

Illuminate Student Ministry



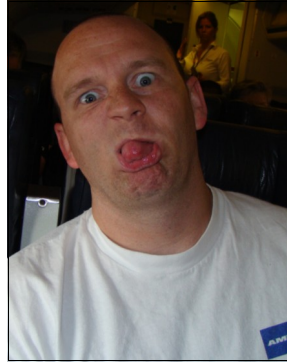
**A HANDBOOK FOR PARENTS
AND STUDENTS**

A ministry of Glenn View Baptist Church

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Adult Youth Leaders ~ Action group leaders, Sunday morning Bible Study, extra leaders for special events.

Activate Student Leaders ~ A group of students who have volunteered for extra leadership and responsibility in youth group!

Parents ~ Every parent of every student is important to our overall ministry. [We will have regular parent meetings for information and leadership sharing.

Basic Weekly Schedule

Sunday:

Worship.....8:30a
Sunday School9:45a
Worship11:00a
The Surge6:15p

Wednesdays

Express God's Love6:30p

Financial Information Continued

- If you receive a scholarship you are expected to attend. If you drop out arrangements will need to be made to repay the church in monthly installments, unless the spot can be taken by someone else.

MULTIPLE CHILD DISCOUNT

- For Camp, Fall/Winter Retreat, Mission Trips and other special events there is a multiple child discount:
- 20% off the second child for the same event. 15% off the third child from the second child's rate.

SUPPORT LETTERS

- This is the best way to fund your mission trip or camp.
- A sample is available online or can be emailed to you.
- You are responsible for filling out and mailing the letters.
- *If you need help, contact Brad or Daniel.*

**Teresa Tucker processes and records all money for youth events (teresat@glennview.org).



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Financial Information Continued

PAYMENTS

- Payments are due on their due date (stated in youth ministry communications & on youth calendar).
- If you pay your deposit and later cancel your spot, you are still obligated to pay the full amount of the event.
- Unless:
 - ◊ Someone else wants to go in your student's spot and they take over your payments.
 - ◊ There is a posted drop out date for special events (i.e. Camp) and you drop out before this date.
- It is expected that everyone who pays a deposit will be attending the event. We realize that unexpected circumstances can arise that necessitate a change in plans.
- If you need to back out of an event please tell Brad or Daniel as soon as possible. That allows us to try to fill the spot you have vacated. It is your responsibility to inform us. We believe you are going if you pay your deposit.
- All payments are non-refundable.

SCHOLARSHIP FORMS

- You are responsible for your deposit, usually set by event providers
- Forms are available online or they can be emailed to you.
- Scholarships are dependent on many variables including the church's financial situation.

Why we exist as a ministry

Strong ministries are not built on programs, personalities, or gimmicks. They are built on the eternal purposes of God. That is the foundation of our youth ministry as well. Everything we do in our student ministry revolves around the five purposes of the church.

The Five Purposes

Worship **EXPERIENCE**—Surge

Honor God with our lives. 1 Timothy 4:12

Discipleship **EMBRACE**—Action Groups/SS

Grow in our faith 1 Peter 2:1-3

Fellowship **EMBRACE**—Action Groups/SS

Connect with other believers Acts 2:42-47

Ministry **EXPRESS**—Ministry

Discover our spiritual gifts and use them

1 Corinthians 12: 4-7, 11

Evangelism **ENGAGE**—Your Circle of Influence

Reach out to non-believers Matthew 28:18-20



Ministry Values and Disciple Making Process

As a parent, it is essential that you know and understand our purpose statement.

Serve and Share Christ in Love..

MINISTRY VALUES

As a leadership team we try to incorporate our ministry values in everything we do.

REAL

We value an environment that is transparent and genuine.

RELEVANT

The most effective way to reach students is to present the gospel in a relevant way.

RELATIONAL

We purposefully build relationships with students and facilitate them building relationships with one another.

RELAXED

Students are under enormous stress. We strive to create a ministry that helps relieve the stresses of life, not add to them.



Financial Information

At Glenn View Baptist Church, we don't want a lack of funds to keep your student from attending/participating in an event.

We want your child to attend events that we pray will impact their spiritual growth. That is why we are publishing the financial policy of the youth ministry.

The church will try to help all students attend events of spiritual nature, e.g. camp, retreats, mission trips by reducing the cost of events as much as possible. We believe these types of events are vital to the spiritual development of your student(s).

Financial Policy of Illuminate Student Ministry @ Glenn View Baptist Church:

DEPOSITS

- They are required for some events.
- They must be paid by deposit deadline before a spot is reserved (stated on youth ministry communications and on youth calendar).
- They are non-refundable.



Ministry Opportunities

Places to Serve

Action Group Leader/Assistant – develop rapport with students, lead a Bible study, “Youth Minister” to a small group of students

Administrative Support – assist leaders with miscellaneous tasks, send follow-up postcards to visitors, birthday cards, etc.

Childcare Assistants – care for leaders’ children, especially during Small Groups and Surge.

Tech Assistants – help teach, guide, and oversee students running the “media” side of worship

And Many More . . .

If you think you can help with any of these please contact Brad or Daniel.

There is a ministry for everyone and everyone is a minister!



The Big Five for the Illuminate Student Ministry

These guidelines provide a framework which will help to guide everyone who is involved with the Illuminate Student Ministry. (leaders, students, parents)

1. Honor God with your life (make wise decisions)
 - It is important to realize that everything we do and say is an act of worship. Everything is to be pleasing to God. (speech and actions)
2. Respect other people and their stuff
 - Everybody deserves our respect.
 - Don't mess with other people and/or their belongings. (no pranks or initiations)
3. Stay in bounds (know where you are)
 - Every event/activity has boundaries and limits.
 - ◇ An adult must know where you are at all times.
 - ◇ No public displays of affection (among students, Stay away from No-no Zones.)
4. Adults Rule (adults are in charge)

Adults make the rules. Respecting authority reaps blessings. Defying authority reaps negative consequences.
5. Have Fun!

Behavior

The BIG Five are always in effect for every youth group event.

But here are some specific areas of further clarification:

CLOTHING:

- As they say at Snowbird Camp, “cover your stuff!”
- Ladies, Not to tight or too revealing.
- Men no one wants to see your underwear.
- Ladies and Gentlemen: Help each other pursue holiness. Keep it covered up.
- T-Shirt should not have vulgar or inappropriate logos or designs. (Beer, drugs, nudity, etc.)

HATS:

- Please do not wear hats during times of worship.

SWIMSUITS:

- One piece swimsuits are preferred but due to practicalities
- 2 piece suits where the top overlaps the bottom are permissible.
 - * They are not allowed to roll the top to sun bathe.
- T shirts are permitted, but they must be dark.
 - ◇ Under Armor or surf shirts are a great idea.
 - ◆ They do not retain as much water and they hold their shape better.

Behavior Continued

CELL PHONES:

- They are permitted at some *fun events*.
- It is highly recommended that they be left at home for trips of a *spiritual nature*.
- The leaders' phones are available during trips for your student to call home if needed.
- The leaders' phone numbers are distributed before each event in your trip packet and what to bring document.

“I realize that I spend too much time on my phone and it is a distraction in my life.”

- Shared at World Changers 2008 during our small group discussion time.

