

# Confirmation



*Be diligent in these matters; give yourself wholly to them,  
so that everyone may see your progress. -1 Timothy 4:15*

## **2017 Confirmation Class Requirements**

### **Worship Attendance- Beginning September 11**

For the duration of the school year, potential confirmands will be expected to attend worship 3 out of every 4 weeks, at any Sunday morning worship service.

-To be counted as present during worship, sign the clipboard located at each worship service.

#### ***What if my family is out of town on a Sunday morning?***

If you attend worship at another church while on vacation, either bring the bulletin from that worship service or picture message Neal (203-241-4051) with a pic of you and the pastor for attendance credit.

### **Small Group Participation- Beginning September 11**

For the duration of the school year, potential confirmands will be expected to participate in a small group 3 out of every 4 weeks.

-Sunday School – Sunday mornings

-SPARK (youth group) – Sunday evenings, 6:00 PM

-Bible Study – Wednesday afternoons, 5:00 PM

-Choir and Orchestra – Thursday evenings, 7:00 PM

- “3 out of 4 weeks” must be maintained to be eligible to continue in the program.
- Plan accordingly for school vacations.

### **Kick-Off Informational Meeting – October 20**

The meeting is required for all potential confirmands and at least one parent.

-Meet at the Carriage House at 7:00-8:00 PM.

### **Weekly Classes**

Classes meet on Thursday afternoons, 4:30-6:00 PM, in the Carriage House.

-Be on time. There is a full 90 minutes of material to cover each week. A class that is delayed in starting will dismiss late.

November 3, 10, 17

February 2, 9, 23

December 1, 8, 15, 22

March 2, 16, 23, 30

January 5, 12, 19, 26

April 6, 20

#### ***What if I have to miss a class?***

Confirmands are allowed a maximum of three class misses. If you must miss a class:

1. Call or TXT Neal’s mobile phone at 203-241-4051 before the class begins. That way the class isn’t waiting for you.
  2. Read the chapter, look up all the Scripture references, and write out the answers to all the questions.
  3. Come 30 minutes early the following week to go over the missed material.
- A fourth class miss means the potential confirmand is withdrawing him/herself from the program.

#### ***What if it is snowing?***

Please familiarize yourself with our weather cancellation policy. (please see the reverse page)

## **Mandatory Retreat Weekend - March 10-12, 2017**

The retreat is a required event for all confirmands. The cost for meals, lodging, and materials will be \$145 per person, and registration will be held separately. (If this fee presents a burden, we can extend you a scholarship up to the full amount.)

-Friday, March 10, through Sunday, March 12, 2017.

## **Rehearsal**

All confirmands will meet in the sanctuary on Saturday, April 22, at 4:00-6:00, for rehearsal.

## **Confirmation Sunday**

Confirmation Sunday is April 23, 2017.

## **Weather Cancellation Policy**

1. We do not automatically follow the school district's cancellation decisions. Even if school is cancelled for the day, if weather and road conditions improve, we will likely hold our event.
2. A decision will be made at least 90 minutes prior to the start time of the event.
3. Should we decide to cancel the event, we will announce via TXT messages, Email notifications, and website updates.
4. If the road conditions are questionable or if the weather is likely to worsen during the scheduled meeting time, please check your phone, Email, or the website before leaving your home. Please do not call asking about the meeting, as the text messages, website, and Email will tell you everything you need to know.

## **Our Bulk Text Messaging System**

At Jesse Lee Youth, we use a bulk text messaging system to enhance communications to our members and their parents. As we collect cell phone numbers via our medical release and other registration forms, they are automatically added to the bulk texting system. Parents and members can opt out of receiving text messages by replying STOP to any message they receive.

If you are not receiving our text messages but would like to, please let us know.

## **Annual Medical Release Form**

A satisfactorily-completed, printed, and signed Annual Medical Release Form is required to be on file for everyone participating in the Confirmation Journey. Release forms can be found on our website.