



## **Core Team Application**

Here are a few important facts about being a member of the Core Team:

- Ø **Team members must be at least one year out of high school or older.**
- Ø **Team members should possess the following qualities: a personal commitment to Jesus Christ, as well as responsibility and commitment to the program, an unconditional love for youth and teens, a love for the Catholic Church, regular participation in Sunday worship, a personal prayer life, basic knowledge of your Catholic Faith, freedom from serious sin, regular reading of Scripture, and an openness to using the gifts of the Holy Spirit.**
- Ø **Team members must successfully complete the training. At this time, the staff will make a decision based upon greater personal contact with the prospective team member.(Training Includes attending a search or recollection retreat.)**
- Ø **Team members must continue to possess the above mentioned qualities throughout the duration of their commitment. Team members are free at any time to unconditionally terminate their relationship as a Core Team member. At the same time, the ministry of EDGE retains the option to ask you to step out of this ministry if it becomes clear to us that the Lord is not calling you to this specific ministry, or if mitigating circumstances make it unwise for you to continue in this ministry.**

As a Core Team member you will...

- Help lead Edge Nights and lead a small group in discussion about the teaching of the Edge night.
- Help with retreats and Issue and Social Nights.

Who can be a Core Team member?

- Parents
- Adults in the community
- Young adults
- Juniors and Seniors in high school can help out as Youth Leaders

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate / / Sex \_\_\_\_\_

Complete Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Church \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number \_\_\_\_\_

School/College \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Completed \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation/Title \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

I have read over all the information and filled out the appropriate responses on the application form and I am interested in becoming a member of the EDGE Core Team. I understand that my answers will be held in strict confidence by members on the EDGE staff.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

Please type or print your answer to the following questions on separate paper. Be sure that your answers are listed under the proper heading and are numbered correctly. It is highly recommended that you read through all of the questions before you try to answer any of them. This will save you the problem of duplicate answers. The purpose of these questions is so that we can get to know you on a more personal basis and on different levels. Rest assured that all information will be held in strict confidence by the staff of the EDGE program.

### **PERSONAL LIFE AND FAITH**

1. Briefly recount how and when it was that you came to know the Lord Jesus in a more personal way?
2. What are some concrete examples of how your life has been changed through your relationship with the Lord?
3. At this time, what are some areas of your life that the Lord is still working on?
4. Describe your prayer life. Include when and how you pray and what spiritual resources you may be using to deepen your faith.

5. Describe five strengths you possess in relating positively with others.
6. Describe three weaknesses you possess in relating positively with others.
7. At this time, what do you most enjoy about life?
8. At this time, what are your greatest struggles in life?
9. What did you most enjoy about high school/middle school?
10. What did you least enjoy about high school/middle school?
11. How are you currently employed?
12. What do you see as the primary purpose of youth ministry?
13. Why do you want to be on the EDGE core?

## **FAMILY**

1. Briefly describe your immediate family.
2. Briefly describe your relationship with each member of your immediate family.
3. What about your family do you most appreciate?
4. What about your family do you most struggle with?
5. What part does God play in your family life?

## **HEALTH**

1. Please describe any health problems for which you are being treated.
2. Please describe any medication, which you are currently taking.
3. Describe any health or mental health conditions that we should be made aware of.

# **CATHOLICISM**

- 1. What do you most value about Catholicism?**
- 2. If you could, how would you change the Catholic Church?**

## **YOUTH MINISTRY SKILLS**

- 1. What experience, if any, have you had with doing youth ministry work?**
- 2. Please list any youth ministry activities (i.e. life nights, rallies, conferences, and retreats) which you have attended as a participant.**
- 3. Briefly recount your most profound youth ministry experience.**
- 4. Other than actual youth ministry work, please describe any jobs or volunteer experience which you have done which might help you in youth ministry.**
- 5. Please make two lists on your answer sheet, “Skills I possess” and “Skills I Need Help Developing”. Place each of the following youth ministry skills in the appropriate list:**

- § Praying with youth**
- § Acting out skits and dramas**
- § Providing Christian entertainment**
- § Planning retreats**
- § Relating to the “culture”**
- § Planning prayer services and liturgies**
- § Doing one-on-one faith sharing**

- § **Developing and giving talks**
- § **Relating to adult moderators**
- § **Developing skits and dramas**
- § **Conversing with teenagers**
- § **Leading small group discussion**
- § **Singing**

### **OTHER ISSUES**

- 1. Have you at any time been accused of child abuse? If yes, please provide in detail the date, the place, and an account of the circumstances surrounding each allegation of child abuse.**
- 2. Did any administrative or judicial proceedings arise out of the allegations of child abuse? If yes, please identify the agency or court in which the proceeding was brought and its location, the parties to that proceeding, the docket number of the proceeding, and any judgement or resolution that was entered or reached.**
- 3. Are you under the supervision of any federal, state, or local agency as a result of any allegations of child abuse?**

### **AVAILABILITY**

- 1. Please list any activities or commitments, which might prohibit you availability to help with retreats, including school, work, extracurricular activities, sports seasons, other volunteer efforts, prayer groups, family commitments, etc. Please list dates and times of these commitments.**

2. How would you feel if, after having completed the application form, interview, and/or training for the EDGE Core Team you were not selected?
3. When would you be available to meet with our staff for an interview?

## IN CONCLUSION

At the bottom of the last page of your answer sheet your signature and the date of your signature is required. Your signature will be considered an acknowledgement of the following? “I agree that all of the information on this sheet is true to the best of my knowledge. In addition, I grant permission to the EDGE staff to contact, in connection with this application and periodically thereafter, the Department of Family Services and any other governmental agencies, organizations, corporations, entities, or individuals that it deems necessary in order to verify the continued accuracy of information given in connection with this application, and I agree to complete, in connection with this application and periodically thereafter any and all forms required by the EDGE Core Team (including, but not limited to, an application for child abuse/neglect screening form to be submitted to the Department of Social Services).”

Thank you for taking the time to fill out this application. You will be contacted soon to set up an interview. And we have enclosed the following checklist for you so as to remember to send all the information we need to begin processing your application.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_