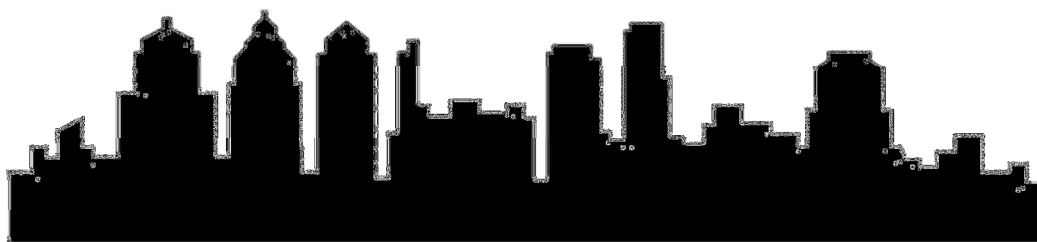




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# MISSIONS 2019



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**Please fill out application in its entirety and bring it to your interview.**

# *About the Trip*

## **The Philadelphia Project (open to all high school students)**

**Date:** July 28-August 3, 2019

### **Location:**

Philadelphia, PA, the city in our own backyard. An incredibly diverse city located between the bright lights of New York City and powerful politics of Washington D.C. Despite being a prominent city on the east coast, Philadelphia is home to a large homeless community as well as other poverty based issues.

### **The Team:**

This trip is open to all students. With that being said, we can only take 20 students, selected from both our Kennett and Jennersville campuses, on this trip. Our application process will help us determine which students are prepared to serve on this year's missions team.

### **Organizations we are working with:**

Our primary partner for this trip is The Philadelphia Project. TPP exists to bring Christ-Centered and Kingdom-Minded ministry to the city of Philadelphia. TPP builds strategic partnerships with non-profit ministries and churches within the city and then connects teams with those agencies in an effort to help support the ministry work within the city.

### **What we will be doing:**

We'll be partnering with The Philadelphia Project and Stenton Family Manor Shelter to provide daily VBS for the children as well as support for the other ministries hosted by Stenton Family Manor. Beyond our partnership with TPP and Stenton, we'll also be partnering with a few other ministries in Philadelphia for smaller scaled service projects.

### **Accommodations:**

The team will be staying in a loft in the Fishtown area of Philadelphia. Fishtown is an area of the city that is in the midst of transformation and will provide our students with an interesting glimpse into the tradeoffs of urban development.

### **Meals:**

Three meals a day will be provided for the students.

### **Ground Transportation:**

The team will be traveling in passenger vans.

# *What to Do*

1. Complete and turn in the application during your interview. Missions interviews will be conducted by Doug and Dave Walker beginning February 11 – 14, 2019. You can schedule your interview through Signup Genius (see link on WDS's Facebook page or the Events page on Willowdale's website). It is your responsibility to schedule and be interviewed by February 14.
2. **READ** and **SIGN** Team Member Agreement. (pg. 4)
3. Fill out the missions Application (pg. 5 and 6 )
4. Complete the **Parental Permission and Medical Consent** form. (pg. 7).
5. After your initial interview and confirmed acceptance to the team a deposit of \$250 will be required. (Checks will be returned, not cashed, if you're able to raise full support).
6. Attend **ALL** training events and meetings (pg. 8).

# Team Member Agreement

1. Behavior & Attitude

You are responsible for and accountable to the rest of the team for your actions and attitude (Phil. 2:1-5, 12-15; Eph. 4:1-3, 22-32).

2. Obedience to Adult Leadership

Each team member must obey and submit to the leaders of the team (Hebrews 13:17; Romans 13:1-3).

3. Teachable Spirit & Heart for God

You are responsible to be a learner of both the culture of city/country; your team members and your own personal walk with Christ. Participation on a WDS Student Ministries missions team presumes that you are a believer in Jesus Christ. As a follower of Jesus, it is assumed that you desire, although difficult at times, to grow your relationship with God. The team leadership expects you to approach each experience with this heart for God and for continued growth (Ephesians 4:22-32).

4. Financial Support

All team members must hand in a deposit of \$250 upon acceptance. (This money can be reimbursed with support-raising.) Check should be made out to "Willowdale Chapel" with Student Missions on the memo line. Students must make every effort to raise the financial support needed for participation on the team. This includes sending out a support letter, following up with phone calls, actively participating in team fundraising efforts and thinking creatively about other ways to raise money. And we will work to raise more than we need in order to help others. If a team member does not raise the full support through fundraising and support letters they and their family are responsible to pay the balance of what they owe one week prior to the team leaving.

5. Contacting Supporters

It is your responsibility to thank each person who supports your missions experience. Students must send a handwritten "Thank You" note before money can be handed in. You will need to send a letter or email after the trip to tell your supporters what happened during your trip and what you learned. Each team member is responsible to invite their supporters to the Missions Celebration in August.

6. Team Meetings and Assignments

Attendance at SMALL GROUP, WDS, and MISSIONS MEETINGS is MANDATORY. Failure to attend without prior arrangements with the leadership is a serious issue. It is possible to miss ONE meeting with prior permission from your leader and with follow through on your commitment to make up what you miss. Lack of participation in training meetings and/or failure to complete assignments demonstrates an underlying lack of commitment that, if unresolved by the team member, will result in that member being dropped from the team.

7. Discipline

You will be expected to behave in an appropriate manner regardless of location or situation. We know mistakes happen, and grace and forgiveness will always be the rule with three specific exceptions, which are: Team members will not spend time unescorted outside the team's base of operations. Team members will not spread rumors, gossip, or otherwise attack the character of their leadership team, team members or the people with whom they serve. Team members will not consume any alcohol, drugs, etc. If any of these become a consistent issue during the trip, individuals will be sent home at their family's financial expense.

I have read and agree to the above statements: \_\_\_\_\_ (Student Signature)

I have read and agree to the above statements: \_\_\_\_\_ (Parent Signature)

# *Missions Application*

Please fill out the questions below completely. If necessary, use additional paper and attach to the application.

**T-shirt size?** (Please circle one) S M L XL

1. Please explain how God has led you to participate in a high school missions trip this summer.

2. Please explain your personal practice and effectiveness in the following spiritual disciplines:

-Bible Reading/Study/Meditation:

-Prayer/Worship:

-Giving:

-Sharing your faith with unbelievers:

-Discipling new believers

3. Are you sure of your salvation? How so? Please explain.

4. Please explain your understanding of your role as a member of the team.

5. Candidly state what is the greatest area of need in your spiritual life?

6. When was the last time you shared the Gospel or your relationship with Christ with a non-Christian?

7. Short-term missions often involves the situations below. Which ones do you expect to be the most difficult for you? Why?

Separation from friends & family

Spiritual battles with the Enemy

Being in a culture very outside your comfort zone

Living with a group of friends/peers for over a week

8. Tell us what your strengths and weaknesses are:

Strengths:

Weaknesses:

9. What is your greatest fear with regards to this trip?

PARENTAL PERMISSION AND MEDICAL CONSENT

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

The undersigned(s) being the lawful parent(s) and/or guardian(s) of the above child), hereby consents to the participation by the Child in the **High School Mission Trip** and to the participation of the Child in all events relating to the activities on **July 28-August 3, 2019**.

I hereby waive and release Willowdale Chapel and all individuals, staff members or volunteers working in connection with the above mentioned activities from any and all possible claims for injury to person or property which might arise in connection with my Child's participation in these activities.

The undersigned hereby further authorize(s) any of the staff, agents and representatives of Organizer to provide for, approve and authorize any health care at any hospital, emergency room, doctor's office or other institution; employ any physicians, dentists, nurses, or other person whose services may be needed for such health care; review and if necessary disclose the contents of any medical records; execute any consent form required by medical, dental or other health authorities incident to the provision of medical, surgical or dental care to the child. Health care shall include but not be limited to the administration of anesthesia, X-ray examination, and performance of operations, diagnostic and other procedures.

In the case of a medical emergency or nonemergency, the guardian will first use reasonable efforts to contact the parent(s) and/or guardian(s) before administering or authorizing any treatment.

Notwithstanding other provisions in this Consent Form, Organizer shall not have the authority to withhold or withdraw life-sustaining procedures for the Child.

This Consent Form may be revoked at any time before the expiration date with written notice to Organizer.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Parent/Guardian)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email: \_\_\_\_\_

# *Team Meeting Dates*

Your commitment to these training times and events will demonstrate your commitment to the work you are preparing to do. You are expected to attend ALL of these meetings unless you make arrangements in advance with Doug or Dave Walker. If you have any known conflicts with these dates, you must discuss **before** training begins.

Meeting times are SUNDAYS 12:30-3:00 p.m. unless otherwise specified.

## March

3 – Meeting in the 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade room - Kennett Campus

10 – Meeting in the WDS room – Jennersville Campus

31 – Meeting in the 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> grade room - Kennett Campus

## April

7 – Meeting in the WDS room – Jennersville Campus

28 – Meeting in the 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> grade room - Kennett Campus

## May

5 – Meeting in the 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> grade room - Kennett Campus

18 – One Day Meeting – Location TBD

## June

2 – Meeting in the WDS room – Jennersville Campus

## July

27 – Meeting in the 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> grade room - Kennett Campus (Time TBD)