

STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM



STUDENT MINISTRIES

Mission:

Making Christlike Disciples

SERVANT-LEADER APPLICATION

Student Leadership Team Goals & Requirements

In the Student Ministries Department we are committed to developing the leadership skills of our students. Because of this, we are forming the Student Leadership Team. Student Leadership is composed of students who have a sincere desire to serve Jesus Christ and develop their leadership skills. This is not a program for every student but rather a ministry opportunity that is accompanied by high standards, high commitment, and high expectations.

Skill level is NOT the basic requirement of leadership. As you review the requirements for student leadership you will notice that there are four key facets expected in the commitment:

- Personal growth, character, and maturity on spiritual, emotional, and social levels
- Ministry involvement and commitment
- Responsibility
- Personal leadership development

As you read through the requirements and covenant, please understand we are NOT looking for perfection, but that, scripturally, leadership DOES require a higher standard. Our desire is to help you grow into the leader God wants you to be. Student Leadership meets monthly throughout the entire year. Meetings will consist of ongoing leadership training, planning of events, prayer and servant-hood.

The regular meetings are usually carried out by Pastor Zack Harris and/or NYI President Justin Marcum. Most of the regular meetings will be once a month on a Sunday and will usually last 1 to 1.5 hours.

From time to time, there is need to schedule an information meeting or a meeting to discuss a major event that the Leadership Team will be responsible for. We will try to give you as much notice as possible and if it has to be on a Wednesday night during the school year, we will endeavor to keep it as short as possible.

Please take a few moments to read over the goals and requirements expected of servant leader applicants. Thank you for your time.

S.L.T. Goals

We believe that Christians should be:

- INFORMED—therefore, we will spend time in Bible Study, discussing spiritual issues in the students and their friends lives.
- ARTICULATE—therefore, we will work at how to present Jesus Christ in an attractive and convincing manner.
- COMPASSIONATE—therefore, we will be involved in programs that meet needs.
- SUPPORTIVE—therefore, we will work at building good friendships and healthy relationships with peers and adults.
- SERVANT-LEADERS—therefore, we will train students to model Christ through serving others in all areas of responsibility with an attitude of joy.

S.L.T. Requirements

- Complete the student leadership application
- Must be a student who takes living the Christian faith seriously
- Must be an example in Christian conduct and character described in the Student Leadership Covenant. This involves striving for excellence in:
 - a. Devotional life
 - b. Friendships
 - c. Schoolwork
 - d. Home life
- Must attend most events:
 - a. Monthly S.L.T. meetings
 - b. Sunday morning & Wednesday night events
 - c. Activities, camps, retreats, and outreach events
- Follow up with students in a designated follow-up group on a monthly basis
- Enroll in a discipleship opportunity while you are involved in student leadership
- Be involved in additional leadership training as made available (annual retreat, etc.)
- Be actively involved in a ministry
- Must be able to serve for at least one year
- Be interviewed by Student Ministries Staff

Student Leadership Team Servant-Leader Application

(USE BACK IF NECESSARY)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Parent's Name(s) _____

1. How long have you been a Christian? (Date?)

2. State briefly how you became a Christian and what has caused the most growth in your Christian life (use the back of this sheet.)

3. Have you been baptized? YES or NO If so, when. If not, why not?

4. How long have you consistently attended our church?

5. What services do you regularly attend?
 Sunday morning
 Wednesday night youth meeting
 Discipleship/ S.L.T.

6. What does the concept "servant-leader" mean to you?

Are you willing to be this type of leader?
 Yes No

7. What are your previous experiences working as a leader?

8. Which ministry team(s) do you currently serve on in the student ministry?

9. What other activities will you be involved in this year (sports, clubs, cheerleading, work, and so on)?

10. Why would you like to be servant-leader, and what can you contribute to this ministry?

School _____

Grade: 7 8 9 10 11 12

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Age _____ Birthdate _____

11. Who have been the three most influential people in your life and why?

12. What do you feel are your God given spiritual gifts?

Talents?

Abilities?

How can you use them in the group this year?

13. What do you see as your strengths?

14. What do you see as your weaknesses?

15. What do you consider to be your fatal flaw(s)? In other words, what weakness in your life do you consider could be potentially destructive if it were not under control

16. Can you commit to the Student Leadership Covenant?

17. Can you fulfill the requirements of Student Leadership? If no, please explain.

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Please list the names of three adults (not family members or on staff at the church) and their phone numbers that we can use as references for your character and commitment

	Name	Phone Number
1.		
2.		
3.		

Student Leadership Agreement

I understand that if I am selected to serve as a student leader that I will be expected to live in accordance with the Student Leadership Covenant, requirements, and additional responsibilities outlined in this application and in the program. I realize that this is a commitment and will require my time, gifts and abilities, and a willingness to serve and sacrifice for the work of God through this student ministry. I understand what is expected and required of me and do hereby commit to this leadership, upon approval, with the highest level of excellence. I will live my life in such a manner as to honor and please my Lord Jesus Christ, will serve my fellow peers, and will submit fully to the leadership of this student ministry and church. I understand that if I fail in the above commitment that I could be removed from student leadership.

Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's Signature of Support _____ Date _____

Student Leadership Covenant

RELATIONSHIPS

God, Family, Students, School and Community

"Jesus replied: 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself'" (Matthew 22:37-39).

Student leaders are expected to actively pursue the building of quality relationships with the Lord, their family, other students, and in school and the community.

LIFESTYLE WITH ACCOUNTABILITY

Speech, Life, Love, Faith, and Purity

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity" (1 Timothy 4:12).

Speech = What You Say and How You Talk

There should be no gossip, slander, backbiting, negative speech, coarse joking, or foul language, but rather encouragement, edification, and positive language.

Life = Lifestyle, Conduct, & Behavior

Your lifestyle should reflect Christ by the way you live. Living a life above reproach and safeguarding against any accusations is of utmost importance. Drugs, alcohol, smoking, tobacco, and other related addictions will not be tolerated.

Love = Your Relationships With People

Your relationships with others should exemplify purity, love, and care.

Faith = Your Relationship With God

Fostering your relationship with the Lord is your highest calling.

Purity = Standards, Morals, and Convictions

As a leader, you must live with purity and holiness. There must be no immorality, premarital sex, foreplay, or perversion. In addition, there must be purity in entertainment, the Internet, books, magazines, videos, and music.

ATTITUDE

Servant hood, Optimism, and Teamwork Mindset

"Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness"

(Philippians 2:5-7)

Your attitude is your greatest asset. Developing a positive attitude accompanied with obedience, humility, selflessness, and servant hood is a priority.

Student Leadership Covenant

LOYALTY

United With Leadership in Word, Action, and Priority

"I appeal to you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another so that there may be no divisions among you and that you may be perfectly united in mind and thought" (1 Corinthians 1:10).

Disloyalty will not be tolerated. There must be loyalty to the pastoral staff and their families, the church leadership, and the student ministry. Disloyalty in the leadership will result in disunity in the ranks."

INVOLVEMENT

Using Your Gifts in Ministry & Being Faithful to Service and Meetings

Do not neglect your gift, which was given to you through a prophetic message when the body of elders laid their hands on you" (1 Timothy 4:14)

COMMITMENT

Faithfulness, Time, Availability, and High Standards

"Your hearts must be fully committed to the Lord our God, to live by his desires and obey His commands, as at this time" (1 Kings 8:61).

Commitment must be consistent showing faithfulness, promptness, high standards, and availability. This means you are committed to that which you agree in advance to be involved in.

PRODUCE FRUIT

Longevity, Change in Lives of Students, and Responsibilities Done Well

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing...This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples" (John 15:5, 8).

Jesus measured success often by the fruit that was brought forth. Fruit should be developed in your life spiritually, socially, in conduct and lifestyle, and in leadership, attitude, and ministry.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP AGREEMENT

As a member of Student Leadership, I hereby commit myself to live accordance with the standards set forth in this covenant. I understand the seriousness of this covenant and that the Bible places a higher standard upon leadership. Should I fail in my commitment, I will be disciplined accordingly. I understand that there will be no tolerance in regards to sexual behavior, addictions, smoking, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, and foul language. Such activity may result in my removal from leadership. I commit myself to this covenant choosing to honor Christ with my life.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Parent's Signature of Support: _____ Date: _____