

ROX Youth Leader Expectations (Volunteer)

What is Youth Group at Roxborough Church?

Roxborough Church gathers a community of 6th through 12 grade students to live life with Jesus together. Youth Group is co—ed, all—welcoming, and Gospel—centered.

During the **school year** (starting on Sunday, 9/7), we will meet on **Sundays** from 4:00pm-7:00pm.

During the **summer**, we meet at many **different times**, such as: one-off events, week-long service trips and multi-day retreat-style trips.

What does a Youth Group leader do?

Consider Jesus' words in John 13 as a model for volunteering with our Youth:

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

John 13:34-35 NIV1

- Follow Jesus—
 - Have a worldview shaped by God's Word. (<u>Psalm 119:105</u>)
 - **Receive** direction from the Lord Jesus. (Matthew 6:33)
 - Practice a rhythm of connecting with God, for example:
 - Listening to / making music
 - Reading and studying the Scriptures
 - Spending time in devotions and prayer
 - Practicing silence, nature walks, or *lectio divina*
 - Traveling on Mission trips.
- Be a person of *love*—

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- **Sacrifice** your time to be with the kids and to pray for them and their families. (Romans 12:1-2)
- **Channel** the love of God which comes to us in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ through your life. (Philippians 1:9)
- Be in community—
 - Be willing to share your personal wrestles with your fellow youth pastors and even (when appropriate) with the students themselves! (Hebrews 10:24-25)
 - **Support** fellow leaders in our relationships with the students, one another and the church at large. Hold us accountable to walk with Jesus. (<u>Galatians 6:2</u>)

What are the responsibilities of Youth leaders?

- Attend 8 out of 10 Youth Group events throughout the year.
 - If you can't make it, please let Jackson know no later than 2 weeks in advance.
- Attend 1 retreat event per year.
 - o Sept. 26-28: <u>Breakaway</u> Middle School Retreat (North East, MD)
 - Oct. 24-26: <u>Blue Mountain Youth Weekend</u> (Blue Mountain Christian Retreat, New Ringgold, PA)
 - o Spring Retreat TBD.
- Pray for the students by name at least once every two weeks (in between events!)
- We are safe presences who keep the students safe.
 - All Youth Group leaders must complete these 3 clearances (please click on the links):
 - **■** FBI Fingerprinting
 - Code: 1KG6ZJ
 - PA Criminal History
 - PA Child Abuse History

What are Youth Group leader character expectations?

- Conflict Resolution
 - Understand the biblical command to go directly to those who sin against us and tell them their fault (Matt 18:15).



- Commit to not harboring bitterness, if for no other reason than your own spiritual health.
- Personal Relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ
 - o Daily pursuit of Him.
 - o Daily reception of His love.
 - o Daily surrender to His will.
 - Stay ready to talk with God (1 Thes. 5:17), even about:
 - Unforgiveness towards people
 - Unconfessed sin

What are the benefits of being a Youth Leader?

- Check-in meetings with Jackson focused on spiritual well-being, as desired.
 - o Can and should expect a meeting at least once every two months.
- Being **prayed for by name** at least once every month.
- Various **books** and/or **printed materials** and **resources**.
 - Focused on personal and interpersonal discipleship, spiritual formation, Christian education, and more.
- Being a mentor.
 - Youth leaders are truly a part of the **discipleship** of the young people of the Greater Roxborough community.

Acknowledgment & Agreement

By signing this document, I acknowledge that I have read and agree to these standards
Print Name:
Signature



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Roxborough Church - Mission

Roxborough Church exists to glorify God by making disciples who know God's love, show God's love, and grow in God's love.

Roxborough Church - Vision

To be disciples of Jesus Christ making disciples of Jesus Christ.

ROX Youth - Mission

"Youth Group is a community of middle school and high school students from 6th through 12th grade that have a desire to grow in their faith, character, and relationships. We focus on living into God's purpose for our lives. Our desire is to reach the North-West section of Philadelphia by investing in our communities and sharing the gospel with our neighbors."