



Application for Cornerstone
Rocky Mountain Synod – Middle School Youth
Gathering
January 12th-15th, 2012, Colorado Springs, CO
www.rmselfca.org/msyg

The Middle School Youth Gathering planning team is seeking faithful and responsible young adults to serve as Cornerstone. An applicant must be a junior or senior in high school or between the ages of 18-25. Please read the details below. If you feel called to serve throughout this special weekend, then prayerfully consider serving as part of Cornerstone for the 2012 Middle School Youth Gathering.

APPLICATIONS DUE DECEMBER 1st. NOTIFICATION DECEMBER 10th.

Selection process will be attentive to balance of gender, race, geographic representation of our synod.

Expectations and Responsibilities:

- + Be welcoming and hospitable to all guests of the Gathering (answering/directing questions, building excitement, offering support through your own participation).
- + Build authentic relationships through peer ministry skills and utilizing your own unique gifts.
- + Assist with all set-up and departing tasks.
- + Be respectful of the planning team, fellow Cornerstone, adult leaders and youth attending the Gathering.
- + Receive and follow all Safe Haven Guidelines and Covenants for the weekend, including appropriate adult/youth boundaries and guidelines for personal conduct.
- + Act as a team member.
- + **A Cornerstone must be able to participate in the Peer Ministry and Safe Haven training beginning Thursday evening, January 12th, at 8:00pm in Colorado Springs. And serve through-out the entire MSYG weekend which ends Sunday, January 15th, at 1pm.**
- + Inform Cornerstone leader, Tim Plumb, in a timely manner if you are unable to fulfill the responsibilities of a Cornerstone, once you have been selected. If you cancel after flights or room reservations have been made and paid in your name, you will be responsible for the cost of the ticket or any additional un-reimbursable costs.

Skills, Characteristics and Gifts desired:

- + A growing faith in Jesus Christ.
- + Love and respect for all God's creation as reflected in one's choices and actions.
- + Enjoys spending time with people, especially youth.
- + Ability to communicate effectively - listening and sharing.
- + Positive role model in daily life and in ALL personal, electronic and web communications.
- + Patient + Trustworthy + Reliable.
- + An advocate for the youth and their role and gifts in our church.
- + Willingness to share one's own unique gifts with others.
- + Practices grace and forgiveness.

Provisions/Benefits

- * Utilizing one's gifts to contribute to the life and ministry of the Rocky Mountain Synod.
- *Member of a dynamic team.
- *Experiencing and contributing to a safe, creative, life-giving environment.
- *Meeting people from across the Rocky Mountain Synod.
- * A vital part of ministry with our youth.
- * Shared housing Thurs/Fri/Sat at the Crowne Plaza in Colorado Springs.
- * All housing and meals while serving on-site as a Cornerstone Peer Minister.
- * Training in: Peer Ministry, Safe Haven and effective Cross+Generational interactions.

If you are interested in applying for one of 20 positions, fill out the application below and email it by December 1st to:

Tim Plumb tjplumb@gmail.com

Or send snail mail: % Linda Staats, RMS, 455 Sherman St., Suite 160, Denver, CO 80203

Name _____ Name by which I want to be called _____

M F Birth Date _____ E-Mail _____

Cell Phone or Best # to reach you _____

Mailing Address _____

Currently a student at, or employed at _____

The reasons I want to serve as a Cornerstone Peer Minister:

I have the following gifts/characteristics: (Check all that are true for you)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Like and enjoy being with youth | <input type="checkbox"/> Patience |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Laugh at self and with others | <input type="checkbox"/> Music |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crafts | <input type="checkbox"/> Drama |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Artistic | <input type="checkbox"/> Prayer & concern for others |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leading Games | <input type="checkbox"/> Design/Decorating |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Talking/Listening | <input type="checkbox"/> Organizing/Administration |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership | <input type="checkbox"/> Flexible, think on my feet |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Teaching | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Self-directed and self monitoring | <input type="checkbox"/> Cross-cultural awareness |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reflect & summarize situation around me | <input type="checkbox"/> Writing/Journaling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Work effectively in a group setting with adults and youth | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | |

I have health/accident insurance: Yes No

I am available all the dates/times listed for this event: Yes No

(If no, please explain at the end of this application)

I am willing to provide personal info for a background check: Yes No

Congregation Name

Location

Personal Reference: Name and contact information of an ELCA pastor, rostered leader or congregational staff person who knows you well and can affirm your gifts to serve:

Pastor's/Rostered Leader's Name	Congregation and Location
E-mail	Phone #

- If returning this application by email, CC the contact you have named above.
- If returning this application by snail mail, then give a copy to your reference.

Questions:

Please Contact Tim Plumb (3720.280.7222) tjplumb@gmail.com

OR

Linda Staats, Assistant to the Bishop for Youth & Household Ministry
lstaats@rmselca.org (602.740.3752)

Write here anything else you want Tim and the MSYG Planning Team to know about you: