

WELCOME

Dear Potential Youth Peer Leader,

I'm glad that you are interested in serving in our youth ministry! I believe that solid ministry is built on teens working hard on their faith within the church and community. Being involved not only shows your commitment to serve the Lord but also shows that you are growing in your faith. This is when real spiritual growth will take place in your life.

Youth Ministry requires a substantial amount of commitment at all levels – from members who attend weekly youth meetings to those willing to step up and give a little more than just youth nights. As a Peer Leader you will be challenged on accessing the wealth and diversity of resources within our parish to enhance the youth ministry and our church. You will be required to be full of energy, imagination, compassion, and professionalism.

The quality of our Youth Peer Leaders is very important. I am looking for young men and women who have made a commitment to Christ and a desire to continue their journey in enhancing their faith. With the aid of prayer and consideration, read the enclosed materials. Because I place a great value on this ministry, I place a great value on our Peer Leaders. Once I have your application, I will schedule a meeting with you. All the information will be kept strictly confidential. Youth ministry is a great way to give of your time and serve the Lord. I'm looking forward to meeting with you and spending some time talking about your hopes and desires for ministry. If you have any need to reach me, please feel free to call.

God Bless,

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St. Augustine High School Youth Ministry

Peer Leadership Application

Instructions

(Please print legibly)

1. Read through all the questions before you begin your answers.
2. Answer all the questions that apply.
3. Very Important: When answering these questions, be yourself. There are no right or wrong answers. These questions are simply vehicles for the youth coordinator to learn who you are.
4. Also Very Important: Rest assured that all information will be held in strict confidence by the Youth Ministry Coordinator.

APPLICANTS INFORMATION

Last Name		First Name		MI
Address		City	State	Zip/Postal Code
Phone Number		Email Address		
Birthdate	Age	Grade	Gender	

How often do you attend mass?

Weekly___ Monthly___ Rarely___ Never___

Which mass do you attend?

Saturday: 5:00pm___ 7:00pm___
Sunday: 8:30am___ 10:30am___ 12:30pm___

I would like to help be on the following team:

- Praise and Worship Team Tech Team
 Prep Team Planning Team

As a Peer Leader you will be required to assist with Middle School Ministry once a month on a Thursday. Is there anything that may keep you from helping? _____

Please list any activities or commitments, which might prohibit you from being available on Wednesday nights or weekend retreats.

How would you feel if, after having completed the application form, interview, and/or training for the Peer Leadership Team, you were not selected? _____

When would you be available to meet for an interview? _____

Saint Augustine Catholic Church Peer Leadership Character Reference

A character reference is a tool used to help evaluate youth and their ability to minister in particular situations. Saint Augustine Church is committed to empowering and developing the skills of youth in various programs in the parish. This character reference will be used to identify strengths and weaknesses of youth providing specific services to others in the parish and larger community. It will also be used to help evaluate youth as leaders in the youth ministry and volunteers in specific parish situations and their suitability for various responsibilities.

A character reference may be submitted by the following: parent/legal guardian, principal, coach, teacher, pastor, trusted adult in the parish. The information in this character check will be treated confidentially and may be returned to the youth being evaluated or directly to Saint Augustine Catholic Church Youth Ministry (see below).

Character Check For: _____

How long have you known him/her: _____ Relationship to teen: _____

Please indicate, in your opinion, how well this youth meets the following characteristic. **If you choose 1 or 2 please explain briefly in the space provided below (or on the back) why it was chosen.**

1—Unsatisfactory 2—Poor 3—Fair 4—Good 5—Excellent Don't Know (circle if you don't know or are unable to give an informed opinion)

	1	2	3	4	5	Don't know	Additional Notes:
Safe to work with younger youth						Don't know	
Good judgment						Don't know	
Reliable						Don't know	
Trustworthy						Don't know	
Leadership						Don't know	
Positive attitude						Don't know	
Helpful						Don't know	
Works well with peers						Don't know	
Respectful						Don't know	
Follows instructions						Don't know	
Appropriate boundaries						Don't know	
Role model for others						Don't know	
Professional						Don't know	

By signing below, I recommend the youth indicated above for peer leadership at Saint Augustine. In my opinion this youth demonstrates well the characteristics listed above, with the possible exceptions of any comments I have made. I am also willing to be contacted by the Youth Ministry Coordinator regarding any information I provided on this youth character reference.

Name: _____ Date: _____ Printed Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____