

In the name of Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful



Young Adult Summer Retreat (YASR) 2026 Guidelines

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YASR Overview

YASR is a fun-filled, spiritual, social, and professional development get-away for Muslim youth ages 18 – 39. The concept of the retreat is to create a harmonious atmosphere where everyone feels welcome, can develop themselves and network.

In Sha Allah, **YASR 2026** will take place in **Charlotte, North Carolina** from **Thursday, July 2 – Monday, July 6, 2026**. The 2nd and 6th are travel days so they will have little to no programming on them. The YASR program will take place at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Charlotte located at 4800 South Tryon Street, Charlotte, NC 28217.

YASR 2026 Registration & Accommodations

In Sha Allah, registration will open on Wednesday, April 1, 2026, and will close when capacity has been reached. **Please read through the details below for the available packages this year.** The registration fee is \$250, however, a discount of \$75 will be applied to the Standard Registration Package. Additionally, breakfast is only included for those choosing the Standard Registration Package. The final price is determined by the rooming package you select. Those registering after May 31, 2026 **will not** have rooming as part of their package and will pay a late fee. The prices below reflect the discounts or late fees as they apply.

Please note that these prices are per person.

YASR 2026 Standard Registration Packages *(Registration & Accommodations included)*

- Single: \$800 – only 1 person in the room; 1 king bed.
- Double: \$500 – 2 people in the room; 2 queen beds.
 - ❖ **Married Couple:** both spouses must register for the double option and list their spouse as their roommate; 1 king bed.
- Quad: \$375 – 4 people in a room; 2 queen beds.

YASR 2026 Commuter Registration Package *(Registration only)*

- Commuter: \$250 – does not include accommodation or breakfast at the hotel.

YASR 2026 Late Registration Package *(Registration only)*

- June 1 – June 25, 2026: \$300 – does **not** include accommodation or hotel breakfast.
- Onsite registration may not be available. If it is available, rates will be higher.
- No registration beyond July 3rd

Accommodations

- **Single** occupancy means you have the room to yourself.
- **Double** occupancy means you will be sharing a room with one other person; you will have a chance to choose this person during registration.
 - **For spouses**, each will select **double occupancy** and list their spouse as the roommate.
- **Quad** occupancy means you will share a room with three other people. It is advised that attendees have potential roommates in mind if they plan on sharing a room, otherwise the YASR registration team will do their best to match you with roommates.

Cancellations & Refunds

No substitution of registrants is allowed. If you registered and can no longer attend, your registration should be withdrawn, not replaced with a new person. Any cancellations, withdrawals, or modifications to your participant details and/or room type selection should be done online via the registration portal.

APC reserves the right to refund YASR registration and accommodation fees for those who withdraw/cancel, subject to the following:

- On or before April 30, 2026, at 11:59pm Eastern Time: Full refund of both registration and accommodation fees, less payment processing fees (about 3%).
- From May 1 - May 15, 2026: Refunds for the registration fee (\$175 or \$250) will not be issued. Room fees (amount paid minus \$175) can be refunded, less payment processing fees, if requested via the registration portal by May 15, 2026, at 11:59pm Eastern Time.
- May 16 – May 31, 2026: No refund for Registration fees; 80% of hotel fees will be refunded, if requested via the registration portal by May 31, 2026, at 11:59pm Eastern Time.
- After May 31, 2026: Refunds will **not** be issued.

All requests for refunds must be made through the registration portal.

Text messages or phone discussions are *not* sufficient forms of notice and will *not* count as meeting the deadline. Acknowledgment emails received from the organizers or from the registration system should be kept for record purposes. All official correspondence will come from apc@ncnmo.org or APC's official Gmail account (advancedpltfm@gmail.com).

Send any questions to apc@ncnmo.org

Retreat & Hotel Check-ins

Retreat check-in will start at 4 PM local time in North Carolina on Thursday July 2, 2026. As July 2nd is a travel day, there will only be check-ins, prayers in Jama'ah, and dinner for those arriving at the hotel by 10pm. July 3rd will start early with Fajr salah and breakfast for those staying at the hotel. **Official YASR programming** will begin with the "Welcome Address" on the morning of July 3rd. Other than salah and dinner for July 2nd, APC is not responsible for food or programming before July 3rd when YASR officially commences.

Hotel check-in will begin at 4 PM local time in North Carolina on Thursday, July 2, 2026. Anyone who arrives earlier than 4 PM local time will have to wait until the hotel prepares the rooms. Although check-in begins at 4 PM local time, please be aware that room check-in is subject to the hotel's availability of rooms and when they are ready.

Hotel check out is at 11 AM local time in North Carolina on Monday, July 6, 2026. Any late check out fees will be billed to the attendee(s). APC is not responsible for accommodation outside of July 2-6, 2026.

Extended Stays

YASR attendees planning to arrive before July 2nd or depart after July 6th may take advantage of the special room rate at the hotel for additional nights (up to 3 nights prior and up to 3 nights post). During registration, participants should indicate their extended stay preferences. The registration team will forward this information to the hotel, who will then contact guests directly via email or phone to confirm these additional reservations and collect payment information.

All charges for extended stays will be paid directly to the hotel. The negotiated rate for these additional nights are subject to room availability.

Transportation and Airport

The hotel has a complementary shuttle from CLT to the hotel when you fly into the **Charlotte Douglas International Airport (CLT)**. This shuttle should be available every 15-30 minutes in the airport's designated shuttle pick-up area. If the shuttle does not come at the 30-minute mark, please contact the Embassy Suites by Hilton Charlotte at (704) 527-8400.

If you decide to rent a car and/or drive to the hotel, the hotel charges a fee of \$10/night + Tax for self-parking. When checking in, notify the hotel that you have a vehicle on the property and follow their instructions for payment. Please note that the APC/YASR Planning Committee will not be responsible for any possible damage incurred on any rented or personal vehicles. The YASR planning committee will facilitate all transportation for outings included in the YASR program.

2026 Rules and Regulations

All YASR attendees please note that any expenses incurred at the hotel including but not limited to; room service, incidental charges, restaurant bills, any damage to hotel rooms, any damage to the convention center space, et cetera will be paid solely by the attendee. The Advanced Platform Committee (APC) is not responsible for any personal expenses not included in the YASR program.

Additionally, APC limits its responsibility to scheduled YASR activities. Attendee(s) activities outside of scheduled YASR activities are not sponsored or sanctioned by APC. Attendees will indemnify and hold APC harmless against any and all claims, actions, damages, losses, liability, and expenses including but not limited to court and attorneys' fees in connection with attendee(s) outside activities. Each attendee shall hold APC non-labile for any tort committed by any attendees unless the person who committed the tort was acting as agent of APC at the time the tort was committed. When you read this part of the guidelines, send us an email (apc@ncnmo.org) to let us know your favorite type of candy. Should there be any dispute between APC and any attendee, the parties agree that such dispute shall be resolved through alternative dispute resolution.

By registering for this event, you agree to abide by all of the policies of the host facility, Embassy Suites by Hilton Charlotte, and the Advanced Platform Committee. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Send any questions to apc@ncnmo.org

Health & Safety

To ensure the safety of our participants, if you are experiencing any symptoms of any respiratory illness or have been around anyone that tested positive for any respiratory related illnesses, please adhere to general health & safety guidelines. The Advanced Platform Committee accepts no responsibility or liability for any illness that may be contracted at or after the event.

Other Information

APC will be taking pictures and videos during YASR. By registering to attend YASR, you acknowledge that several parts of the event will be recorded (video, audio, and photography) and agree that these may be shared at the sole discretion of the Advanced Platform Committee (APC). This includes but is not limited to social media, our website, and/or use for promotional purposes.

Changes to Guidelines

These guidelines may be amended as necessary to support the effective planning and execution of YASR 2026. Any updates will be reflected in the “Last Updated” date and communicated through the appropriate channels. Attendance or participation following such revisions will constitute acknowledgment of the updated guidelines.