



# First United Methodist Church Youth Activity/Trip Covenant

*“Treat others just as you want to be treated.”* Jesus - Luke 6:31 CEV

*“Do no harm. Do all the good you can. By all the means you can.  
In all the ways you can. To all the people you can.”* John Wesley 1743

These guidelines are to inform youth of how they need to conduct themselves at any FUMC youth activity. These guidelines were not established to take away any youth’s privileges from or the fun out of any FUMC youth activity, but were established to protect each youth and enable the entire youth group, advisors, chaperones and youth director to have a great experience at all youth activities. If a youth does not abide by these guidelines as directed by the youth director or authorized chaperone the parent(s) or guardian(s) will be asked to pickup the youth or return the youth at their expense.

**Activity Guidelines:** Youth must stay with the group in the designated area(s) while attending UMYF function. Youth are to respect and follow requests made by the youth director, advisors, and chaperones. Youth should not have to be asked or told more than once to do something. No matches or lighters are permitted. Youth are to stay in groups of three or more when an adult is not present. Youth are never to go anywhere alone. Only movies rated PG-13 or below are allowed to be viewed at or on any youth activity. No music with explicit language allowed. Displays of affection are restricted to holding hands only. Fireworks are strictly prohibited from being used by, purchased by, or in the possession of any youth. Alcohol, tobacco, drugs, and weapons of any kind are strictly prohibited from being used by, purchased by, or in the possession of any youth. Use of prescription drugs must be preapproved. Foul, disrespectful and un-Christian language will not be tolerated. No bullying. Swim suits should be appropriate and sunscreen must be worn. Cell phone use and possession will be limited or prohibited at some youth activities.

**Trip Guidelines:** Guests or friends on any outing are to be pre-arranged with the youth director. Males are not allowed in designated female sleeping areas and vice-versa unless accompanied by an adult or the youth director. Youth can be in rooms together if there is more than one boy and one girl in the room and the room door is open. Youth are to stay in groups of three or more when an adult is not present. Youth are never to go anywhere alone and are not to leave hotel rooms by themselves or after curfew. Youth are forbidden to abuse or deface facilities, and are forbidden to abuse, deface, or steal property. While riding in church vehicles seatbelts must be worn at all times. Trip deposits are due on the day of the registration deadline and are non-refundable unless either some one else is found to take the youth’s place, there is a death in the family, or the youth has an illness which prevents them from attending. Deposits turned in before the deadline can be refunded until the deadline date. Late registration may be accepted, but neither room on the trip or a bed will be guaranteed. The final cost for the trip is due the Sunday before the trip unless other wise noted by the youth director. Official FUMC youth trip deposits envelopes must be used when turning in money for youth activities. Medical release forms must be filled out by very youth regardless of age.

I have read the above guidelines, and agree to follow and support them at all First United Methodist youth activities.

Youth Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



# First United Methodist Church Youth Trip Guidelines

1. Always remember the Youth Covenant guidelines that you signed in order to attend the trip.
2. Always act in a Christian like manner which means we'll all have a lot more fun together.
3. Guests or friends on any outing are to be pre-arranged with the youth director.
4. Males are not allowed in designated female sleeping areas and vice-versa unless accompanied by an adult or the youth director. (Youth can only be in rooms together if there is more than one boy and one girl in the room and the room door is open.)
5. Youth are to stay in groups of three or more when an adult is not present. Youth are never to go anywhere alone and are not to leave hotel rooms by themselves or after curfew.
6. Youth are forbidden to abuse or deface facilities, and are forbidden to abuse, deface, or steal property.
7. While riding in church vehicles seatbelts must be worn at all times.
8. Trip deposits are due on the day of the registration deadline and are non-refundable unless either someone else is found to take the youth's place, there is a death in the family, or the youth has an illness which prevents them from attending. Deposits turned in before the deadline can be refunded until the deadline date.
9. Late registration may be accepted, but neither room on the trip or a bed will be guaranteed.
10. The final cost for the trip is due the Sunday before the trip unless otherwise noted by the youth director.
11. Official FUMC youth trip deposits envelopes must be used when turning in money for youth activities.
12. FUMC Medical release forms must be filled out by everyone regardless of age.

*I have read the above guidelines, and hereby agree to follow and support them on all First United Methodist youth trips.*

Youth Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_