



# ADULT LEADER COVENANT

*Welcome to YouthWorks! We appreciate the sacrifices you have made to be here. Your role as an Adult Leader is very important this week. Your attitude and leadership are critical in making this experience Christ-centered and life-changing for your students. That's why this week we're asking you to:*

## ENGAGE STUDENTS as a...

**Processor** – As your students interact with the community, each other and Jesus, there will be much to process. By asking questions – then asking more questions – you'll help students internalize the experience. Changed lives come from changed hearts, and this can't happen without thoughtful reflection. Your role as processor is crucial!

**Participant** – By actively participating in activities, service and conversations you'll not only deepen your experience, you'll also show teenagers that these experiences are worth being involved in. Interact, serve and participate with students, and you will both set an example and set yourself up for incredible experience.

**Team Player** – You'll be on many "teams" during your mission trip. Realize that others may have different needs and come from different backgrounds. Choose to make every effort to be respectful and conscientious of those you share the week with. Recognize that your ministry extends to your teammates.

**Motivator** – Teenagers need your words of encouragement. As you serve alongside students, use your language to uplift them. Help students understand the importance of what they are doing and, at the same time, challenge them to step outside their comfort zones in the way they work and the people they interact with.

## LEAD STUDENTS as a...

**Servant Leader** – Look for opportunities to serve each other, the students and this community. You may be asked to do something that is out of your comfort zone. Be flexible and approach every task with a willing heart.

**Communicator** – Be proactive about communicating questions and concerns with the YouthWorks staff. Attend Adult Leader meetings and work with the YouthWorks staff to make the ministry days as effective as possible.

**Tone-Setter** – Your youth are watching how you respond to things on your trip – the fun things, new things and challenging things. Being patient, flexible and positive in the way you respond will positively impact their week.

**Activator** – Rally the "troops" by helping everyone be on time for meals, leave for ministry sites and activities on time, turning lights out, and so on. Be positive as you encourage students to jump in.

## DIRECT STUDENTS as a...

**Safety Champion** – Safety is top priority. You are crucial to helping us keep your students safe. Help your group stay within boundaries, stick together, stay hydrated, wear their seatbelts and follow other safety guidelines.

**Expectations Advocate** – All students signed a Youth Covenant. Please do your part in making sure students are upholding these expectations, including clothing expectations, and are conducting themselves in a way that honors God, themselves and others.

In all these roles, we need your help putting Jesus at the forefront. Seek to exemplify Christ in your attitude, actions and speech. Your spiritual leadership is vital to your youth's experience.

All Adult Leaders will sign an online version of this form, acknowledging that they agree to meet the expectations of this Adult Leader Covenant and have read the Youth Covenant and agree to help hold your students accountable to the listed expectations. This copy is for your reference.

**Thank you for taking this week to invest in your students and the community.  
We look forward to serving with you!**