

ROOTS STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM

VISION & COMMITMENT



VISION

To help other students come to know Christ and to grow the body of believers.

COMMITMENT

As a member of the ROOTS Worship Team, I affirm my intention to: *(please initial next to each of the commitments)*

Live out the seven core commitments of Covenant Grove Roots.

- **Roots:** A personal and authentic devotion to Christ – growing in your relationship with Him (GROWING to a Fully Devoted Follower of Christ). Living out a biblical model of Christian behavior in your actions, speech, faith, and attitude. GROWING at Covenant Grove looks like //
 - Growing in Discipleship (loving God) – worship service, prayer/devotions, giving finances.
 - Growing in Fellowship (loving God’s family) – serving in church, connecting in a group.
 - Growing in Mission (loving the lost, needy, and hurting) – sharing your faith, serving outside church.
 - (Together = 7 GROWING Habits = God- prayer/daily devotions, Relationships- Active in ROOTS Youth midweek/special events, Offering-Generous Giving, Worship-be active in weekend worship, Impact-serve your community, New Life- sharing your faith w/others & inviting others to church, Gifts- use of your talents)
- **Vision:** supporting the mission, leadership, and programs of ROOTS & Covenant Grove, including regular attendance on Sunday mornings & Roots Youth, dealing with conflict biblically, and regular sharing of God’s love and your faith.
- **Encouragement:** having a Christ-like attitude that is joyful, humble, and empowered (Philippians 2:5; Matt 10:1), encouraging others and building them up.
- **Relationship:** We are a team and understanding that we put people above programs. Consistency with team communication and meetings are vital. Our ministry teams are made to help those serving grow deeper in their walk with Jesus.
- **A life that can be modeled:** I am committed to choices and a lifestyle that are both Godly and “above reproach,” knowing that my lifestyle is a model for other students.
- **Communication:** I am committed to maintaining open and healthy communication. Practical accountability – call/text/email your leader back! We assume that you will be there unless you let us know.
 - Speech and social media: Those who are serving in leadership make a commitment to reflect their faith in their speech and social media. You represent Christ and our church as a leader. See Ephesians 4:29 and 5:4.
- **Excellence in ministry:** Give God our best! There is a program side to Ministry and we give it our best because we are serving Jesus. Faithful and consistent in keeping the commitments for ministry and the people you are serving.

DEDICATE & PARTICIPATE

- **God First //** Put God first in your life. This is a ministry for those who are passionate about God and making his word known.
- **A Godly Lifestyle //** No one is perfect. However, striving to live a Godly lifestyle is important for the integrity of our team and our youth group. How you act at school, home, and the things you post on social media...they matter. (aka if you wouldn’t say/do it at church you probably shouldn’t be posting it, saying or doing it.)
- **Be Prepared //** If you are asked to lead then prepare ahead of time and be ready before the program or event. Depending on a student leadership’s role a student may be asked to contact other students. Examples of leadership opportunities: game, activity, testimony, message, event, worship, tech, media, etc. Leadership roles may vary depending on what is needed.
- **Be on-time //** Arrive a ½ hour early to prior to group/activity. *Worship band may need to arrive earlier, ask your team leader. There are times when we will ask you to arrive earlier for events/activities. Monthly Meetings- 4th Tues/Wed of every month before group at 6:00pm
- **Roots Attendance //** Leaders serve on a weekly basis. You need to attend Roots Youth Group on the weeks that you are not scheduled to lead unless communicated in advance to youth leader or team leader, be fully engaged, participate in everything, support other leaders.
- **Church Attendance //** Regular Attendance on Sunday Mornings

COMMUNICATE

- **A Teachable Spirit //** We all need to learn. Our goal is to help grow you into the leader God has called you to be. If you can’t handle constructive criticism, this may not be the ministry for you. Come with a humble attitude and desire to excel.
- **Open Communication //** Handle & resolve conflicts in a godly manner and be united as a team. (aka no gossip or bashing or back talk)
- **Communicate //** Team members will respond to communication in a timely manner (within 24hours).
- **An Understanding of Stage Presence //** Everything we do on stage either says “Look at me” or “Look at God.” We want everything we do to be about God rather than us. We expect our leaders to have exemplary attitudes and dress. Team members should not wear clothing with distracting messages, logos, and pictures or have attitudes that take away from the ministry (aka no drama). Know that your “off the stage presence” matters as much as your “on the stage” presence. If you not leading then you should be supporting whoever is leading, having spirit, encouraging others to participate and participating yourself.

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MY COMMITMENT

I am ready to join the Roots Student Leadership Team and uphold the commitments outlined here.

Fall Semester (Sept-Dec) Winter Semester (Jan-April) Summer Semester (May-August)

I would like to be on this team

Worship Media/Tech/Sound General (games, greeting, calling, planning)

Middle School // Tues // Setup 6:30pm // Program 7:00pm-8:30

MSM Worship Band & Media/Tech/Sound Team // Tues // 6:30pm

High School // Wed // Setup 6:30pm // Program 7:00pm-8:45pm

HSM Worship Band & Media/Tech/Sound Team // Wed // 6:00pm

Student Signature // _____

*Full Name: _____ Nickname: _____

*Address: _____
City State Zip

*Mobile Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Addendum for Parents

We are delighted that your son/daughter is considering serving on the Student Leadership Team! Having the Student Leadership Team represent the diversity of our congregation is a blessing. This is an amazing opportunity to serve others and draw them closer into the heart of God.

This ministry commitment should be seen as if your son/daughter were joining a sports team or club at school. The "season" is one school semester. We value school and hard work at home and want to ensure your son/daughter is able to fulfill all their responsibilities.

This is a ministry that requires time--for setup, clean up, preparation, practice, and participating in the activities. We ask that you support their consistent commitment to this ministry. This may involve practical assistance, such as making sure your teen arrives promptly at all activities and meetings.

I will support and pray for my son or daughter during their season on the Student Leadership Team.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

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Group Responsibilities/Descriptions

WORSHIP & MEDIA/TECH/SOUND TEAMS

VISION // As a worship team we are called to build bridges for people to intersect with God and each other. Striving for authentic worship, we use music as a tool to edify the body of Christ and bring pleasure to our great God.

I Cor. 14:15 Psalm 150:6

Authentic

Intersect

Excellence

PRIORITIZE GENUINE WORSHIP // (a heart of worship) in my personal life, Sunday Services, and Roots Worship.

- We strive to worship God with our attitudes, minds and in our outward expressions of worship.
- We want to have a worship team full of people who are passionate about worshiping Jesus. If you don't worship off the stage, you shouldn't lead worship on the stage.
- **Musicians are expected have a certain level of musical skill to be part of the team. If you are new, an audition is a necessary 1st step.**

On the set lists every month, you will see your name next to a specific role. Each week you will be assigned to your place that you auditioned for, and then there is a chance that you will be put into another roll as well. Below is a description and expectations of all the rolls that you could possibly be assigned to. Every single roll is just as important as any other! You are all gifted in different ways!

Introduction // Your job is to open the group up and get the ready to worship. Our job as a worship band is to create a space that is welcoming and draws others to God, and that starts with you! This can come in the form of a short prayer for this time in worship, or an exciting monologue that gets the crowd ready to worship their King in Heaven. This doesn't have to be something with so many words. All it is, is an opener! You can do it!

Scripture // Your job is to bring a piece of scripture that means something to you that week! This scripture will not only be read by you during the worship set, but it will also be used as a small devotional that we will all participate at practice and after we set up for the practice. Keep it short & focused. It is just something for us, as a team, to go through and to further our relationship with God. You are such an important part of the team!

Lead Vocals // Your job is to lead this song! You are the one in charge of this song! If you feel we should do a part more than one time because it creates a better atmosphere for worship, then that is what we are going to do! You are more than welcome to ask the group for their input, but this song is ALL you and all about you worshiping God confidently and creating an atmosphere where the rest of the group.

Back-up Vocals // Your job is to support the lead vocalist in creating and sustaining an atmosphere where the crowd can comfortably and intimately worship Jesus!

Any Instrument // Your job as an instrumentalist is to practice your songs outside of practice as well as giving it your all at practices too. God has equipped you with these talents and he says to play skillfully. Practicing once a week at practice is not enough. We want to bring our best before him! He loves us unconditionally no matter what, the least we can do is try our best to show him that we are thankful for everything, including these gifts, that he has given to and done for us.

Media/Tech Team Member // Your job is to know and understand how the songs go and how to use the media software. You will be taught by someone who knows the software and you will always have support! It will take time to learn and will always be a learning experience! If you have a question, ask! We will be more than happy to teach you! You guys are SUCH an important part of the worship team!

Sound Team // Your job is also very important and you will be taught how to do this job, it takes time to learn. In this job, you will be listening and adjusting the sound board to help the band sound more blended so that not one voice or instrument is not overpowering the rest of the team. When someone or some instrument is overpowering the group, it takes away from the worship environment.

OTHER ROLES

Photo // InstaRockstar! Take pics of worship, individuals & groups, games, and the whole night. After Roots post pics to <http://bit.ly/rootsupload>

Hero's Welcome // Hero Size Welcome! Go out to the curb, even if its raining, and greet students as they get out of the car. We want the 1st impression of youth be amazing and for parents to see how we love their students. (ie High Fives, Hugs, High Energy, and Cheering for them).

Announcements // Awesome Announcer! Be off the chart excited. Get pumped up for the events, you want them to feel this is the best thing ever! Tell them the why. Make it fun, funny, and make it feel super special. Move them to action, students should be rushing to sign up.

Prayer // Prayer Warrior! Get the group to pray before & after worship, for the speaker/message perso. God is at the center of all we do.

Activity // Game On! Games are fun, make the space inviting, bring joy, can connect to the scripture, but most importantly help build community. Lead a game/activity that takes about 15-20 minutes where all the students are participating and connecting with one another.

Message // Communicator Specialist! Sharing the Gospel is one of the most important things we do all night. We want students to know they are loved by Jesus, God wants them to Succeed, and the Gospel of Jesus Christ can transform their lives. You have about 15 minutes. Communicate the points clearly, make it entertaining, interactive, make it relevant to their lives, get them diving into the scriptures, and finally challenge them.

Testimony // Heart for Jesus! Testimonies are a great way of helping students to connect in with the message. About 5 minutes long. Even though your talking about personal experiences, it's not about you, it's about making Christ known through your life experiences.

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