

Leadership, family, and fun. These are the three words that come to mind when I think of the Crime Stoppers Ambassador Leadership Retreat. I walked into this retreat uneasy and a bit nervous of what was to come; however, I was pleasantly surprised when I was welcomed with open and loving arms and I knew that this was where I was supposed to be. I quickly learned ways to help promote safety and prevent problems in my school. Leadership comes to mind because of the leadership we learned by traveling to Austin to learn what goes on throughout the whole program. We all learned so much from the guest speakers that came to teach us about their knowledge, and I am not alone when I say that I learned a lot of information to bring back to my community. The sense of family comes from the welcoming ceremony with the board members, and our sponsors coming together to speak and teach us ambassadors. Finally, the fun comes from the positive attitudes that everyone has while we are getting taught, doing a scavenger hunt, and even while we are relaxing playing at TopGolf. It is important to all of us to go on these retreats to build up bonds among all the ambassadors, sponsors, board members, and our community. I am sure I am not the only one who agrees when I say that I do not wish I was anywhere else with any other group of people than the members of Crime Stoppers. However, The first Crime Stoppers Ambassador Leadership Retreat was as important as the past conferences we have had, and as for the future I know they will be as good (if not better) than this year.