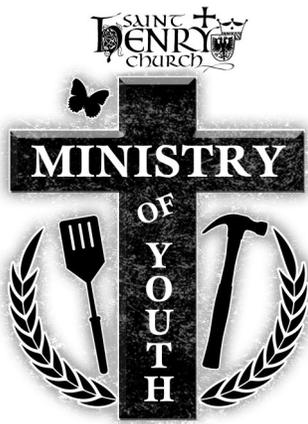


St. Henry's Youth Ministry Service Project Ground Rules



The goal of our service project is to live out Jesus' call to service in a meaningful way. We understand this call through the Gospel in Jesus' teaching and example. We believe that we are here to serve our neighbors, and that one of the truly revolutionary ideas found in Jesus' message is that everybody is our neighbor. Therefore we will serve our neighbors first here at home, and then in our travels.

Our highest priority throughout the course of this project is safety. We will work at all times to ensure the safety and well-being of every member of our group. That means that, even within our team, you are responsible for your neighbor. We are here to serve, look after and care for each other as we go out to do the same for the communities we will be serving. The following are the safety and conduct rules that will help us to live and serve as a team:

1. You must participate in all meetings and fund raising activities prior to the service trip. These activities are our community builders. If you have special circumstances that prevent your participation, please see Dave immediately to make alternate arrangements. **I understand that my commitment to the service project team supersedes my participation in other activities. If I need to make an alternate arrangement, I will do so at the time that I submit my service project application. Otherwise, I agree that our team building and fund raising days will take priority over my other activities (scouts, sports, theater, drama, homework, family outings, part-time jobs, etc.) This will take planning on my part. I understand that there will be no last-minute schedule changes.**
____ Student's initials. ____ Parent's initials
2. There will be no alcohol, drug or tobacco use by any member of this team during any project or at any time while we are on our trip.
3. While travelling, we will always move in groups. A small group consists of a minimum of 3 bodies. You may not go out alone. You must be in a small group at all times.
4. We will not make personal phone calls when we are on our trip. Phones will be available for emergency calls. You agree to leave all phones and personal music equipment behind for this experience. You will leave your texting, social media and phone calls behind for the week. Your adult leaders will have phones on hand for emergency use and team coordination only.
5. Do your best to make sure that every member feels at home on our team. The success of this project depends on our strength as a community.
6. Van drivers are in charge of your safety. They will make rules for the vans. Seat belts must be worn at all times when we are in vehicles
7. Prayer services, journal writing, discussions and Mass are important times in our community. You do not need to be a practicing Catholic to be a part of this team, but you are expected to participate as fully as possible.
8. Clean up after yourself. We do not want to be a burden to the people that we are serving. Leave everything you touch in at least as good of a condition as it was when you arrived.
9. If the team leaders feel that you are violating these rules, and that you are threatening the success of the trip or anyone's personal safety, you may be sent home at your own expense. This means purchasing a one-way flight back to Portland. You agree to reimburse us for that expense.
10. In the event that you need to withdraw from the team during our 5 months of preparations, you agree to donate whatever registration fees you have already paid to the project. In the event that the team has already purchased a plane ticket on your behalf, you agree to reimburse the team for the full price of your ticket so as to not negatively affect our ability to meet our community's financial obligations

Please take some time to read and understand these rules. Our ability to form a strong community depends on everybody knowing what to expect from being a member of this team. Sign below to indicate that you and your parents/guardians have read and agree to these rules.

Student's signature

Parent's signature