

# WAIVER & RELEASE OF CLAIMS / CODE OF CONDUCT

## Lockhart United Methodist Youth Program

I (releaser/indemnitor), the undersigned parent/legal guardian of reverse mentioned UMYF (participant), authorize his/her participation in all church events. We will always use adult drivers over the age of 21 & we will attempt to have at least one adult with medical knowledge accompany the group. It is my understanding that participation in the activities that make up this program are not without some inherent risk of injury. In consideration of the participant's involvement in these events, I hereby release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue the sponsor of this event, The First United Methodist Church, Lockhart, or any employees, volunteers or agents of this entity (releasees/indemnities), from any and all liability, claims, or causes of action whatsoever arising out of or related to any loss or injury, including death, that may be sustained by participant, including claims arising from the negligence of releasees. I further agree to defend, hold harmless and indemnify indemnities from any and all claims and causes of action as a result of participant's involvement and actions at this event, including claims and causes of action arising from the negligence of indemnities. The foregoing agreements are effective while traveling to and from the event, and while participating in the event and on premises where the activity is being conducted.

I give my permission for the participant to be treated for condition requiring emergency medical care, as determined by a health care professional, and accept responsibility for the cost of the treatment. I agree to defend, hold harmless and indemnify indemnities for any expenses incurred in treating participant. In case of sudden illness or accident to participant, either at the event or traveling to or returning from the event, I authorize FUMC UMYF personnel serving as chaperones to take reasonable action to protect the health and physical well being of participant.

The youth of Lockhart United Methodist Church have established a code of conduct to govern behavior at youth activities. It is expected that all youth participating in any church function will conduct themselves according to the following guidelines:

1. Lockhart Youth exhibit AGAPE (brotherly or sisterly) LOVE towards each other; which means no inappropriate sexual behavior or excessive public displays of affection.
2. Lockhart Youth Activities are DRUG FREE (no smoking, tobacco, drugs or alcohol).
3. Lockhart Youth glorify the Lord in their language and gestures. (Examples: remove hats when praying & refrain from the use of bad language).
4. Lockhart Youth clothing should reflect a Christian humility. This means nothing overly tight. Shorts should reach at least as far as one's fingertips on the thigh when standing. This also means nothing see-through, backless, strapless or with holes that expose private body parts.
5. Lockhart Youth Activities are NON-VIOLENCE ZONES towards people and/or property.
6. Full participation in all activities is expected. If it is necessary for a youth to leave before the event is over, an adult leader should be notified.

### Full Participation Includes the Following:

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| 1. Come with a positive attitude.      | 2. Be kind, courteous & show respect to everyone. |              |
| 3. Participate with God as your focus. | 4. Be friendly & meet new people.                 | 5. Have fun. |

### Consequences for Violations of the Code

1. One verbal warning by an adult sponsor is given for first violation.
2. Parent or guardian will be contacted for additional violations. At local activities, youth will be released to parent or guardian; or if driving, youth may leave the property after the parent or guardian is notified. For out-of-town activities, after parent or guardian is contacted, the youth may be sent home early at their parents or guardian's expense. Should the violation occur in a way that prevents our knowing until after the trip, further consequences may involve loss of the privilege of attending certain events or other appropriate actions.

I have read & understand the Code of Conduct. I agree to abide by this code & personally accept responsibility for the consequences of any unacceptable behavior.

Signature of Youth

Date

This is to certify that I agree with the rules and regulations outlined above and that I agree with the consequences for violations of any of the rules of the Program.

Signature of Parent

Date