

YLP BEHAVIOR AND DISCIPLINE POLICY

Parents are responsible for the instruction and guidance of students regarding their behavior at Youth Leadership Project. YLP has set standards of conduct for its students. Prior to enrollment, we ask that parents honestly and objectively assess the needs of each student and their readiness to meet these standards by asking these questions:

- Is my student happy and willing to participate in YLP?
- Is my student willing to comply with high behavior standards?
- Does my student want to attend YLP to learn and contribute to a positive environment?

We recognize that YLP is not a match for every student. If you are not sure if YLP is the right place for your child/ teen, please do not hesitate to contact the Director with questions.

If a student chooses to participate in behavior that is not consistent with our Code of Conduct and disciplinary action is required, the protocol will be as follows.

The Supervising Parent, Mentor, or Director will:

- 1. Take appropriate corrective action and invite the student to amend and correct his/her behavior.
- 2. When deemed necessary, the parents will be notified and possibly asked to attend YLP to oversee their child/teen until the parent, Director, and Mentor (if involved) agree that it is no longer needed.
- 3. If behavior problems persist, the parents will be notified that the student has been dismissed from the program. No refunds for insurance, registration, or that month's class fees will be given. Class fees for the remaining months of the academic year will not be due.

The Board has authority to dismiss a student from YLP if the student is repeatedly disruptive or repeatedly violates the behavior policy, and attempts to correct the behavior fail. An entire family may be dismissed if the problem behavior is caused by multiple family members.

Families or students that have a desire to return to YLP after being dismissed by the Board will be considered on an individual basis. Families may submit a letter of intent to the Director that will be considered by the Board prior to their re-admittance. Families or students will also have the opportunity to defend or clarify their position in person before the Board.

Our goal at YLP is to provide a safe and inspiring learning environment. This works best when parents support the Director, Mentors, and Supervising Parents in their roles and when there is open communication between parents and Mentors.

I invite you to contact me if there is anything you would like to discuss. We cannot solve a problem if we do not know it exists. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Shawn Crane Director