

XA STUDENT MINISTRY
SPONSOR APPLICATION

2015

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Thank you for your willingness to serve our Lord as well as the students of First Baptist Church Allen. Please understand that we cannot take everyone that applies as a sponsor. Sponsors have many duties that are specifically tailored to the students and the activities in which they will participate. We attempt to match perceived strengths of individuals with the specific needs of each trip. Also, please understand that not being chosen is not a negative reflection on you.

The primary purpose of each sponsor is to provide spiritual direction and strong leadership. Sponsors are also chaperones and servants for the students and the ministries with which we partner. Sponsors are expected to be active in all scheduled activities.

Sponsors will be expected to:

1. Remember that each Student Ministry event is for the students.
2. Serve the students.
3. Strive to enable students to have a positive experience.
4. Enforce disciplinary action as deemed necessary.
5. Keep the students on task and acting in a manner that represents themselves, their family, First Baptist Allen, and our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Application

The Student Ministry staff will review all applications and applicants will be notified regarding the decision. Incomplete applications will not be accepted. A completed application includes the following:

1. **Completed Application Form**
2. **Current Background Check on file with First Baptist Church Allen**
3. **Signed Covenant and Commitment Page**

Applicants new to the Student Ministry may be scheduled for an **interview** as part of the application process.

Trip Cost

The cost for each for each sponsor is paid for by the Student Ministry of First Baptist Allen. The sponsor will be expected to pay the same out-of-pocket expenses on the trip that is required of the students (i.e. certain meals, spending money, etc.).

Spiritual Commitment Criteria

All FBC sponsored events are a direct extension of the FBC ministry family and purpose. All sponsors are to express a lifestyle of spiritual commitment in the following areas:

1. A personal commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.
2. Baptized after salvation experience.
3. Active in church ministries (Bible Fellowship Group, Student Ministry, Music Ministry, etc.)

Sponsor Application

Please complete all information on this application and sign. **An incomplete application will not be accepted.** Please print neatly.

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Gender: M / F T-shirt Size: _____

Email Address: _____

How long have you been a member of First Baptist Church? _____

Spouse's Name: _____

Children's Names & Ages: _____

Briefly describe who Jesus Christ is to you.

Have you been baptized since trusting Christ as your Savior; if so, when? Give an example of a time you shared your faith in Christ with a non-believer.

Have you completed the evangelism training course? _____

What would your response be if someone asked you, "What does it mean to be a Christian?"

Please indicate all church ministries with which you were involved during this past year:

List Student Ministry events in which you have already participated: _____

If you are presently involved in XA Student Ministry, please explain your role and your length of involvement:

Please list the Student Ministry event(s) in which you would like to participate? Why?

How would you respond to conflict between two students?

How would you respond to conflict with another sponsor?

Ministry to students can be challenging at times! In what ways are you personally equipped or gifted to minister to students?

Do you have any current physical conditions that would hinder your ability to serve freely as a student sponsor? (i.e., walking long distances at a rapid pace, late nights and early mornings, etc.)?

If needed, are you able and comfortable with driving a 15-passenger church van? (Note: You will need to obtain permission through the church office to qualify to drive any church related vehicles.)

Yes: _____ No: _____

Do you have a CDL Driving License?

Yes: _____ No: _____

Covenant & Commitments

I am committed to prepare myself spiritually. I am aware that as a sponsor, I am responsible for elements of my spiritual preparation (i.e., personal devotional time). I will also hold the students accountable for their spiritual preparation and devotional time. **1 Peter 3:15**

Initial _____

I will submit to the church leadership and will show support for those appointed by our leadership. I will also encourage unity among the students through my words and actions. **Ephesian 4:3**

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I understand that I will be called to counsel with students of the same gender at camp, and will keep the conversations that take place confidential, unless the situation may harm the student or others, in which case I must immediately notify the Student Minister. **Proverbs 11:13**

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I understand that by my signature, I am agreeing to all requirements listed in this covenant. **Hebrews 4:16**

Sponsor's Signature _____ Date _____

After you have completed this application, please print, sign then return to the Student Ministry staff.