



**Hi Plains and Tres Rios Area's of the Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ) in the Southwest**

2014-2015 Area Youth Ministry Team (AYT) Application

Email to: Karakay S. Kovaly at kkovaly@ccsw.org by

Thursday, March 5, 2015 by 5pm CST



All applicants must be recommended by their local pastors and supported by a parent/guardian.

Each church will be allowed no more than three applicants.

Applicants must possess the following qualifications and submit this form, the appropriate essay's and recommendation letter from their pastor by Thursday, March 5, 2015 by 5pm CST:

- Be an active member of a local congregation of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
- Must attend one CYF Conference before being nominated, having completed sophomore or junior years of high school.
- Exhibit maturity and positive leadership in local congregation and at Area youth events.
- Have not distributed or used alcohol or drugs at any church event.
- Can attend and pay the cost of all AYC events which includes Mid Winter Retreat, CYF Conference and Christian Youth Leadership Seminar (CYLS).

Applicants must re-apply each year.

Applicants for the AYT must fill out the following form, write the required essay and have a letter of recommendation from the senior minister/youth minister of their home congregation.

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ State_____ Zip Code_____

Phone (home)_____ (cell)_____ Email address:_____

Birthdate: _____ T-Shirt Size: _____ Gender ☐ M ☐ F Current Grade: _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Names_____

Parent/Guardian Cell Phone 1: _____ Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Email 1: _____

Parent/Guardian Cell Phone 2: _____ Parent/Guardian Email 2: _____

Church_____ City, ST_____

Senior Pastor/Youth Pastor: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please type an essay, no less than 750 words answering the following questions:

- ☐ Why do you want to be a member of the AYT?
 - If you are reapplying, please tell the committee why you are re-applying and one example of how you have displayed your leadership abilities in the past and one example of where you would like to improve your leadership abilities.

- ☐ What does it mean to you to be a Christian servant leader?
- ☐ What leadership abilities and/or spiritual gifts do you possess?
- ☐ What ways have you shared your leadership gifts in your local church?
- ☐ What HPA and/or TRA CYF events have you previously attended? (*You must have attended at least one CYF Conference before applying.*)
- ☐ Please explain what potential conflicts might keep you from attending ALL required CYF events:
 - CYF Conference June 21-26, 2015 at Black River Center for Learning;
 - CYLS-July 27-August 1, 2015 at Ceta Glen;
 - One Retreat or Rally TBD at Planning during CYLS (usually falls in February)
 - CYF Conference Estimated June 12-17, 2016 at Ceta Glen (Dates subject to change)
 - Scheduled planning meetings either on line or in person?

I am interesting in applying for: *(please check one box and write a brief 300 word essay as to why you feel called to this position and what you hope to accomplish during the term should you be selected.)*

- ☐ Regional Representative (1 from the Hi Plains and 1 from Tres Rios)
 - I understand I will be required to attend two additional meetings, one in fall and one in spring with Regional Youth Council (Dates will be determined at CYLS)
 - CYLS July 26- August 1, 2015 at Ceta Canyon
 - CYLS in 2016 dates TBD
- ☐ Team Capitan/President
 - I understand that I am responsible for notifying team/council members of planning meetings
 - I understand that I am responsible for leading AYT Meetings in conjunction with the adults
- ☐ Co-Capitan/Vice President
 - I understand that I am responsible for assisting the team Captain/President notifying team/council members of planning meetings
 - I understand that I am responsible for leading AYT Meetings if the team Capitan/president is unavailable in conjunction with the adults
- ☐ Secretary
 - I understand that I am the official note taker and record keeper for all AYT meetings and will send copies of all of my notes copies to the adults assisting the AYT
- ☐ Historian
 - I understand that I am responsible for taking photo graphs of all events and will send copies to the adults assisting the AYT

I meet all of the following qualifications for an AYT member: ☐ Yes ☐ No

- Be an active member of a local congregation of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).
- Must attend one CYF Conference before being nominated.
- Exhibit maturity and positive leadership in local congregation and at Area Youth events. I have not/will not distribute or use alcohol or drugs at any church event.
- Can attend and pay the cost of all AYT events (scholarships may be available)

Applicant: By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read the policy and qualifications for an AYT member and fully understand the commitment necessary for a successful leadership among the youth of the Hi Plains and Tres Rios Area's.

Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Parents-By signing below you promise to support your youth in this leadership position, helping them attend all required events.

Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Minister-By signing below you have mailed or emailed your recommendation letter to Karakay at kkovaly@ccsw.org for this youth for this leadership position and will help them attend all required events.

Minister: _____ Date: _____