

Courage Callback Prep Pack

Youth Frontiers, Inc.

Audience	For any students who have already participated in the Courage Retreat
Maximum #	175 students; 1:30 teacher/student ratio

Now that your assembly date is set, you will need to complete each item in the checklist below to ensure the success of your presentation. If you have questions, please call us at 952.922.0222 or toll-free at 888.992.0222.

1 Select a facility

We strongly encourage you to hold your Courage Callback follow-up assembly in your school's auditorium or similar setting.

- Ideal locations are school or community auditoriums with fixed seating.
- Please arrange to have the location opened at least 1 hour before the audience arrives to allow the Youth Frontiers staff to set up.
- Loud music will be playing; please choose a space that can accommodate the loud volume.

2 Prepare the space

Please provide the following for our staff 1 hour before the assembly begins:

- Open “performance” space for the speaker to facilitate the activities
- One eight-foot table (rectangle)
- Chairs (row seating) are ideal, but students may sit on the floor if necessary
- One or two extension cords, if necessary

3 Prepare your students

Please give your students an idea of what the assembly will entail so they walk into the room prepared for the experience.

- The assembly is not like a retreat experience. (In other words we will *not* be playing mongo volleyball.)
- We will be asking them to call back to their retreat experience. It will be helpful to talk about and reflect on their experience before the assembly.
- We are excited to be working with them again!

4 Teacher Expectations

- Please sit with the students (at the end of a row or on an aisle if there is one).
- We will need your help passing out cards; please be ready to do so toward the end of the assembly.

Thank you!

Sample Memo to Parents

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Earlier this year we held a Courage Retreat that focused on challenging our students to accept people for who they are, follow their heart instead of the crowd and stand up for what they know is right – even when it's hard. This Courage Callback assembly is designed to follow up on that experience, and remind students of their Acts of Courage and continue the momentum created by the Courage Retreat.

We encourage you to ask your child about the assembly experience when they arrive home.

We look forward to another dynamic program from Youth Frontiers! For more information about the organization or the other programs and resources they provide, visit them online at www.youthfrontiers.org.

Sincerely,

Sample Memo to Teachers/Staff

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As teachers and staff, we invite you to come join us in the _____ (location) at _____ (date/time) if you are able. If you can't make it to the assembly, we encourage you to ask your student about the experience afterwards.

Seventh (or eighth) grade teachers, we will need your help to assist the Youth Frontiers staff in passing out materials. Please expect to sit at the end of the rows with students.

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