

## Christ UMC Youth Trip Covenant – January 2019

At this gathering, we will be doing our best to live together as a family in Christian community. Family life is based on unconditional love, respect, trust, support and spending time together. Each of us as a member of the family is important. To create and maintain this relationship of family and community, all participants – youth and leaders – agree to the following covenant:

As a participant in Christ UMC youth group, my actions will display a Christian example. The items below represent the minimum level of expectations; you can always go above and beyond!

1. I will welcome every individual as a member of our community, whether or not they are from our Church. I will treat other participants, leaders, staff and volunteers with respect at all times.
2. I will participate fully in all events as I am able and assist when asked. I will also seek to identify ways in which I can assist as a member of this community.
3. I will be responsible for my own belongings and respect the property of others.
4. I will be responsible in my expressions of care, concern and physical intimacy.
5. I will not bring or use harmful substances (e.g. Weapons, fireworks, electronic cigarettes, tobacco of any kind, illegal drugs, and alcohol). I recognize that illegal activities are illegal, and will be treated as such on our trip.
6. I will abide by the guidelines set by leaders regarding the use of cell phones and personal electronic devices.
7. I will abide by the guidelines for conduct of any center or facility we are visiting and treat their property with respect.

As a participant in this program, I recognize that I am a part of a Christian family and community. I agree to abide by this Covenant while a member of this community. With serious instances, I may be sent home at the discretion of our team leaders at my own expense. I understand that if I break this Covenant, the following consequences could be put in place:

- I will be asked to personally/publicly apologize to the group.
- I will meet with the lead pastor.
- I will complete a 3 hour community service project that will not contribute toward any other service hours. (The youth pastor(s) will be involved in arranging and working with the student to complete each of these steps.)

Signature of Participant: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Participant: \_\_\_\_\_

### TO BE SIGNED BY PARENT/GUARDIAN:

I have read the Christ UMC youth trip Covenant and understand what is expected of my child. Furthermore I agree to support the consequences listed herein. I also commit to be in prayer for the group while they are on the trip.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_