-day course on fitness and living a healthy lifestyle with Crossfit Camp! Each class will introduce the movement standards, include a strength-training session as well as a Crossfit WOD (Workout Of the Day), mobility work, and a recovery snack while we discuss various fitness-related topics. New to Crossfit? No problem; we'll work with you! Experienced in the gym? Be ready to challenge yourself! There's something for everyone in Crossfit.

Note: Appropriate athletic wear, tennis shoes, and water bottle required.



## **Driving Education - PM**

**Leader:** DriveTeam

**Cost:** \$895

**Grades:** 9-12 (Students must have learner's permit by the start of Jterm)

**Advisory:** Students **must** attend a two-day "Vehicle Dynamics Course Hands-On Skills Training in a Controlled Environment" (*Mandatory Skills Weekend - January 4-5, 2025*).

\*Cost of course covers the entire DriveTeam Package, not just the 5 days of Jterm. *Please note: Due to the State of Ohio requirements for classroom hours, this class will meet Monday-Friday, from 11:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. each day of Jterm.*

Drive Team offers a four-level, state-licensed program that far exceeds Ohio's minimum requirements for driver education. Students will complete the "Academics of Driving" portion of the program during Jterm. Lessons will focus on traffic laws, traffic signs, and the responsibilities of driving. A workbook is provided. After Jterm, DriveTeam will arrange with individual students for the "On the Road, In-Car Instruction" portion of the program; this will be followed by the "Exit Appointment."

**DriveTeam** is a local provider of Performance Based Driver Education for teens. They teach and train each student until he or she is ready to "solo" as a safe driver. More information about the company can be found at [DriveTeam](#).

## **Flip this Classroom - PM**

**Leader:** Mrs. L Cowley

**Cost:** \$80

**Grades:** 9-12

Do you have an eye for decorating and organization? Have you ever been seated in a classroom at CVCA and thought what a creative bulletin board or a few posters or wall hangings might do for the learning space? Did you ever wish you could help a teacher organize their classroom and "tidy up" a bit? Let's work together during Jterm to flip a classroom or two and create a more attractive instructional space!

## **Games Galore - PM**

**Leader:** Faculty Fellows

**Cost:** \$50

**Grades:** 9-12

**Note:** *students must select only the AM or PM option*

If you get excited about the idea of playing games such as Scattergories, Mad Gab, or Apples to Apples, come spend some time with other students to strategize, compete, and win! Games may include card games, dice games, puzzles, and more. All competitors are welcome, but you must be a "team player" in order to succeed.

## **Hiking the CVNP - PM**

**Leader:** Mr. C Rupe, Mrs. L Spodnik, Mr. C Eernisse

**Cost:** \$20

**Grades:** 9-12

Hiking the CVNP is an incredible experience to become immersed in God's creation in our own backyard! We will spend each day traveling to a different corner of the Cuyahoga Valley National Park and seeing the wide array of landscapes that are all contained in northeast Ohio. Students will hike areas such as Kendall Lake, Buckeye Trail, Brandywine Falls, and Towpath and will be able to experience God's beauty first-hand.

## **Holy Smokes - PM**

**Leader:** Mr. C Harr, Mr. J Talbert

**Cost:** \$135

**Grades:** 9-12

Mr. Harr has four passions in life; faith, family, fitness, and flames. He'll share his passion for flames with students. Time will be spent exploring, sharing faith, and cooking BBQ. Students will learn how to prepare BBQ and side dishes both on the grill and smoker while hanging out with Mr Harr and Mr Talbert. We will also have a friendly smoked meat competition with judges.

Notes: Bring warm clothes that you won't mind smelling like smoke and may get dirty. Come hungry, we plan to cook and eat something every day!

## **Memoirs - PM**

**Leader:** Miss E Wides

**Cost:** \$15

**Grades:** 9-12

Do you like learning about real people's experiences? Many world-changers and ordinary people have composed inspiring memoirs in all forms: autobiographical books, graphic memoirs, digital recordings, poems and songs, and documentaries. Join us to encounter various examples of captivating memoirs, and experiment with telling a life story in a creative style.

## **Read, Relax, Repeat - PM**

**Leader:** Mrs. R Pykare, Miss M Neufeld

**Cost:** \$150

**Grades:** 9-12

If reading for hours and chatting about what you've read describes your perfect day, join our group of reading enthusiasts! You will have many opportunities to read books of your choice while enjoying snacks in a cozy, relaxing environment. We will also visit independent book vendors and offer our services to a local community bookseller. We'll end the week with an exciting book challenge to kickstart a new year of reading!

## **Replay for Adaptive Toy Workshop - PM**

**Leader:** Mrs. R Martin, Mrs. E Jones

**Cost:** \$50

**Grades:** 9-12

Students will participate in a S.T.E.M. Toy Adaptation Workshop with RePlay for Kids. Students will be shown how to adapt mainstream, battery-powered toys with external switches so that children with disabilities can use them. These adapted toys are then provided for free to agencies that work directly with kids with disabilities.

Students will learn the basics about electronics, problem solving and the needs of children with special needs. Anything we adapt will be donated directly back to those in our community with physical disabilities

### **Strength and Conditioning - PM**

**Leader: Mr. N Cook, Coach Carder**

**Cost: \$20**

**Grades: 9-12**

For the purpose of equipping students for future fitness, better mental health, and current physiological needs - this course will instruct students on proper resistance training techniques, safety measures, and how to develop an effective strength training workout plan.

### **Teacher for a Day – PM**

**Leader: Mrs. N Crocker**

**Cost: \$75**

**Grades: 9-12**

Are you interested in pursuing elementary education or do you just love kids? This Jterm is for you! Get a chance to experience what it is like to be a teacher for the week. We will visit local schools, assist teachers, and create and share lessons with the kids. It will be a fulfilling week for those passionate about kids!

## **All-Day Local On-Campus**

### **Engineering Extravaganza – ALL**

**Leader: Mr. A Chizmar**

**Cost: \$100**

**Grades: 9-12**

Northeast Ohio engineers invent and craft so much of the cutting edge technology and designs that shape our world. From two NASA headquarters within a couple hours of our school, several innovative aeronautical engineering firms, to leaders in skyscraper design and environmental protection, we have so much to learn from these leaders in the field. This Jterm will consist of trips to some of these amazing companies, organizations, and maker spaces where students will both learn from experts and do hands-on engineering of their own.

### **Lifeguarding – ALL**

**Leader: Mrs. Nancy Miller**

**Cost: \$150**

**Grades: 9-12**

Currently, there is a lifeguard shortage. Perhaps a lifeguarding certificate will open the door to many opportunities.(job not guaranteed) Receive the following certifications: Lifeguard Training, CPR for the Professional Rescuer, Automated External Defibrillation (AED), and Blood Borne Pathogens (BBP).

Note: **Students must be 15 by the end of the course.** Students will need to supply their own lunches except for Friday. Students must have an appropriate swimsuit, towel, and water bottle. There is a

preliminary swim test scheduled prior to the class, likely in November. There MAY be some reading/study outside of class time.

### **Rediscovering Cleveland – ALL**

**Leader: Mrs. J Meszaros**

**Cost: \$85**

**Grades: 9-12**

Come join us as we spend five days rediscovering what Cleveland has to offer. There will be something for everyone - local art, culture, shopping, history, outdoor activities, as well as sampling wonderful food from area restaurants. If you have not been to Cleveland or it has been quite some time since your last visit, come along as we experience this amazing city full of educational experiences and fun!

Note: We will be visiting local restaurants for lunch each day, so students will need to bring money Monday-Friday for lunch.

### **Theatre in Five – ALL**

**Leader: Miss L Barbieri, Mr. F Lombardi, Mrs. D King**

**Cost: \$50**

**Grades: 9-12**

Have you ever wanted to learn what goes into putting on a play? Have you ever wanted to try out being on stage, but never got the opportunity? Or are you just a theater enthusiast who loves all things theater? Now is your chance to experience the on-stage and behind-the-scenes magic of The Royal Theatre, with all the fun and none of the stress! Students will be auditioning, costuming, rehearsing, and performing a One Act or series of skits, culminating in an evening performance for friends and family at the end of the week. It will be a wonderful opportunity for students to try something new and gain experience in all aspects of theater!

Note: Students are expected to provide their own lunches each day. Depending on their assigned role in the production, students may be required to provide their own simple costume pieces (example: shoes, a pair of pants, etc.). The Jterm includes a final performance for family and friends on Friday night, so students will remain at school through the afternoon and evening that night to prepare for and clean up from the performance. Dinner will be provided Friday night.

### **Career Experience Opportunity (CEO) – ALL**

**Leader: Mrs. L Staker**

**Cost: \$5**

**Grades: 9-12**

Career Experience Opportunities provide an ideal time for students to observe and learn about a profession by shadowing a host in the local community. This is a chance for students to dive into the working world while considering future educational and vocational choices.

CEO Requirements:

- students arrange one or more host sites for a minimum of 30 hours during Jterm
- display appropriate and professional personal/ social skills at the host site
- participate in the digital classroom during Jterm (expect to answer 2-3 questions daily)
- expect an on-site visit from CVCA faculty or staff during your experience
- write a 2-3 page reflection paper on your CEO

Notes: Students participating in a CEO for Jterm, **must obtain the permission of a host and host site.** Students must be willing to contact potential hosts and share the requirements of a CEO. Consider

contacting family, friends, and church members to see if they have suggestions of possible hosting sites in your career field of interest. ***We do not recommend a CEO under the direct supervision of a parent.*** Students may participate in a CEO during both their junior and senior year provided different host sites are selected.

### **Middle School Mentor (by invitation only) – ALL**

**Leader: Mr. Zach Churchill, Mrs. E Hoffman, Mr. P Muklewicz**

**Cost: \$0**

**Grades: 11-12**

This Jterm opportunity is open to those juniors and seniors invited to serve as mentors on one of the following middle school Jterm experiences.

#### **7th Grade Elevate Retreat**

**Leader: Mr. Z Churchill**

Elevate is a powerful time for 7th graders to experience God, deepen friendships, and have fun in the beautiful environment of Camp Carl. Like JumpStart, Elevate is a very similar retreat and the high school students joining us as middle school mentors have a critically important role. They help us lead worship, facilitate cabin discussions, pray with and support students who are struggling, oversee games and cabin fun, and generally do all they can to ensure that our 7th graders have a fun and impactful experience during Elevate. Basically, the job of the middle school mentor is to be a big brother/big sister to the 7th graders in cabins and to be a role model for them.

#### **8th Grade Prepare to Believe**

**Leader: Mr. P Muklewicz, Mrs. E Hoffman**

Join us as we encourage 8th grade young men and women on a 2-night; 3-day retreat to experience the life-sized Ark Encounter, the Creation Museum, an Indoor Amusement Park, and the US Air Force Museum. You and an alumnus will team up to mentor a small group throughout the day as we explore our identity as God's creation, loved and redeemed by Jesus. Your transportation, hotel stays, and all expenses are free of charge. Believe it. You will make the trip a truly enjoyable and memorable experience for these precious students as they prepare for High School.

# Team Experiences

## Athletic Teams

### **Boys Basketball Team Community Service – Team Experience**

**Leader:** Coach Futch

**Cost:** \$800 (deposit \$250 - balance billed through FACTS)

**Grades:** 9-12 (team members only)

This trip will be a diverse experience of competition and service as our Varsity basketball program will play two games in the Jacksonville, Florida area. We have been in contact with Athletes in Action and The Ronald McDonald house to provide discipleship and service in the North Florida community.

### **Girls Basketball Team Experience – Team Experience**

**Leader:** Coach O'Keefe

**Cost:** \$250

**Grades:** 9-12 (team members only)

We are heading to Kentucky to visit the Ark Encounter and the Creation Museum! Great opportunity to be reminded of the power of God and His creation while enjoying some fellowship as a team!

This Jterm team experience will be January 4-6. We will be staying in a big house in Cincinnati. Pack a sleeping bag or air mattress. We are looking into a service opportunity while in the Cincinnati area.