## Transcript

Hello, Middle school Wednesday night. Volunteers. This is everything you need to know for the week of Wednesday, September 6th, 2023. This Wednesday is cookie

night. It is our fall kickoff. We're going to kick off the night with different games. 6th graders are going to play dodgeball. 7th graders are going to play nukum 8th graders are going to do an upfront game. And then after that, we will share some expectations for the kids and I'll give a pep talk to kick the year off. Then we'll have activity time. So girls will go outside and eat cookies. Boys will be in the gym for attendance and we'll have an activity. Then we'll switch. The boils will go outside and grab a cook. And the girls will be inside for some stuff in the gym, and then we're going to close the night with worship through music, so there's not going to be regular small groups this week.

Our first night with small groups will be September 13, so we're really excited for the kickoff reminder.

There's optional 615 prayer. If you want to come to the hideaway, also known as the TV room.

Otherwise, please arrive on time at 6:30. It's important that you are there for the beginning. Of the prom.

Reminder that our fall retreat is September 22 through 24 and we need volunteers to attend to be in the cabins and hanging out, playing the games, experiencing fall retreat with the students. You'll also help during Chapel Sessions lead breakout discussions with the kids and. We shared at our volunteer kickoff that you're not required to attend full retreat, but something like full retreat is going to enhance and deepen your relationships with the students in your small group because you're gonna have so much time with them. We value your presence at far retreat, so we will. Pay for you to attend if you're a volunteer, we'll pay your way for full retreat. If you want to attend, please indicate so by going to the middle school events page. You can click on the register button just like if you were registering for a middle school student and there's a drop down somewhere in there where? You can select. Leader and that's how you can let us know that. You want to attend full retreat and it's going to be a great way to kick off our school year.

I want to reference the how to win as a middle school volunteer. Document this is something we passed out at the volunteer kickoff. It's a way to it's just a resource for you to know what you can do and how you can be an awesome middle school volunteer leader. One thing is show up consistently, be present, and be on time. And please let Jodi know ahead of time. If you're going to. Miss, we know that you're not going to be able to attend every single week. I'm paid to to be there on Wednesday nights, and even I'm not there every single week, but we do hope that missing is an exception. Not a rule. Your consistent attendance is going to show the students it's going to demonstrate to them without you having to speak any words to them. That they matter, that they are important and that you value your connection with them. So please show up consistently and show up on time. It's going to allow you to make the most every week of your investment in middle schoolers, so that's everything you need to know for this week.

Here we go. Let's get going. Thanks for checking in. We'll see you Wednesday night.