

CONFERENCE COUNCIL ON YOUTH MINISTRIES

Conference Council on Youth Ministries (CCYM) is a group of youth and adults representing each district in the conference that provide leadership for youth ministries in the conference. Also they provide leadership in each of their respective districts.

From each district there are 5 youth and 2 adults. The youth are selected by nomination/application in consultation with the District Superintendent and Adult District Youth Coordinators. The Adult District Youth Coordinators are selected by the District Lay Leadership Team and voted by the District Conference.

CCYM CRITERIA and RESPONSIBILITIES:

Be a confirmed member of the United Methodist Church in Missouri and at least 14 years of age.

Be active in the youth ministry and congregational life of the local church of which he/she is a member.

Be active in the district youth of which he/she represents and provide leadership to ensure youth ministry is happening on a district level.

Attend all CCYM meetings and events, serving on the leadership team of a Workcamp and Confirmation retreat/confirmation day, attend WOW, unless excused by contacting the Conference youth coordinator and/or the Adult district youth coordinator. Two absences of meetings can result in replacement or unable to serve on a leadership team for at least one of the ministries.

Will sign and abide by the CCYM covenant.

Will have a health form on file with the Conference Youth Coordinator.

Will publicize, promote and encourage churches within their district to participate in conference and district youth ministry opportunities.

Will lift up Youth Service Fund as a mission opportunity for youth to support by raising the goal for their church.

Will make the summer CCYM retreat a priority

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION:

To have a good representation of persons from across the district, geographical, size of church, ethnic, and gender. It is asked that there be no more than two persons from the same church.

To have persons who exhibit good leadership skills, ability to lead small groups, and speak in front of groups

To have persons growing in their faith, able to express that journey.

Once a person is selected, they will serve until graduation, unless they resign prior or fail to abide by the covenant and expectations.

The year begins with a retreat in the summer. There are four meetings per year: summer retreat, fall meeting, meeting the Friday night before WOW, and a spring meeting. Persons are added during the year, if there are vacancies. These meetings and Conference events must be a priority and willingness to serve as leaders.

To apply: Fill out the application and mail to Beverly Boehmer, 3601 Amron Ct., Columbia, MO 65202. The application will then be forwarded to the District Youth Coordinators.