



Information Package

Hey students (parents)!

This year's SERVE trip is going to be held in Byron Michigan from July 13th to the 19th (we will be taking the 20th as an extra day away that we plan ourselves). The host church is Friendship Christian Reformed Church. The work site will be a combination of relational ministry opportunities and physical work. Most groups change work sites daily so that you get a variety of opportunities to serve. Some examples of the work sites are:

- Painting
- Landscaping
- Inside and outside clean up around the Bryon Center area
- Minor home repair

This will be a great opportunity to grow as a group, serve as God has gifted and grow in knowledge of Christ.

This year's SERVE site is done a day early and so we get to plan an extra day away all on our own – this will be a location that the senior students get to help in picking.

If you would like to be part of the SERVE team fill out the application below and give it to Pastor Jon by **March 20th** with a **\$50 deposit** to secure your spot (there are only 8 spots).

Once team members are finalized we will have a meeting with students and parents at which time we will go over the necessary paperwork for travel and how to register (pay) for the trip with Youth Unlimited.

APPLICATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Date of Birth _____ Grade _____ School _____

Why do you wish to be part of the SERVE 2019 trip?

What do you feel you can contribute to the missions trip?

What do you believe you will gain from the experience?

In what area of the church do you currently serve?

Briefly describe your current walk with God.

TEAM MEMBER EXPECTATIONS

The SERVE trip is a major undertaking for leaders, youth, parents, and the entire congregation. It involves a significant investment of time and money on the part of many people. Pastor Jon and the other youth leaders are responsible for ensuring that participants join the team with a positive attitude of cooperation, willingness to work, respect for leaders and other team members, and a willingness to participate in fundraising efforts. With this in mind, the following expectations have been established and should be agreed upon by all team members:

- Team members will participate regularly in Fellowship Youth high school activities, i.e. Sunday mornings, Monday evenings, and events.
- Team members will commit to work for the benefit of others first and personal enjoyment second.
- Team members will respect and listen to leaders, whether they are pastors, other youth, professionals, or volunteers.
- Team members will participate in all activities relating to preparation for the trip as well as reporting to the congregation.
- Team members will participate in all fundraising activities. Insufficient participation will result in being required to pay an additional portion of expenses.
- Team members will clear any necessary absences with leaders prior to the activity or fundraiser.
- Team members will participate in all group activities while on the trip including worship, group sharing, Bible study, prayer, work, and meals.
- Team members found in possession of drugs or alcohol will be sent home immediately at parent's expense.
- Parent's and team members will support the team's efforts by helping students with transportation and planning family activities so that they do not conflict with mission activities whenever possible.
- The success of the mission trip relies on the dedicated effort of every team member. Should a team member choose to repeatedly ignore these expectations, they may be removed from the SERVE team.

Yes, I have read the above expectations and I will do my best to meet them with the understanding that they are established for the benefit of all concerned.

Applicant's signature

Parent's signature

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