Holland Park Church Student Ministry Behavior Contract

Effective dates: August 1, 2025– July 31, 2026

As a participant in trips taken as part of HPC Student Ministry, it is your responsibility to help make such trips a positive and enjoyable experience for yourself, fellow students and chaperones. All participants are expected to demonstrate high standards of conduct and accept personal responsibility and consequences for their actions. You are expected to exhibit honesty, courteousness, and consideration towards others. This includes those in your group as well as anyone else with whom you may come in contact.

The goal is to make the trip a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone, creating an environment for strong Christian fellowship, learning and examination of your personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

We expect the participant to obey the following rules of behavior:

- The participant is to follow the directions and rules and regulations established by the chaperones both prior to and during the trip.
- The participant shall not in any way be involved with smoking, alcohol, illegal drugs, vandalism, theft, cursing, or any other type of behavior that is judged by the chaperones to be detrimental to the health, well-being, safety or reputation of him/herself or anyone else in the group including chaperones.
- Cell phones, or other similar devices are not allowed in any sessions, classes or group meetings. You are expected to listen respectfully and participate in sessions, classes and group meetings. If your cell phone or electronic device is your source for the Bible, please make arrangements for a paper copy of the Bible. If a chaperone sees you using these electronic items in a session, class or meeting, the item will be confiscated for the remainder of the trip and returned only to your parent or guardian once we return to Holland Park. Your chaperone will have a cell phone that you can use to contact parents if needed. Chaperones and the church will not be responsible for lost or stolen items.
- Participants are expected to be encouraging and use encouraging words. No complaining.
- No public displays of affection, no going in rooms of the opposite sex.
- Participants are required to use the buddy system. No going off by yourself. A chaperone must accompany each group, and your assigned trip chaperone must know where you are at all times.
- Curfew and lights out. There will be a curfew and lights out time established for the group. All chaperones and participants will abide by these during the trip.

- Hotel and car rules. We are guests at the hotel and in the car, and are representatives of Christ, our church and our families. Participants will act accordingly and follow the rules of the hotel and car operator.
- Modest dress is expected. Midriffs must be covered. No short shorts or short skirts. No two-piece swimsuits. No explicit language on clothing.

PARENT or Guardian: I have read and reviewed with my child the Holland Park Church Student Ministry Behavior Contract (Contract) and agree that my child shall abide by all the rules and regulations as outlined above. I agree that if my child fails to abide by the Contract or engages in any infraction of the Contract whatsoever, that my child can be dismissed from the event and sent home immediately at my expense for the transportation home with no right of reimbursement for any amount in connection with the transportation. Additionally, future participation in Holland Park Youth events may be impacted.

Your signature must appear below or your child will not be permitted to attend any HPC Youth Trips.

PARENT/Legal Guardian Signature: **Date:**

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YOUTH: I understand and agree with the Holland Park Church Student Ministry Behavior Contract (Contract). I also understand and agree that my parent(s) or guardian will be notified at the time of any infractions requiring my dismissal from the youth event and that I will be sent home at my own or my parent or guardian's expense. Additionally, my participation in future Holland Park youth events may be impacted. Being found with any alcoholic beverages, tobacco, illegal drugs or weapons is cause for automatic dismissal from the event.

YOUTH Signature: **Date:**

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CHAPERONE: When I am participating in Holland Park Youth events as a chaperone, I agree to be an example of everything in this contract. I also agree to enforce these guidelines with the students and other chaperones, if necessary.

CHAPERONE Signature: **Date:**

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