



Catalyst

Tribal Lead Application form
September 2009 to September 2010

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Catalyst Youth Ministries

Student Leadership Team Application
2009-2010

Here's your student leadership application! On these pages, you'll learn about our leadership expectations, different roles you can play on the team and the next steps towards leadership. We'll also get to learn a little bit about you too!

Our lifelong goal is to develop students who know and love Christ with all their hearts and want to see others do the same. It is exciting to know that you want to be a part of that!

Take time to look over all of the different responsibilities and options available to you within Catalyst Youth Ministries. You have the option to serve in more than one area, as long as they do not overlap and you are able to put 100% in everything that you are doing.

If you have any questions concerning the application, please contact Johnathan at youthpastor@hopefellowship.com or at (214) 298-3295. When you have fully completed the application, return it to Johnathan or place in Johnathan's box at the church and you will be called soon after.

Sincerely,

Johnathan Sullet

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Student Leadership Expectations – September 2009 to August 2010

As a student leader, you have the responsibility of being a leader among your peers. When they think of Christians, the 1st thing that may come into their head is YOU! Crazy, eh? Because of that, we want to make sure you know what's expected of you before you sign your year away (KIDDING!!!!). As you live these things out, you'll see how your life will change for the better and how you'll work towards being that example your friends need!

What type of behavior is expected of a member of our “Ministry Team?”

- That you live an authentic Christian life-style in private, at home, in church, in school and work. Specifically, the qualities of holiness, honesty, and humility should be evidenced and practiced.
- While at the youth group meetings and activities, you should seek to display a maturing role of leadership as an example to those around you. You should try to help and maintain order within the group, welcome all students to each activity (especially new people), assist whoever is in charge of the various activities, if needed, and spread out during each activity (especially Outreaches) so that you don't appear as a clique.
- As a member of a team you are to encourage and challenge each other to grow spiritually and to complete ministry assignments.
- You are expected to be contacting both youth group members and non-Christians on a regular basis of ongoing ministry.

So without any more delay...here's what's expected of you as a leader:

- Attendance at Sunday School and Small group
- Working on growing a healthy devotional life (if that's hard for you, we can help!)
- Avoiding things like gossip, complaining and other little kid stuff
- Being loyal to the team when it comes to decisions, changes, etc
- Supporting the team through words and actions
- Carefully examining your music selections, movie watching and TV consumptions (Garbage in, Garbage out!!!!)
- Being on time for meetings, services, events, etc.
- Attending Sunday morning services and taking service notes (not the ones in the bulletin but real ones!)
- Bringing your bible with you to both church on Sundays and Small group (if you need one, let us know!)
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- **Humility** – Nothing kills a leader more than pride...except for a Mack Truck...but pride is a close 2nd!
- **Servant's Heart** – Not that you're a SLAVE or anything, but that you're willing to help in any area

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- **Compartmentalization** – BIG word I know. This means, you're able to put aside certain things, emotions or feelings for a time while doing a task (if something is REALLY up though, let us know so we can help!)
- **Good Character** – not like a cartoon, but that you're constantly working on being a better person!
- **Honesty** – If something isn't working, be willing to share your heart! If you're not doing well, if you need help...openness is key to moving forward!

What must a person do to become a member of our "Ministry Team?"

- a) New members can join each year in August.
- b) An interested person must fill out the attached Student Leadership Application and submit them to the youth pastor. The application will be reviewed by one or more individuals and an interview will be promptly arranged.
- c) You may be asked to join an accountability group to receive training on how to develop your own personal ministry. The schedule for this group will be flexible.
- d) Create situations / opportunities for prayer; for both the team members and the members of the group.
- e) Minister to the needs—physical, social, emotional and spiritual—of the group members to the best of your ability.
- f) Be trained to follow-up a new believer.
- g) Hold each other on the team accountable for ministry success and building relationships within the team.
- h) Read one books and report on it– (Book TBA)
- i) Attend our leadership retreat (cost & date TBA)
- j) Have a mentor with whom you do accountability
- k) Eat a whole onion...that's a joke but if you can do it, you're a star!

Ministry Team Time Commitments

1. The ministry team will meet 1 time a month—usually on the 2nd Sunday of the month. We will meet from 12:30pm to 2:30pm.
2. We anticipate having one ministry team get-a-way; i.e., Equipping Retreats, Prayer Concerts, etc. during the year for the Tribal Leads.
3. You will need to make a minimum commitment to attend **3/4's** of all youth meetings, outreaches and pre-scheduled activities. ***It is tough to minister to others if you are not available or reliable!***
4. You will need to spend 1/2 hour a week in personal contact/ with both a non-Christian and a member of the group, building relationships. [Total: 1 hour]
5. Your commitment to the Ministry Team will be for one year [September to September]. At the end of your year commitment, you may feel free to either withdraw for a period of time or sign-up again.

If you're unable to make it on Sunday mornings or to Small group, you must give Johnathan or your Small Group Leader 24 hours notice and contact another student leader to replace you in your designated role/responsibility.

I KNOW it looks like lots but know this: Johnathan has to do this all too. You're not alone. When you feel like it's too much, remember that we as a family are doing it all with you! Let's learn and grow and develop as leaders together!

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Catalyst Youth Ministries Leadership Application

Personal (Please print)

Today's Date: _____

Name _____

(last)

(First)

(Middle)

Age _____ gender: _____ relationship status: dating/single

School: _____ Grade: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: home: _____ cell: _____ work: _____

Email: _____

Best time and method to contact: _____

How long have you been a part of Catalyst Youth Ministries?

Are you a member of Hope Fellowship? Yes ___ NO ___

What services/events do/did you regularly attend?

- Weekly gender groups (i.e. SOT, GOG, or DOT)
- Sunday morning service
- Sunday night youth group
- Sunday School

If you are presently involved with other ministries at Hope Fellowship please list them below (days, times and frequency):

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____

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Spiritual

Write a brief paragraph explaining how you came to the Lord and your relationship since that time. How long have you been a Christian? What do you love about Jesus?

Why would you like to be involved with Catalyst as a student leader?

What do you feel are your spiritual gifts? How can you use them with Catalyst this year?

Talk a bit about your strengths and things you're good at (this is where you're kinda allowed to brag)

Talk a bit about some of your weaknesses/areas you're working on improving:

How often do you pray? Read your Bible? Favorite verse?

What does the term 'Spiritual Leadership' mean to you? (There's no wrong answers here)

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How have you demonstrated a desire to impact your non-believing friends for the cause of Christ?

In your own words what are the major responsibilities and expected behavior of Ministry Team members?

Social

List the last 5 movies you've seen

1 _____
2 _____
3 _____
4 _____
5 _____

List 4 of your favorite musical artists/styles

1 _____
2 _____
3 _____
4 _____

What are your top 3 TV Shows?

1 _____
2 _____
3 _____

What are 4 things that you value/care about?

1 _____
2 _____
3 _____
4 _____

What's your favorite:

Color: _____

Food: _____

Subject in school: _____

What makes you happiest? Your biggest pet peeve?

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Who have been 3 influential people in your life and why?

List a couple of big dreams or goal in your life:

Other interests, talents, stuff that you like that we didn't ask about:

Availability

Are you available for Sunday School to lead and serve? yes___ no___

Do you have a job? yes___no___ Where is the job? _____

What are your usual hours of employment? _____

How many hours a week? _____

List your school involvements: (clubs, choir, elected offices, band, etc.) How many hours a week are you involved?

List your sports involvements: (activities and time demands.)

List your out of school involvements apart from work:

When (day and time) would be the best time for you to meet with two other Ministry Team members for accountability and personal sharpening?

Are you available for monthly/bimonthly leadership meetings (Sunday afternoons)?
yes___ no___

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Are you available for a leadership getaway (cost & date TBA)? yes___ no___

Would you be available to participate in a small group, pending the day? yes___no___

After reading the Hope Fellowship Youth Tribal Role Description below and responsibilities sheets, are you willing to commit to these terms and responsibilities for the entire school year?

Yes___ No___

Have you prayed through this decision? yes___no___

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parents, have you read through the 'Student Leadership' summary and responsibilities sheet? Do you consent to your teenager working as a 'Student Leader'? yes___no___

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Personal Reference:

Please list one personal adult reference other than relatives.

Name _____ Title/Position _____

Address _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Relationship to you _____

Hope Fellowship Youth Tribal Role Description

(These things are to accompany the other responsibilities for all ministry team members.)

Tribal Leads

- 1) Ensure that critical information is disseminated throughout your tribe.
- 2) Plan one team building activity for the tribe per quarter.
- 3) Confirm that the following have been completed or are covered by your tribe:
 - a) Lead, coordinate, & complete setup and cleanup for Sunday School during your month on duty.
- 4) Disciple at least one person per year and share faith on a regular basis with the unsaved.
- 5) Call tribe members that miss Sunday school and small group in the same week.
- 6) Have regular contact with the other tribal leads so that you know the pulse of the group and what prayer needs may be present.
- 7) Be Responsible and accountable for your tribe.
- 8) Attend Tribal Council Meetings monthly on the 2nd Sunday at 12:30pm-2:30pm.
- 9) Help to facilitate your small group. This means working with the adult leader of your small group to help coordinate snacks, disseminate schedule of lessons and meetings, and leading the outreach activities.

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