



Center for Evangelism
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Central Texas Conference

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Thank you for your interest in serving on the Conference Council on Youth Ministries! This team consists of youth and adults from across the Central Texas Conference who are interested in using their gifts and passions to be in ministry with and for our church.

In this packet you will find a membership application, covenant, medical release form, job descriptions, and important dates. Leaders who serve on leadership should be prepared to attend all scheduled meetings and retreats spread out throughout the year and in various locations. Being a part of the Conference Council on Youth Ministries is a commitment, but you will also gain leadership experience, service opportunities, have a lot of fun and grow deeper in your faith.

Team Leader applications are due by April 7th, 2013. You will be contacted via e-mail when each element of your application has been received and when your application is complete.

Please note:

- Team leaders must be in 11th or 12th grade during the 2013-14 school year
- Team co-leaders must be in 9th-12th grade during the 2013-14 school year
- Leaders (both adults and students) are permitted to miss up to 2 meetings a year. If a leader misses more than 2 meetings, they are subject to removal from the team.
- Applications will be accepted for team leaders and co-leaders until April 7th, 2013. Terms for CCYM leaders run from June 2013-June 2014.
- Much communication happens via e-mail and/or Facebook and you are expected to be part of it.

Items Needed for a Complete Application

- Completed application
- Completed notarized Emergency Release Form
- Short letter of recommendation from pastor or youth director sent via e-mail or postal mail directly to Leanne Johnston.

Please send all applications to:
Central Texas Conference of the UMC
Attn: Leanne Johnston
464 Bailey Avenue
Fort Worth, Texas 76107
Leanne@ctcumc.org
817-332-4609 (fax)

Peace,

Leanne Johnston
Coordinator of youth & young adult ministries

Important Dates

June 8th-9th – Pre-Annual Conference Leadership Retreat in Fort Worth, Texas

August 24th – Fall CCYM Meeting from 10am-2pm

September 21st – Mid-Winter Planning Meeting from 10am-2pm

February 8th – Mid-Winter Curriculum Review and Pre-Meeting from 10am-2pm

February 21-23rd - Mid-Winter Retreat at Glen Lake Camp

March 15th – Spring CCYM Meeting from 10am-2pm

June TBD – Pre-Annual Conference Leadership Retreat

Job Descriptions and Responsibilities

Team Leaders

Each committee will have a team leader and a co-leader responsible for organizing the team. They will schedule and lead meetings for their whole team in order to accomplish specific tasks. In addition, team leaders will serve on a leadership team where they will receive in depth leadership training, meeting every other month for development. Team leaders and co-leaders should plan to be in regular communication with team members and other team leaders via facebook, text messaging, e-mail, or other virtual means. Team co-leaders should be in 9th-12th grade and team leaders will be in 11-12th grade. Applications for team leaders are due no later than April 7, 2013.

Worship

The Worship Team is responsible for leading worship at varying conference and district events as requested. The worship team should have members who have musical skill, are passionate about spiritual and creative worship, and have experience in multimedia used in worship.

Missions/Service

The Missions/Service team is responsible for coordinating local service projects for churches, districts, and the conference. Members should have a heart for serving others, a passion for hands-on mission, and diversity in missions experience. Beyond simply hands-on mission, this team will serve to energize and equip local youth ministries to live out the mission of the church: to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Publicity

The Publicity team is responsible for all communications and media for events within churches, districts, and the conference as requested. This team should have members with experience or passion for social media, graphic design, and creativity.

Organization/Administration

The Organization/Administration team is responsible for logistical planning of events, coordinating the conference youth calendar, and maintaining event registration when requested. Members of this team should be passionate about details.

Hospitality

The Hospitality team is responsible for welcoming, following up, and providing opportunities for people to show hospitality. This team will need to be naturally hospitable and creative to forge new ways of sharing hospitality. This includes (but is not limited to) following up with participants after events, serving as greeters at events, and making sure that new students feel welcome. This team will also be responsible for prayer concerns and requests.

Conference Council on Youth Ministries Team Leader Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Church membership: _____

Current grade in school: _____

What activities are you involved in through school or your community?

What activities, committees, service opportunities are you currently involved in with your church?

Why do you feel called to serve on CCYM?

Briefly describe your spiritual journey.

I am applying to be a:

Team Leader (Must be in 11th or 12th grade)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Worship | <input type="checkbox"/> Service/Missions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality | <input type="checkbox"/> Organization/Administration |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity | |

Team Co-Leader (Must be in 9th-12th grade)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Worship | <input type="checkbox"/> Service/Missions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality | <input type="checkbox"/> Organization/Administration |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity | |

CCYM Team Leader/Co-leader Covenant

As a member of the Conference Council on Youth Ministries (CCYM), I am representing my conference, district and local church. I understand that membership is a privilege and I agree to abide by the following covenant.

I will set an example of Christian leadership at conference, district and local church events. I will be an active participant and leader at my local church, youth ministry, and community. I understand Christian leadership is servant ministry exemplified by Jesus. As a CCYM member, I am example and not an exception.

As a CCYM member, I agree to participate actively in Conference, District and local church youth ministries. I understand that I am required to attend every meeting and if I miss more than two, I may be removed from the team. If a situation arises and I cannot make it I will inform Leanne Johnston no less than one week before the meeting. Much planning and fellowship occurs virtually and I will participate in this by responding to e-mails in a timely fashion, being active on CCYM facebook page, and following up on my tasks.

As a CCYM member, I agree to the following at all conference and district events:

- I will not use or possess tobacco, alcohol, or other abusive substances
- I will not use or possess firearms, fireworks, and other weapons
- I will treat other persons with respect, being positive and encouraging of others.
- I will respect the property that we use, churches, camps, and vehicles, being sure to leave things better than I found them
- I will not use profanity
- I will refrain from using or providing inappropriate music, video, and/or other entertainment
- I will observe and help enforce curfew as set by the leadership
- I agree to the following boundaries: Girls never in boys rooms and boys never in girls rooms
- I understand no covenant can cover all offenses. Therefore, the leadership team has the authority to assess situations that arise and set other guidelines and enforce consequences as deemed necessary.
- I understand that violation of the above covenant can result in termination of my CCYM membership, either by my local church, District Youth Coordinator, or the Conference Youth Director

Signature _____ Date _____

Medical Release and Liability Form

Central Texas Conference Youth Ministry Events

Name of Participant _____

Name of Legal Guardian/s _____

Address, City, State, Zip _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Work/Cell Phone (_____) _____

Age _____ Birthday _____ SS# _____

School _____ E-mail _____ Date of Last Tetanus _____

Functions and Activities

I understand that participating in programs, recreation and other activities of Central Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church is a privilege. Prior to my participation in such activities, I acknowledge that there are certain risks associated with these activities, including, by way of example, physical injury due to activity-related accidents, physical injury due to transportation-related accidents, illness or even death. In addition, I acknowledge that there may be other risks inherent in these activities of which I may not be presently aware.

Release of Liability

By signing this Permission and Waiver Form, I expressly warrant that this child named above or I, if I am a participant, am capable of withstanding both the physical and mental demands of these activities. I also expressly assume all risks to the child or me participating in the activities, whether such risks are known or unknown to me at this time. I further release the church and its ministers, leaders, employees, volunteers and agents from any claim that my child may have or that I may against them as a result of injury or illness incurred during the course of participation in these activities. This release of liability is also intended to cover all claims that members of the child's or my family or estate, heirs, representatives or assigns may have against the church or its ministers, leaders, employees, volunteers, or agents. I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless the church and its ministers, leaders, employees, volunteers, or agents from any and all claims arising from my participation in its activities and programs, or as a result of injury or illness of my child during such activities.

First Aid and Emergency Medical Treatment

I recognize that there may be occasions where the child named above or I, if I am a participant, may be in need of first aid or emergency medical treatment as a result of an accident, illness, or other health condition or injury. I do hereby give permission for agents of the church to seek and secure any needed medical attention or treatment for the child named above or me, if I am a participant, including hospitalization, if in the agent's opinion such need arises. In doing so, I agree to pay all fees and costs arising from this action to obtain medical treatment. I give permission for attending physician(s) and other medical personnel to administer any needed medical treatment, including surgery and, again, I agree to pay for the medical treatment. I also agree to let the hospital or medical agent release the child or myself back to the church representative after treatment.

Emergency Contacts

Medical Doctor _____ Phone Number _____

Name #1 _____ Relation _____

Home Phone _____ Work/Cell Phone _____

Name #2 _____ Relation _____

Home Phone _____ Work/Cell Phone _____

Insurance information

Carrier _____ Policy Number _____

Policy Holder Name _____ Carrier Phone Number _____

Medical History

(Include special medical needs or concerns such as asthma, allergies, conditions, dietary needs, medications, etc.)

Other Information that leaders should know about the child or adult participant:

For use if the Participant is a Minor

I represent that I am the parent/guardian of the child listed above, who is under 18 years of age. I have read the above Permission and Waiver Form and am fully familiar with the contents thereof. I give permission for the child named above to participate in the activities of Central Texas Conference Youth Ministries. I hereby consent to the Permission and Waiver Form, including the Release of Liability above, on behalf of the child, and agree that this Permission and Waiver Form shall be binding upon me and my estate.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian _____ Date _____

Print Name of Parent or Legal Guardian _____

Adult Volunteers and Employees

As an adult volunteer or church employee, I hereby agree to each of the consents and waivers listed above, including the Release of Liability, as pertaining to my own participation in these activities.

Signature _____ Date _____

All Participants

Along with the leaders and other youth, I agree to conduct myself in a Christian manner. I promise to respect God, respect myself, respect other people, and respect property. I understand that my agreement holds me responsible to these things and the consequences thereof. I agree to participate in these activities of the church; participation in church activities depends on my support of this agreement. By signing this covenant, I understand that action will be taken and I am subject to be sent home if I partake in any of the following activities: possession of illegal drugs, non-prescribed medication, alcohol or tobacco products, possession of weapons, disrespect for authority, or any other activity that adult leaders deem as inappropriate. I covenant to strive to make each activity/trip/retreat the best it can be!

Signature _____ Date _____

NOTARY PUBLIC

Notary Seal Required

State of Texas, County of _____

Before me on this day personally appeared _____, the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office this ____ day of _____, _____.

Notary Public, State of Texas