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# HENDRIX YOUTH INSTITUTE

June 13-25, 2021  
Applications due April 2, 2021

The Hendrix Youth Institute (HYI) is a two-week program that creates learning, mission, and community-building experiences for rising high school who are exploring a call to ministry in the Methodist Church, and specifically introduces participants to ordained and professional ministry. Using a holistic approach, the program incorporates the “head, heart, and hands” to enable youth to understand God’s call.

The HYI experience typically includes:

- Two morning classes relating to the Institute’s yearly theme, “Bible” and “Wesleyan Studies.”
- Afternoons engaged in service work or shadowing church professionals.
- Worship, small groups Bible study, spiritual gift/discernment exercises, and time for fun and fellowship.
- An Orientation to Ministry event sponsored by the Arkansas Conference Board of Ordained Ministry.
- A mission and service learning trip to relevant cities and historical sites in Alabama, Mississippi and Arkansas. The trip’s focus is civil rights history, racial justice conversations, and mission work in which participants will work together, building relationships with those they encounter. More details to come.

**The only cost to participants is a \$100 refundable deposit to hold your spot (we will not deposit the check).**

## HYI 2021

Decisions will be ongoing about the themes and structure of the 2021 program, but **there will be a Hendrix Youth Institute in 2021 between the dates of June 13-25; most likely a hybrid in-person and virtual format.** As we continue to navigate the pandemic, we will make decisions based on protocols and guidelines from federal and state public health officials, the Arkansas Conference of the UMC, and Hendrix College. **As an applicant, you commit to staying informed and following the protocol that we determine is best for the safety of each individual and the group as a whole. We will be in touch with applicants and parents via email and also update our website as we know and plan further.**

HYI participants will also attend a winter reunion retreat in Little Rock on January 14-15, 2022 that includes a service project and time of reflection.

**Applicant Information**

Name:

Current Grade (Circle One) 10th or 11th

Address:

City:

Zip:

Email Address:

Cell Phone Number:

T-Shirt Size:

Parent/Guardian Name(s):

Parent Email Address(es):

Church Name:

Pastor's Name:

Pastor's Email Address:

Youth Director's Name:

Youth Director's Email Address:

**PLEASE INDICATE A MINISTRY TRACK IN WHICH YOU ARE MOST INTERESTED, OR DESCRIBE YOUR GENERAL SENSE OF WHERE YOU FEEL CALLED. (Will help determine shadow placement).**

\_\_\_Elder

\_\_\_Deacon

\_\_\_Lay

Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RANK YOUR TOP THREE AREAS OF INTEREST BY INDICATING 1, 2 & 3**  
**(Will help determine shadow placement.)**

\_\_\_Administration

Entrepreneurship

\_\_\_Camping Ministry

\_\_\_Children Ministry

\_\_\_College Ministry

\_\_\_Hospital Ministry

\_\_\_Military Chaplaincy

\_\_\_Mission Work

\_\_\_Music Ministry

\_\_\_Secular

jobs in a ministry

setting

(accountant,

lawyer, etc.

\_\_\_Social

\_\_\_Starting Churches

\_\_\_Leading Worship

\_\_\_Youth

Other (please describe): \_\_\_\_\_

**ESSAY QUESTIONS**

Please answer the following questions on a separate piece of paper. Please type or print legibly.

- Briefly describe your faith journey, including how you feel called to ministry in the United Methodist Church.
- Why would you like to attend the Hendrix Youth Institute?
- What activities are you involved in at school?
- What activities are you involved in at your church?

**REFERENCE**

- Please provide one recommendation letter from a clergy person or church leader at your local church.**

**IMPORTANT DATES and INFORMATION (Subject to change)**

- April 2 - Applications due
- April 14 - Applicants notified regarding acceptance to HYI
- April 23 - All forms and a check for a \$100 deposit\* due from accepted applicants to hold spot at HYI

\*Checks will only be deposited if an accepted applicant does not attend HYI.

**MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:**

Hendrix College

Attn: Chaplain's Office

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