

# FAMILY RECOVERY WEEKEND INFORMATION

Every month on the second full weekend of each month, or as otherwise specified, family members, friends, and fiancées (who have been approved) are invited to participate in Family Recovery Weekend. This event has been designed to include the whole family in the process of recovery. Family Recovery Weekend allows a time for fellowship, education and spiritual renewal for the entire family. The weekend will create a great opportunity for family members to seek solutions and answers to the issues of addiction facing their loved one.

Eligible students will be allowed up to two overnight passes with their families during this weekend. For these overnight passes to be granted, families MUST agree to attend the seminar and church service as described below. Families should understand that these passes are granted contingent upon their participation and attendance in the educational seminar on Friday evening and church service on Sunday morning at 10:30 AM.

**Please note:** If an overnight pass is approved for a student and the family decides not to attend all scheduled events, that student could lose opportunities for future overnight passes.

## Family Recovery Weekend Student Pass Schedule

- **OPTION # 1**

- On Friday night, dinner will be served between 5:00—6:00 PM for all family members in the cafeteria, at no charge. Families should plan on arriving during this time so they can eat with their family member, and to meet and greet the staff. This time will also provide families the opportunity to meet their family member's counselor, and to ask any questions they may have concerning the program or the student's progress. Any issues of concern may be addressed during this time.
  - Following dinner, educational classes will be held between 6:00 PM—7:00 PM for ALL family members, including wives and fiancée's. Classes will cover drug addiction and other family issues, and will teach family members about addiction and the recovery process as well as provide tools necessary to help their son, father, or husband remain accountable after he graduates from the Teen Challenge program. Wives and fiancées will be required to attend a Spouse's seminar separately from family members. ALL FAMILY MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED to participate in their assigned class in order to have an overnight pass with their student. **PLEASE DO NOT BE LATE.**
  - A short break will be given from 7:00 PM—7:30 PM, and staff will be available for families to meet and to discuss any matters concerning the student.
  - From 7:30—8:30 PM, all family members are required to participate in our Praise and Worship Service. Our goal is to start every family's weekend with a spiritual boost, and praise and worship is an excellent way to get everyone excited about what is happening in the life of the students.

- At the conclusion of the praise and worship service, after the corporate dismissal has been made, families may check out their student from the campus and leave to spend quality time together. Families should remain in the Pensacola area.
- On Saturday, families are free to spend the entirety of the day together. Please enjoy your time, but remember that Teen Challenge rules and policies apply, and the student should conduct himself accordingly while away from campus. Violation of Teen Challenge rules and policies while the student is away from campus could result in future Family Recovery Weekends being suspended or permanently denied.
- On Sunday, families are **required** to return to the campus in time to participate in the Family Life Church service which begins at 10:30 AM. Families should not arrive before 10:00 AM.
  - After the church service ends, family members may have lunch on campus (at the cost of \$5.00 per person, including children) with the student. Family members and friends are welcome to spend the afternoon with their student, and to stay for the evening service at Family Life Church at 6:00 PM. Once the evening service is completed, families should depart immediately so as to allow students to prepare for the next day's work schedule.
  - **Students are not allowed off campus after arriving back on campus for the 10:30 AM service.**
- **OPTION # 2**
  - Families who want to attend Friday classes or church without taking their student for an overnight pass, or families whose student does not qualify for a pass are still invited to participate in Family Recovery Weekend. Families should not arrive on Friday before 5:00 PM or 10:00 AM on Sunday.
  - For families who cannot attend the seminar on Friday but who want to have a pass with their student, the option is given to have an 8-hour DAY pass with their student on the Saturday of Family Recovery Weekend. Students may be picked up from campus at 9:00 AM and should be returned by 5:00 PM. **PLEASE NOTE THAT WITH THIS OPTION, FAMILIES ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND THE CHURCH SERVICE AT FAMILY LIFE CHURCH ON SUNDAY MORNING AT 10:30 AM.**

**IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND FAMILY RECOVERY WEEKENDS (FRW), YOU MUST FILL OUT AN APPLICATION EACH MONTH AND RETURN IT BY THE POSTED DATES TO THE TEEN CHALLENGE OFFICE TO RESERVE YOUR SEATS.**

# FAMILY RECOVERY WEEKEND APPLICATION

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Weekend Date \_\_\_\_\_

**CHECK THE OPTION THAT YOUR FAMILY WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN DURING FRW:**

- Please schedule our family for Option # 1                       Please schedule our family for Option # 2

**PLEASE PRINT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION. ALL GUESTS MUST COMPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING DRESS CODE. FAILURE TO BE DRESSED APPROPRIATELY WILL RESULT IN YOUR BEING SENT BACK TO YOUR HOTEL TO DRESS MORE APPROPRIATELY.**

**PLEASE DO NOT WEAR THE FOLLOWING, OR SIMILAR, TYPES OF CLOTHING:**

- See-through garments
- Tight fitting or revealing type clothing (Low necklines, skin tight jeans, etc.)
- Shorts worn 2” above knee length
- Tank tops, crop tops, spaghetti straps, etc.
- Skirts or dresses shorter than 2” above the knee
- Shirts or blouses which reveal the navel or midriff
- Clothing that allows undergarments to be seen
- Clothing, including T-shirts, with inappropriate themes or words (such as alcohol ads, tobacco ads, nudity, etc.)
- Jewelry with symbols of the occult or horoscope or yin yang
- Fishnet shirts

(PLEASE PRINT) Persons Attending Weekend	(PLEASE PRINT) Relationship to Student

**Contact Person for Further Information:**

**Contact Phone Numbers:**

I understand that I am responsible for helping my loved one comply with the rules and policies of Pensacola Teen Challenge while he/she is my care during Family Recovery Weekend. I understand that I should have a copy of the Family Handbook and read it to be familiar with all rules and policies.

Main (Contact Person) Family Member’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

- I have a current copy (Edition: Revised March 1, 2009) of the Family Handbook
- I need \_\_\_\_\_ copy / copies of the current Family Handbook for my family members

Weekend Recovery Dates for 2010	Application Due No Later Than
January 8 <sup>th</sup> —10 <sup>th</sup>	January 1 <sup>st</sup>
February 12 <sup>th</sup> —14 <sup>th</sup>	February 5 <sup>th</sup>
March 12 <sup>th</sup> —14 <sup>th</sup>	March 5 <sup>th</sup>
April 9 <sup>th</sup> —11 <sup>th</sup>	April 2 <sup>nd</sup>
May 14 <sup>th</sup> —16 <sup>th</sup>	May 7 <sup>st</sup>
June 11 <sup>th</sup> —13 <sup>th</sup>	June 4 <sup>th</sup>
July 9 <sup>th</sup> —11 <sup>th</sup>	July 2 <sup>nd</sup>
August 13 <sup>th</sup> —15 <sup>th</sup>	August 6 <sup>th</sup>
September 10 <sup>th</sup> —12 <sup>th</sup>	September 3 <sup>th</sup>
October 12 <sup>th</sup> —17 <sup>th</sup> ** (3 <sup>rd</sup> Weekend)	October 8 <sup>nd</sup>
November 12 <sup>th</sup> —14 <sup>th</sup>	November 5 <sup>th</sup>
NONE FOR DECEMBER—GRADUATION WILL BE ON DECEMBER 12 <sup>TH</sup>	

Please be sure to have your completed application in on time in order that we may have sufficient materials for class, and to account for your presence!

**ITEMS OF IMPORTANCE TO NOTE WHILE YOU ARE VISITING THE TEEN CHALLENGE CAMPUS:**

- Our campus is entirely **SMOKE FREE AND TOBACCO FREE**. Please do not use any tobacco products during your visit to our campus. If you are discovered smoking or chewing, you will be asked to leave, and you may forfeit future visits with your loved one.
- Do not allow your loved one the use of cell phones for any reason or purpose.
- Do not give money or food to your loved one.
- If you have packages to give to your loved one, they must first be checked by staff before he/she can have the contents.
- No pets are allowed on campus, so please leave them at home or your hotel.
- Classes are mandatory, so please have all family members ready to go at class time.
- Please remember that infractions during the Family Recovery Weekend will result in consequences such as forfeiture of future visits, suspension (or dismissal) of your loved one from the program, suspension of phone calls, or other discipline as needed. **HELP US TEACH YOUR LOVED ONE ABOUT RIGHT LIVING!**