Michigan Community College Student Leadership Retreat

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Chris Barry, West Shore CC
Heidi Romero, Muskegon CC
Jamie Vandenburgh, Jackson College
Scott Lakin, Camp Newaygo
Today’s Topics

• Background/Cost
• Location and Facilities
• Agenda for the Retreat
• Recruiting
• Transportation
• Questions
Background and Cost
Chris Barry, West Shore Community College

- Fall 2022: West Shore President pitched to other MI presidents
  - Work with other campuses and MCCA
  - Hold inaugural retreat in Sept. for 150 MI CC students
  - Fundraise cost or lodging, food, camp staff
  - Only expense for colleges/students is transportation to the retreat
**Who:** 3-7 student leaders from their college and staff/faculty point of contact

**When:** Friday evening through Sunday morning. September 15-17, 2023

**Goal:** help students learn leadership, collaboration, problem-solving, communication, advocacy, and diversity skills in an active outdoor environment.

**Cost:** no cost to the college except transportation to Camp Newaygo (5333 South Centerline Road, Newaygo, MI 49337)
Location and Facilities
Scott Lakin, Director of Programs
Camp Newaygo
Location and Facilities

- Lodging options
- Accessibility considerations
- Dietary overview
• The event starts on Friday, September 15th at 1pm and ends on Sunday, September 17th at 1:15pm.
• Friday's activities include staff arrival, check-in, open activities, dinner, keynote speaker, and evening program.
• Saturday's activities include breakfast, plenary session, breakout sessions, lunch, leadership cohort meetings, and evening program.
• Sunday's activities include breakfast, leadership cohort meeting, college mission advocacy, lunch, and a closing speaker.
• Throughout the event, there will be various recreational activities, facilitated discussions.
Recruiting
Heidi Romero, Muskegon Community College

- Welcome Week - incoming Freshman, returning students
- Campus-student government, student clubs, student life director,
- Orientation, TRIO programs
- Word of mouth
- Faculty recommendations
- Early College programs
Transportation
Jamie Vandeburgh, Jackson College

• Renting a charter bus with another school
• Making use of campus vehicles

Camp Newaygo address:
5333 South Centerline Road, Newaygo, MI 49337
Ask

• Identify 3-7 students to participate
• Share with Ashley how many are coming and who the point of contact is from your institution (more than one is fine!)

• Deadlines:
  • August 11 final headcount
  • Sept 1 dietary needs and accommodations
Questions?

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