# **Student Leader Guidelines**

- 1. Complete the online application first then....
- 2. A printed version of this form must be returned to Beth Kinkaid + \$20 application fee (checks to RiverTree) no later than July 25. You may turn this form in as late as upon arrival at Boot Camp.

#### **Mandatory Parent Meeting**

Select one option below indicating which date you will attend.

Saturday, August 25 at 5:30PM (before the 6PM Student Ministry Leader Kickoff event) Sunday, August 26 after 11AM service.

Printed Parent Name

### Mandatory Boot Camp Training / Wednesday, July 25 / 9PM to 9AM

All student leaders are required to attend this overnighter. Please initial here that you and your student acknowledge this training and that your student will plan to attend.

\_\_\_\_\_ student initials \_\_\_\_\_\_ parent initials

#### **Expectations**

- 1. Attendance and participation in Huddles
  - Sundays at 8AM in UPV (Unplugged Venue, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor)
  - Happens once a month during the school year; the second Sunday of every month
  - Dates are given over the summer when they apply- mark your calendars for the year now so there are no surprises
- 2. Serving weekly at NRG or FUSE
  - NRG requires arrival at 6PM for set-up and stay until 9PM for clean-up
  - Servant heart and attitude helping with whatever role is needed
  - Co-lead a D-group of middle school students
- 3. Serving on middle school trips as leaders
  - RUOK- Middle School Fall Retreat
  - ReFuel- Middle School Winter Retreat
  - Wildside- Middle School Summer Camp
- 4. Attendance and participation in Boot Camp to kick-off the school year- July 25 9PM-9AM
- 5. Regular church attendance
- 6. A commitment to be growing in your relationship with Jesus

## **Policies**

- 1. Your son or daughter will be able to have 2 misses for Huddle if needed during the school year.
  - If they are unable to attend, they need to text Beth Kinkaid 330.268.0743 ASAP and let her know.
  - If more than 2 huddles have been missed, we will set up a meeting with student, parent and Beth to determine is student leadership is a fit for them in the season and if they are able to continue to serve in the capacity.
- 2. Weekly serving at NRG or FUSE is required
  - We understand that big school projects/test, illness or family emergencies, and an occasional sporting obligation may come up from time to time and we are ok with that, however, this need to be the exceptions and not the rule.
  - Your son or daughter needs to text Beth and the adult leader they are serving with and let them know ASAP so we can be sure that their D-group is covered and any additional areas they were leading are covered as well.
  - If your son or daughter is overly committed in other areas or is not showing up when we are counting on them to lead, we will reach out to you to see what's going on. After discussing, we will make a decision to see if it is in your son or daughter's best interest and our team's best interest if they continue on as a leader at this time.
  - Our hope is that it never comes to this, however, we just want to let you know of the commitment level and the expectations out of the gate.
- 3. Attend the Fall and Spring Retreats and Summer Camp as leaders or Work Crew
  - In order to have these life-changing trips and experiences that many of the student leaders have experienced as middle school students, it takes people serving as leaders for these trips to happen.
  - We have 3 main trips that we want all middle school students to experience.
- 4. Living life as a Jesus Follower
  - Realizing students are watching me and looking to me as an example.
  - Using social media in ways that appropriate and honoring to Jesus and others. (Love God and Love People)
  - Making wise choices in my character and conduct.
  - We realize that no one is perfect and we all are in need of grace. We also realize that students are serving in the capacity as a leader to younger students. If situations happen to arise, were the character and conduct are not in line, this will again be an opportunity for us to talk and see what is going on and decide what next steps should be.
- 5. Work with adult leader and other student leader to Co-lead the D-group

Keep a copy of the above pages for your reference.

A printed version of this three-page document must be returned to Beth Kinkaid + \$20 application fee (checks to RiverTree) no later than July 25. You may turn this form in as late as upon arrival at Boot Camp.

#### **Student Acknowledgement**

I have read, understand and agree to the above guidelines, policies, expectations in application for student leadership at RiverTree Jackson.

Printed Student Name

Student signature

Date

#### Parent Acknowledgement

I have read, understand and agree to the above guidelines, policies, expectations for my son/daughter's application for student leadership at RiverTree Jackson.

Printed Parent Name

Parent signature

Date