



Dear Potential Youth Worker,

I'M GLAD YOU'RE INTERESTED IN WORKING WITH OUR STUDENT MINISTRY!

In our church's purpose to "worship, connect, and serve", Sunday School is the #1 ministry in which we "connect" students to Jesus and each other. We believe that solid ministry is built on relationships between adult workers and students. Relationships are key to students feeling loved and understanding God's love in real ways.

We are looking for men and women who have a commitment to Christ and a desire to care for students. With the aid of prayer and consideration, read the enclosed material. Fill out the application and get it back to me. Because Jackson Way places a great value on the student ministry, we place great value on our youth workers!

Youth ministry is a great way to invest your time in others and serve God! I'm looking forward to meeting with you and spending some time talking about your hopes and desires for ministry. If you have any need to reach me, please feel free to call.

Peace of Christ,

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connect...

Youth Worker Essentials...

- Love God
- Love teenagers
- Member of Jackson Way Baptist Church
- Commit to following the Student Ministry leadership

What does a typical Sunday morning look like?

- 9:00 am- Café & Game Room open
- 9:15 am- All gather in the Warehouse for the main lesson
- 9:45 am- Small group time in classrooms
- 10:15 am- Dismiss for AM Worship Service

What Am I Committing to?

- 1 Year commitment (Aug-Aug)
- Small group leader responsibilities
 - o Lead small group discussions each Sunday morning.
 - o Find a substitute if you cannot be there
 - o Pour your lives into your students!
 - o Attend their ball games, write them letters, send them text-messages, etc. Love and care for them!

What you can expect from us . . .

- To give clarity of vision, spiritual support, and servant leadership
- To be available
- To give honest, constructive input when needed
- To supply any needs to make your role easier

What we can expect from you . . .

- To be reliable and dependable
- To be a Christ-like role model to the students
- To have a servant's heart
- To communicate with us regularly (needs, frustrations, etc.)
- To seek a lifestyle of purity (in relationships, habits, free-time)
- To be faithful in church attendance
- To be committed to personal growth
- To attend any worker meetings and fellowships

JACKSON WAY STUDENT MINISTRY YOUTH WORKER APPLICATION

Thank you for taking the time to share with us about you. We want you to know that the following information will be confidential and only shared with the appropriate pastoral staff deemed necessary.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Name _____ Date _____

Address, City, State, Zip _____

DOB: _____ Phone: (H) _____ (W) _____ (C) _____

Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

Email: _____

Work: Part Time _____ Full Time _____ Student _____

Marital Status: Single _____ Married _____ Divorced _____

EDUCATION

High School _____ Yr. Graduated _____

College _____ Yr. Graduated _____

Post-Graduate _____

PERSONAL

Please write a brief testimony about how and when you became a Christian . . .

How would you describe your spiritual walk now?

What people or experiences have been most significant in your growth as a Christian?

Are there any special issues or concerns happening in your life right now that would have an impact in your commitment and involvement in the student ministry (relationships, other commitments, etc.)?

LEGAL/LIFESTYLE CONCERNS

In caring for students, we believe it is our responsibility to seek youth workers that are able to provide healthy, safe, and loving relationships. Any special concerns can be discussed individually with the pastoral staff.

Are you using illegal drugs? Yes No

*Have you ever gone through treatment for alcohol or drug use? Yes No
If yes, please describe:*

Do you have any habits that would impact your commitment or involvement in the student ministry?

*Have you ever been arrested and/or convicted of a crime? Yes No
If yes, please describe:*

*Have you had any sexual relations with any minor after you became an adult?
 Yes No*

*Have you ever been accused of or convicted of any form of child abuse?
 Yes No
If yes, please describe:*

*Are you willing to be finger printed for State Criminal Conviction Clearing?
 Yes No*

MINISTRY

How long have you attended this church?

What other ministries have you been involved in and reasons for ending that ministry?

Have you ever been in a youth ministry before, as either a student or adult leader? Describe your impressions of the experience . . .

What spiritual gifts do you feel you have and how would you like to use them in this youth ministry?

Do you have any special skills that could be helpful to the student ministry (drama, music, sports, etc.)?

What age group do you prefer to lead?

What are some of your expectations of the youth ministry and staff?

The information contained in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge. I, undersigned, give my authorization to this church or its representatives to release any and all records or information relating to working with minors. The church may contact my references and appropriate government agencies as deemed necessary in order to verify my suitability as a youth worker.

I understand that the personal information will be held confidential by the professional church staff.

Signature: _____ Date: _____