

Grand Valley Methodist Youth Ministries 2019-2020 Youth Participation Covenant

During meetings, events, and trips under the sponsorship and guidance of the Grand Valley Methodist Youth, I recognize that I am a representative of the Christian community and I am responsible for my actions. By participating in the ministries of this group, I agree to abide by the following guidelines.

- I will recognize that everyone in the group is a part of the body of Christ. I will embrace inclusiveness by making sure that everyone feels welcome and important.
- I will respect the physical and emotional well-being of others by “doing unto others as I would have them do unto me”.
- I will respect the health of my own body by refraining from the use of tobacco, alcohol, and illegal drugs.
- I will respect the things I use and the property of the places I visit. The areas used for all events, including transportation, will be left clean and returned to their original state.
- I will participate fully in group activities and abide by additional group guidelines made during a special event or trip.
- I will act appropriately with others in regard to our physical bodies. I will refrain from being alone with a significant other and from public displays of affection. I will keep my body separate from everyone else’s body (no lap sitting, laying, etc.)
- I will respect parents and other adults who are in charge. I will respond positively, do jobs assigned, and follow directions.
- I will stay within group or assigned sub-group at all times. I will not wander off alone or leave the activity site unless granted permission by an adult.
- I will hold safety in the highest regard and refrain from compromising the safety of myself or of others.
- I will provide a trusting environment for my peers. I will listen while others are talking. When others share something about themselves in a group discussion, I will not repeat that information to other friends not present in the group at that time.
- I will respect the effort that others have put into the program and be fully present with those around me by silencing and putting away all electronic devices during youth activities and events.
- I will take initiative to inform my guests of their responsibility to follow these guidelines when they visit the group or participate in an event or trip.

By signing my name below, I acknowledge that I have read and understand the above statements. I will do my best to uphold these expectations as a member of Grand Valley Methodist Youth and the body of Christ.

Signature of Youth

Date

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and Redlands United Methodist Churches.**