

# Fifth-Grade Student and Parent Retreat

April 17, 2026

## Why a Retreat?

Community....we were made for community. At Cary Christian School, we have the incredible opportunity to build deep, lasting relationships with our K-12 structure and smaller class sizes. Relationships, however, require intentional focus. This retreat is designed to reach the following goals:

- Provide opportunities for the fifth grade to strengthen relationships with each other through safe, fun activities.
- Provide opportunities for the fifth grade, Class of 2033, to consider their final months of Lower School and learn expectations as they enter sixth grade.
- Provide opportunities for parents to build relationships with other fifth-grade parents and learn what to expect for the upcoming sixth-grade experience.
- Have fun together!

## Details of the Retreat:

- **Date:** Friday, April 17, 2026
- **Time:** 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
- **Place:** Salem Baptist Church (1821 N. Salem St. Apex NC 27523)
- **Attire:** Spirit Wear (Refer to the [Non-Uniform Day Guidelines](#).)

## General Schedule:

- 9:00-9:15 a.m. - Welcome
- 9:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m. - Camp Activities, Snack Break, and Separate Parent/Student Sessions
- 12:00-12:45 p.m. - Lunch
- 12:45-1:30 p.m. - Keys to Success
- 1:30-1:45 p.m. - Closing

As with any field trip, the decision to attend is at the parent's discretion. This retreat is designed for parents to attend with their student for information and supervision purposes. Because the teachers will be traveling on this retreat, there will not be classes at Cary Christian School for fifth grade on this day. We have arranged the time so that you may drop off younger siblings at morning carpool and return to school in time for afternoon carpool.

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