



Calvary YTH • Confirmation Overview and Requirements • 2026-2027

What is Confirmation and Why Do We Do it?

The Confirmation faith milestone is a CELEBRATION of a next step in faith. It is a way for students to “confirm” the promises that were made at their baptism by owning their faith and committing to a growing relationship with Jesus. During a student’s experience in Youth Group from 6-12th grade they’ll learn key truths about faith that answer big questions surrounding identity, belonging, and purpose.

Confirmation is not an end point or a “faith graduation,” but the beginning of a new stage where students take greater personal ownership for their relationship with Jesus Christ.

How do I get Confirmed?

We want students to reach this milestone with intentionality and self reflection, so we have a few expectations for students who wish to be confirmed.

- Students attend at least 75% of Wednesday night programming throughout their 10th grade year.
- Students write a Faith Paper and present it to their small group during Faith Story Night.
- Students attend one YTH retreat, Camp or Mission Trip prior to Confirmation.*
- Students attend the Confirmation service and publicly declare this faith milestone in front of family, peers, and congregation members.

*This retreat, camp experience or mission trip can happen ANY time during their time in YTH. If they went on a retreat in 7th grade, or on a mission trip in 9th grade that counts! If the cost of a retreat or trip is a hurdle for your family, we have partial scholarships available.



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What if I haven't been Baptized before?

Confirmation is when someone "confirms" the promises that were made at their baptism, so baptism is the first step. We'll partner with your student if and when they're ready to be baptized.

What Happens After Confirmation?

Confirmation is not the end, but the beginning of a brand new journey. Following Jesus is a lifelong, growing experience. In being confirmed, students are making a commitment to be more involved, not less. Since they become voting members of Calvary through Confirmation, they're encouraged to participate in our growth track as a whole church:

- Worship (Sunday mornings & Wednesday nights)
- Groups (Small group on Wednesday nights)
- Serve (serving opportunities through YTH)
- Give (giving freely to the mission of Calvary)



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Mandatory Dates for Students & Parents

Students are required to attend **75% of Wednesday night programming** throughout the year, including the following mandatory Confirmation events:

- **Faith Story Night: April 14**
 - Faith Story Night will be held during YTH programming, where Confirmation students will be celebrated and given time to present their faith papers in small groups. Parent attendance is encouraged.
 - **Faith Papers are Due March 17!** *Students should schedule a time with their small group leader and/or the campus YTH pastor to read through their faith papers before April*
 - Faith Paper Guidelines will be communicated in small groups starting late January.
- **Confirmation Sunday: May 2 | 10:30 AM**
 - Confirmation students will be recognized during the modern service at their campus.
- **Confirmation Service: May 2 | 1PM - 2PM at the Golden Valley Campus**
 - The Confirmation service will be held at 1PM in the Golden Valley Campus Worship Center, with a cake celebration to follow.