

NEW HEIGHTS STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM

Information and Expectations



Thank you for considering leading with our New Heights Youth! We here at New Heights seek to be a place where teenagers like yourself can learn what it means to walk by faith, communicate their faith, and multiply their faith. We desire to partner with your family to train and equip the next generation to love God, His Word, His people, and to see the Gospel go out into the world. You expressing a desire to lead in our youth means that you want to help us do this!

Leadership is a choice, however. This isn't just the "next step" of the youth program. This team isn't just for the "select few". It isn't for the cute, fun, or popular. Leadership isn't about being extroverted or outgoing. Being a leader is a personal commitment to carry out a cause. For us at New Heights, that cause is Jesus and in helping the next generation make Him known.

The most meaningful commitments are tough to keep, but they are worth the effort because our priorities determine who we are and who we are becoming. This team will be an incredible opportunity for you to grow as a leader and learn how to follow through on commitments. Each student will learn how to take ownership and be a part of a cause greater than themselves.

Maybe you're thinking, "I come to New Heights every week, invited friends, participated in events - doesn't that make me a leader?" Not necessarily. It makes you a regular face around here, but a leader does more than just show up. A leader is committed to the cause, serves others, sees what needs to get done to make New Heights better and does it. We see a great example of that from Jesus in Matthew 20:25-28, *"But Jesus called them [the disciples] to him and said, 'You know that the rules of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, even as the Son of man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'"*

This application will help you understand the leadership commitment, and it's our goal that you will reach this high standard. I expect a lot from our leaders because this was the model Jesus taught for leadership. Still interested? Good! Keep reading 😊

In Christ,

Grant Winslow

Pastor for Student and Family Ministry

Washington Heights Baptist Church

Please note that this is ONLY open to students in 10-12th grade.

New Heights Leadership Commitment

In The Student Leadership Team with New Heights I am Committed to...

- **A Relationship With Christ**

- I make my personal relationship with Jesus a priority because He is Lord over all areas of my life.

- **To Growing in Christ**

- I am committed to growing in my walk with Jesus
 - To be discipled by an older Christian and to have a mentor
 - I am committing to spiritual growth through the following habits:
 - Staying connected with New Heights Youth on Wednesday nights
 - Reading God's Word daily
 - Developing an attitude of worshiping God all the time
 - Talking with God in prayer
 - Helping others to do the same

- **Serving because of Christ**

- I am committing to serve New Heights Youth ministry on a consistent basis

- **Living a Fully Devoted Follower Lifestyle**

- I am committed to a lifestyle that includes my choices, actions, words, and attitudes that are reflective of Jesus. Not just while at church or youth functions, but throughout all areas of my life.

- **Serving my School Campus**

- I am committed to serving my school by displaying the love of Jesus through my life. I have a desire to see revival at my school for the expansion of the Kingdom of God. This is true no matter the schooling I am involved in - from homeschooling co-ops, Christian schools, and public.

- **Being a Contributing Member of the New Heights Leadership Team**

- I am committing to attend Wednesday Nights and serving other students in order to expose everyone to a loving community
- I am committing to attend all scheduled student leadership meetings
- I am committing to attending at least 2 of the following:
 - DNow Weekend, Winter Retreat, or Mission Trip
- I am committing to be an enthusiastic fan of the New Heights Youth ministry
- I am committing to pursue God honoring dating relationships
- I am committing to honor God in all social media posts and internet interactions
- I am committing to honor and respect all WHBC and New Heights leadership/staff
- I am committing to making church services (WHBC or otherwise) an important part of my worship of Jesus
- I am committing to honor God in my school work. I am a student first.

Applicant's Statement

We are asking a lot from student leaders and because of this, we realize leadership isn't for everyone. Many people won't want to rise to the level of commitment we are asking. Others might not have enough time to be able to commit to the requirements of New Heights Student Leadership. If student leadership isn't for you, don't worry about it. You don't need to be on the team to help out. Please help us continue to reach our vision and consider applying at a later time. Not being involved in Student Leadership isn't necessarily a measure of your spiritual maturity or your commitment to New Heights/the church. We want to help you grow no matter where you are at or what your involvement with New Heights Youth looks like.

While we are asking a lot, there are also benefits for our Student Leaders. High requirements, but also high rewards. You will have more personal time with New Heights leadership, namely Pastor Grant, in planning the year. *Meeting once a month with time and day TBD.* We want to invest in the lives of our leaders. In addition you will have opportunities for training and service in Hew Heights that will only be available to our student leaders. Finally, as a member of the Student Leadership Team, you will be connected to an outstanding community of believers who strive to put God first and serve the Kingdom. This group can be a powerful resource for fun, encouragement, support, and being challenged in your faith!

I declare by my signature below that the information contained in this application is true and accurate to the best of my recollection and knowledge. I have read through all of the documents and understand them. I will commit myself to follow these expectations, guidelines, and policies as presented by WHBC and New Heights Youth. I also understand that failure to commit to these may result in my removal from the leadership team.

The applicant would sign this on the application and then hit submit. Pastor Grant will then review it and reach out to schedule a time for an interview.

If you are interested in applying, scan the QR Code below or go to whbc.org/students:

