

# Student Covenant of Conduct

During the student ministry meetings, events, and trips under the sponsorship and guidance of Faith UMC, I recognize that I am a representative of the Christian Community and I am responsible for my actions. I understand that by signing this Covenant, I agree to follow the rules below.

## I will:

- Recognize that everyone in the student group is a part of the body of Christ. I will embrace inclusiveness by making sure that everyone feels welcome and important.
- Respect the physical and emotional well-being of other students and adults by “doing unto them as I would have them do unto me.” (This includes refraining from harsh play or violence, refraining from harmful jokes, respecting the need for sleep, etc.)
- Respect the health of my own body by refraining from the use of tobacco, alcohol, illegal drugs; this includes vaping. I understand that the use of these substances is absolutely prohibited.
- Respect the things I use and the property of places I visit. The areas used for all events, including transportation, will be left clean.
- Participate fully in all scheduled group activities and discussion times.
- Act appropriately with members of the opposite sex or same sex. This means no couples alone at any time, and no public displays of affection.
- Follow all instructions given by student ministry leaders and chaperones/volunteers without protest.
- Stay within the group or assigned sub-group at all times. I will not wander off alone or leave the activity site boundaries unless given permission by an adult.
- Hold safety in the highest regard and insure my actions are in the best interest of my own safety or another’s safety.
- Provide a trusting environment for my peers. When students share something about themselves in a group discussion, I will not repeat that information to other friends outside of the group.
- Take the initiative to inform my guests of their responsibility to follow these guidelines when they visit the student ministry group or participate in an event or trip.

## Parents:

- I will help support the youth ministries in any way I can either in my prayers, donations, or volunteer abilities.

- I understand that if my Childs should a behavior persist or become uncontrollable, I as the parent/guardian will be contacted and informed of the problem. Should the situation be urgent, I the parent/guardian will be contacted immediately and will be responsible for picking up the student from an event or trip.

**Guidelines for Consequences:**

Consequences will focus on restoring peace with reconciliation among the parties involved. Any rules not followed by the student will be met with a 3 strike system. First a verbal warning, second a meeting with student(s), and lastly if the situation can not be resolved a meeting with both student and parent will be called to discuss possible solutions to said problem.

**Student and Parent/Guardian Signature**

In signing this covenant, I vow that I have read and understand these guidelines. I recognize that a covenant is a binding promise, and my signature is testimony that I agree to adhere to the provisions of this covenant.

**\* INDICATES REQUIRED FIELD**

<b>SIGNATURE OF STUDENT *</b>	<b>DATE *</b>
<b>SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN *</b>	<b>DATE *</b>