

Core Teen Interview

Name:

Email:

Cell:

Group texts?

Parent email:

T-shirt size:

Birthdate:

Why interested in being core leader?

Which life teen projects have you participated in in the past and what were your roles/ what did you do?

What talents do you possess that will enable you to lead the program?

List any extracurricular commitments you will have during the 2016/2017 school year and their schedule

You have expressed interest in (or are being invited to) BECOME A CORE TEEN MEMBER!

Core Teens are such an integral part of the youth ministry confirmation journey. As a CORE TEEN, you will have lots of opportunities to mentor the upcoming 2017 confirmation class, share your faith journey experiences, participate in many social outings, service outings and lead others through the process to confirmation. We have many different roles this year where we need your help.

Below is an outline of the process to become a CORE TEEN member.

1. Fill out the School Reference Form and Minor Volunteer form.
2. Answer Interview questions.
3. Get involved early and often! Showing up for the summertime fun and service events is one way to show your commitment to remaining a part of our community.
4. Carefully consider your ability to commit
 - a. Weekly regular attendance (to be reviewed by semester if you're meeting regular commitment)
 - b. Consider your extracurricular commitments for next school year as well.
5. Selections for spots in each role will be made in the first week of September and will be made based on
 - a. Summer participation (taking in to account what you're able to do while working around travel plans and job commitments)
 - b. Interviews (which will take place in August, dates to be determined)
 - c. Participation in at least 1 core training session
 - d. Other factors as adult leaders deem necessary and important to the decision making process
6. Read over the roles and think about where you are most interested in helping out.
 - a. **Group Leadership-** this role requires your regular attendance at our planning meetings (Wednesday nights) and at the confirmation sessions (Sunday nights). As a leader, you will be given opportunities to lead in many different facets; we are looking for people who show initiative and who are comfortable (or wish to become comfortable) speaking in front of groups. Group leaders are responsible for regularly and reliably communicating with their small group of confirmation candidates, attending Wednesday night planning meetings and taking initiative in preparing content for Sunday night session.
 - b. **Service Leadership-** this role is about attending and helping with service opportunities throughout the year; it requires less of a regular commitment of your time than the group leadership, but still means you must be ready to show initiative, take charge of an operation and lead a group of teens in the tasks associated with the service projects.

- c. **Behind the scenes crew-** in this role, you will be setting up and breaking down room arrangements (chairs and tables), in the kitchen preparing food and drink trays; serving food and cleaning up after confirmation session. You will be expected to be available on a fairly regular basis on Sunday afternoons and evenings beginning before 5pm mass (at 3:45pm).
- d. **Co-catechist (classroom help)-** If education is your intended career, then consider helping out in one of our classrooms (grades K-7th grade); catechists need a helper or assistant in the room to help with classroom management, project tasks, and other things. This role requires a 24 week commitment to be present in class each and every week; as well as being available to communicate with your assigned catechists during the week.
- e. **Confirmation Retreat Leader-** These leaders will be chosen from those in all the CORE teen roles who show leadership, commitment, reliability and desire to spread their faith. Attendance *and active participation* in service projects, teen mass (5pm Sunday), Sunday confirmation session, Wednesday planning meetings and other youth ministry initiatives will all be considered when selecting confirmation retreat leaders
 - i. Retreat leaders are required to – attend the retreat for which they are chosen; closely mentor confirmation candidates, participate in all meetings, trainings and planning events prior to their designated retreat, and submit in writing answers to these questions- why do you want to go on retreat as a leader? What can you bring to this retreat and to the candidates that will enhance their experience?
- f. **Skits and Games** - These are leaders will be given an opportunity to think of skits and new games for either a Wednesday bonding and/or our Sunday night program. There are topics that we have an opportunity to perform a dramatization of the talk.
- g. **Witness talks-** Prepare witness talk. Type talk up so Rita, Evan and Father Matthew read and discuss. On the Wednesday night prior to Sunday you will need to present to Wednesday night group.
- h. **MASS** - Attend mass and participate as Usher, lector, bearer of gift. Make a signup sheet and do rotations for the Mass. Reserve pews prior to Mass.

Participation in the summer is part of the selection process

You must attend at least one of our Core leadership day retreats. Attendance one or as many summer services will help with our decision on the role we feel you can fulfill.

Core peer ministry program:

- Eligible (confirmed)
- Committed to our teen program
- Attend mass every week (5pm Sunday highly suggested).
- Participate in mass (usher, lector, gifts, alter server, Eucharistic ministers, etc)
- Attend at least one of the trainings (preferably to attend all)
- Attend core planning & formation meetings (wed nights). If you miss you must be responsible and get the information from your group leaders and adult
- Attend teen nights (Sunday nights)
- Attend service projects on a regular basis
- You will be held accountable for all announcements sent through email, facebook and groupme (texts)
- Be willing to lead prayers, witness (personal story) or make announcements for groups
- Accept & treat all teen members and confirmation candidates as brothers and sisters of Christ
- Conduct yourself in a Christian manner at all times

Teens: by signing the line below, you state that if you become a leader for the 2016-2017 school year you agree with the following statement:

“I understand the responsibilities of a Core peer leader and agree to fulfill all of the responsibilities to the best of my ability. I also verify that I properly meet all eligibility requirements.”

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parents: I, _____, the parent or legal guardian of _____

understand the commitment my child has made to St. Benedict Teen program. By signing below, I agree to support my child and provide necessary transportation in order for my child to attend the regularly scheduled meetings, retreat, day of reflection, and other special events.

Parent name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____