



# Youth Volunteer Application

It is the goal of our church to create a safe and secure environment for all youth and our volunteer workers. To facilitate this emphasis, it is necessary to gather pertinent information from those who offer volunteer services to our youth program. This information will be used for the sole purpose of helping us provide a safe and secure environment for all.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_  
          First                    Middle                    Last

Have you ever used name(s) other than the one above? If yes, please list:

\_\_\_\_\_

Current Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Years at address: \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please respond to all questions below that apply to the position for which you are applying/volunteering.

Position applying/volunteering for: \_\_\_\_\_

When are you available for work? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a valid driver's license? \_\_\_\_\_ Commercial license? \_\_\_\_\_



## Employment History

(Please begin with most recent)

Employment Date(s)	Employer & Supervisor's Name	Employer Address & Telephone Number	Job Title & Telephone Number	Reason for Leaving

Is there any reason why you should NOT work with or around children or youth? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been the subject of a child abuse investigation? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please provide details: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a criminal offense? \_\_\_\_\_

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If yes, please provide details: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Educational Background

	Name & Location of School	Year Graduated	Degree	Areas of Concentration
High School				
College				
Other				

**Please provide the following church information:**

What, if any, church affiliation do you have? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you attended that church? \_\_\_\_\_ Are you a member? \_\_\_\_\_

List other churches with which you have been affiliated: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever worked with youth? \_\_\_\_\_ List where: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Please list two references (former pastor or church leaders):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Years known: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Years known: \_\_\_\_\_



FirstYouth is committed to growing students as disciples of Christ who know, love, and serve Him!

### **Adult Leader Responsibilities & Expectations**

Our adult team is a group of committed, caring, passionate, and fun people.

Our overall goal is "Building Relationships-Building Disciples!"

### **FirstYouth Team Member Goals**

1. Develop followers of Christ
2. Teach teens about who God is and how that impacts their lives
3. Actively engage teens in mission work, reading and studying the Bible, prayer, etc.
4. Help teens build positive, Christian relationships with fellow youth, team members, clergy, parents, members of our church, and the local and international community
5. Create an environment of trust, respect, love, and safety
6. Love the youth as they are, while encouraging them to become who they are meant to be
7. Have fun and be silly!
8. Create an open and honest environment
9. Be non-judgments and always show compassion
10. Teach others that being a Christian is not just about following a list of rules
11. Be realistic and be prepared
12. Share the GOSPEL
13. Show youth their identity in Christ
14. Grow in your personal spirituality

### **FirstYouth Team Member Expectations**

1. Be a positive example of a Godly man or woman
2. Keep your spiritual life and relationship with God a priority
3. Commit to attend Sunday and attend retreats, trips, and special events when possible
4. Sunday: 9:30-10:45 AM & 5:30-8PM (depending on what you are volunteering for)
5. Be willing to teach and lead when needed
6. Provide leadership at FirstYouth Sunday morning small groups and Sunday Night youth gathering (small group discussion, games, skits, etc.)
7. Contact and visit with youth outside of normal youth events whenever possible
8. Follow Safe Sanctuary Policies
9. Create a team environment
10. Be an active listener
11. Help create and maintain a positive and accepting atmosphere
12. Teach from the Bible; follow Methodist doctrine
13. PRAY for our youth, their families, fellow team members, the youth program, our impact on this community, etc.
14. Hold each other and the youth accountable in a loving and accepting way
15. Be EXCITED!
16. Always love the youth for who they are and who they will become

### **FirstYouth Team Member REQUIREMENTS**

*These requirements are based on biblical principles and their goal is to protect volunteers, provide a safe and positive environment for our youth and to enhance the overall effectiveness of the Youth Ministry- therefore we ask that you be obedient to the following requirements:*

1. Demonstrate consistent spiritual growth, Christ-like attitudes, and a lifestyle that is "above reproach"
2. Do not view R or NC 17 movies with youth.
3. Do not spend time alone with any youth, inside or outside the church, including driving in a car or extended phone/Facetime/texting, etc. conversations
4. You must receive parent permission before attending non-church events with youth. (This is not about your seeing them "do" something, like a dance recital or sports event, it's about you going with them somewhere together)
5. Do not do anything with a youth after 10 PM except for church planned events, including making contact with youth outside of an emergency (see # 3 above)
6. Do not tell a youth that everything they say to you is confidential.
7. For college students: refrain from having any youth over to your apartments, fraternity houses, houses, or dorms under any circumstances.



I hereby give permission to make a thorough investigation of my past employment, education, and background, and release from liability all persons, companies, or corporations supplying such information. I also release the church from any liability that might result from making such an investigation. I understand that any false statements or implications made by me on this application or other required documentation shall be considered sufficient cause for denial of employment or discharge.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# VOLUNTEER

## CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK & CONTACT INFORMATION

By your signature below, you hereby authorize First United Methodist Church to obtain a Criminal Background search that will only include: an Identity Verification, a National Criminal File Search, and a Multi-State Sex Offender Search about you in order to consider you for a volunteer position.

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Names Used: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City / State / Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's License Number & State: \_\_\_\_\_

Name as appears on Driver's License: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Date of Birth information is used ONLY by LexisNexis Screening Solutions for Verification of Identity and is not used for any discriminatory purpose by FUMC.

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_