

Northwood Presbyterian Youth Group  
Youth Covenant of Conduct

In all things we serve to faithfully proclaim the message of Christ's love through acceptance of others without prejudice, responsibility for personal actions and language, hospitality and service to a world desperate for the light of God so that God would be glorified in the reflection of what we say and do.

In accordance with the Holy Scriptures, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and the Youth Committee of Northwood Presbyterian Church we hereby ask all who enter into our church, attend our places of gatherings and events to bind themselves to this covenant. Please read this covenant carefully. Your signature signifies that you agree to uphold this covenant while you are at Northwood Presbyterian Church or attend any of its functions or ministries off campus.

1. Adults and youth will sign in and sign out, provide emergency contact person information while under the direction and care of Northwood Presbyterian Church.
2. Language deemed inappropriate will not be used. Cussing, jokes that would discriminate race or gender, sexual harassment, or malicious intent shall not be tolerated.
3. Physical harassment and abuse will not be tolerated. This includes sexual harassment, intimidation and fighting.
4. While on campus young persons are not to leave the Family Life Center, Youth Room or event unless an adult has directed otherwise or arrangements have been made between the person and charge and a parent/guardian.
5. Physical contact between genders will be limited between young persons while in the care of Northwood Presbyterian Church. There will be no sitting or lying on laps, kissing or other forms of physical contact deemed inappropriate by staff or youth advisors.
6. Young men and women under the age of 18 will not be allowed to be in mixed company without the presence of an adult leader or staff.
7. Persons under the age of 14 must always be in the presence of adult supervision during off campus events.
8. Seat Belts will be worn on all trips. There will be no jumping over seats, seat switching or behavior that would distract the driver or jeopardize safety of any vehicle under the direction of Northwood Presbyterian Church.
9. People under the age of 18 must leave with the party they arrived with unless verbal or written permission is given by a parent/guardian to the person in charge of the Northwood Presbyterian Church event or ministry.
10. Person's ages 18 or older will not transport minors unless verbal/written permission from a minor's parent/guardian is given.
11. Person's leaving Northwood Presbyterian Church or events before said event or activity has ended must tell an adult leader, sign out and not come back to the church or event unless prior arrangements have been made between the person in charge and a parent/guardian.

Failure to uphold the standard of this covenant will result in students and adults from attending events and activities of Northwood Presbyterian Church. Discipline will be;

1. Verbal warning by staff in charge of program
2. Verbal warning and written warning that will be signed by parent/guardian of minor. Persons 18 yrs of age or older will sign for themselves.
3. Second written warning describing said behavior in question, signed by parent/guardian and person will be prohibited from attending Northwood events for a period of time set by staff in charge.
4. If behavior does not improve by third warning a meeting with the pastoral staff, parents and young person/adult will be arranged to discuss options of discipline and future attendance of Northwood events.

Northwood Presbyterian Church recognizes none of us are perfect and all fall short of the standard of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The youth ministry team at Northwood covenants with you that we will use grace, compassion, prayer, the collective wisdom of our sisters and brothers in Christ, scripture and the Holy Spirit to guide, disciple, discipline, teach and instruct people of all races, gender, age and creeds so that all may know the love of Jesus Christ and glorify God.

Minister/Staff/Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Person attending \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Person attending (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Information (please print name) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

In case I can't be reached please contact \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_