

Student Leader Mission Experience - Henderson Settlement, KY

Dates: Sunday, June 24, 2018 - Saturday, June 30, 2018

Cost: Students \$375.00; Adults \$150.00

(Includes: travel, lodging, meals (on site), fellowship activity)

Purpose: Train student leaders in missional leadership.

Available Spaces: 20 Youth, 7 Adults

Accepting Applications: August 1, 2017 - January 2, 2018

Over the past few years, the Young People's Ministry has been trying to offer opportunities for teens in our Conference to be in mission with one another. We have held mission days, as well as offered many of our churches grants for mission trips. We are hoping to take another step in the mission direction by offering a small mission trip to the Henderson Settlement, June 24-30, 2018.

We are asking that you consider sending one or two of your students on this trip with us. Our goal for the trip is to create an experience where teens will be highly involved in the planning and leadership, training them to be able to co-lead trips for their own congregations. Those going on the trip will be asked to lead in many ways throughout our time together. This will begin before the group leaves with coordination groups. Teens will be placed into one of three groups:

Devotions Group - responsible for creating journaling & small group questions

Entertainment Group - responsible for fully planning a fellowship activity for entire group

Pit Stop Group - responsible for planning stops along the route to and from the Henderson Settlement

These groups will serve two purposes. First, introducing the student leaders to one another before going on the trip together. Second, providing some hands-on experience in planning and executing portions of a mission trip. Each group will have two adult mentors to assist and provide supervision, but much of the responsibility will be on the student leaders. Most planning sessions will happen online, and will likely not require travel for the teen.

Our goal is not to provide a mission trip for youth groups to attend, but to provide an opportunity for teens from smaller congregations, teens with a passion for mission, or teens craving leadership training a chance to shape their mission experience.

As you wrap up this summer, and start looking to next summer, please keep this mission experience in mind. If you had a youth that was highly impacted by a trip this summer encourage him/her to join us next year. If you won't have enough youth for a full trip next summer, join our group. We hope this will be a great learning experience for everyone involved.

Blessings,

Audrey Wilder

Director of Young People's Ministry

Susquehanna Conference, UMC

Youth Application *Henderson Settlement Mission Experience*

Filling out this application is an indication of interest in attending the Young People's Ministry Mission Trip to the Henderson Settlement. This is not your registration. You will be asked for registration information at a later time. The information from this application will be used to select the 20 youth members of the team.

YOUTH INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail _____ Phone () _____ (preferably cell)

Gender: _____ Age _____ Grade Completed in June 2018 _____

Church Name: _____ Pastor Name: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address (if different from youth): _____

E-mail _____

Cell Phone () _____ Home Phone () _____

I give my consent for adult members of the Young People's Ministry Council to contact my child directly via text and email, with information pertaining to Henderson Settlement Mission Trip with the Susquehanna Conference.

I DO NOT give my consent for adult members of the Young People's Ministry Council to contact my child directly via text and email, with information pertaining to Henderson Settlement Mission Trip with the Susquehanna Conference.

Parent/Guardian Initials

Date

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Please explain your previous mission experiences, if any.

Why do you wish to participate?

What do you hope to learn from your time in Kentucky?

How will your church support you before and after you participate in the mission trip?

Team members will be placed into coordinating groups before the trip begins. Please rank the following 3 groups in order of preference. (1-favorite; 2-happy to do it; 3-sounds good)

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