STUDENTS



APPLICATION

QUESTIONS? EMAIL US!
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Hey!

We are so excited that you are interested in joining the Student Serve Team at Calvary Students!

You may have heard people call middle school and high school students "the next generation" or the "future of the church" – we believe you are an essential part of the body of Christ right now. Whether you're 14 or 64, if you are a believer in Christ, you have been called to serve God and serve other people. We believe God has called all of us into a life characterized by selflessness, love, and humility. Student Serve Team is designed to equip and empower students who feel the call to lead other individuals with a Christ-like attitude.

We are not looking for students who view the Student Serve Team as an extension of their social life. We are not looking for students who are motivated by recognition, reputation, rank, or reward. This isn't the cute, fun, popular club at church. Instead, we welcome students who have a desire to care for and love others, and to glorify God. We are looking for students who are serving in all aspects of their lives and who are willing to be spiritual leaders to those around them. We want students who are motivated by the fact that they are loved by Jesus Christ, the One who set the ultimate example of service for us.

>>> | For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many. Mark 10:45 (NLT) <<<

We want to train, develop, and disciple Student Leaders so that they are equipped to better serve their church, schools, and communities. We want to see students grow and discover their gifts and abilities so that they can use them to glorify God. We want Calvary Students to be a place where students don't just watch ministry but are an integral part of helping to plan and execute ministry. We want every Student Leader to know the truth that they are empowered by the Holy Spirit and supported by the family of Christ around them.

Please carefully read the following material with prayer and careful consideration to see if the Student Serve Team is something God is leading you to join. Again, we are so excited to have you considering becoming part of this team. We love you!

Blessings,

Frank Di Renzo

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Pastor of Calvary Students



WHAT IS STUDENT LEADERSHIP?

Student Serve Team Leaders are any students, between grades 9-12, who demonstrate the spiritual maturity and servant's heart necessary to lead their peers within the Calvary Students community.

Student Leaders commit for a minimum of one (1) year (typically September thru May) to serve CMS Wednesday Nights – helping encourage your peers and younger students to take the next step in belonging to CMS, owning their faith, and discovering their purpose in joining God's mission. You do that through serving the needs of your peers, working alongside our Calvary Leaders on Wednesdays, and leading by example on Sunday nights at CHS.

Those participating in Student Serve Team are expected to be the most faithful and consistent participants in Calvary Students. **Leaders are present!** While understanding that there are times when one cannot be present, Student Leaders are expected to faithfully attend the following:

- Sunday Morning Worship
- Weekly CHS small group
- CMS on Wednesday Nights
- Monthly Calvary Students Leader Meetings (First Sundays)
- Calvary Students Leadership Team training in August.

WE ALSO EXPECT STUDENTS TO DEMONSTRATE...

- Spiritual Growth
- Authenticity
- Acceptance
- Excellence
- Humility
- Wisdom

- Support for the ministry
- Support for the leadership
- Participation in ALL major events
- A willingness to serve
- A good reputation with peers
- Following up with new students



WHAT ELSE CAN I DO AT CMS IN ADDITION TO BEING A SMALL GROUP LEADER?

There are lots of ways to get involved and help serve at CMS. Maybe there is something that you are passionate about that isn't on this list. Let us know! We will definitely find a way to use your passion at CMS. Here is a list of some areas and teams where you can serve:

SET UP / TEAR DOWN TEAM

Time Commitment: 1 to 4 times a month

Come to CMS a little early or stay a little late to help set up and tear down.

SET DESIGN TEAM

Time Commitment: bi-monthly

Work on designing engaging sets for our stage for our different teaching series throughout the year.

WELCOME TEAM

Time Commitment: 1 to 4 times a month

Welcome students at the door with a big smile and help them get checked in. Show them how to find their way around and introduce them to some new people.

HOST TEAM

Time Commitment: 1 to 4 times a month

Help host on stage by sharing announcements, leading crowd games, and helping every student feel excited to be at CMS.

FOOD SERVICES TEAM

Time Commitment: Once a month

Help serve delicious snacks for other students to enjoy conversation around!

TECH TEAM

Time Commitment: 1 to 4 times a month

Help run video, lights, and sound to create an engaging experience for students while we are in the Student Space.

STUDENT BAND

Time Commitment: Every Other Week (Only on Sundays AM or PM)

Use the musical talents God has given you to help lead other students in worship together.



SOCIAL MEDIA TEAM

Time Commitment: 1 to 4 times a month

Highlight what an awesome time we had at CMS by posting pictures, videos, and stories from CMS on Instagram/Facebook.

COMMUNICATOR TEAM

Time Commitment: As needed

Help students understand what God's Word says by teaching during our large group time.

WANT MORE INFO OR HAVE A QUESTION?

Have more questions about any of the positions listed above? We have a job description for each team that describes exactly what it entails and would love to answer any questions you may have.

ARE THERE PLACES I CAN SERVE OTHER THAN CMS?

Of course, there are a lot of other ways to serve. From Calvary Kids, Bridge, and CHS to Sunday morning production team and more, we have many other places you can serve. Reach out and we will get you connected with the right person.

Email us and we will send you more information: students@calvary-church.com



WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE TO BE A STUDENT LEADER?

YEAR ONE

- Student Leaders will serve CMS Wednesday Night Leaders by preparing for Wednesday Nights in various ways, such as – game prep, administrative tasks, clean up, and being a catalyst for connection during the evenings.
- Student Leaders will be vital participants in Family Groups, co-leading alongside their CMS Wednesday Night adult leader.
- Student Leaders will participate in CMS Wednesday Nights pre-huddle and prayer time.
- Help lead games, announcements, wrap-up times, and other more visible responsibilities as assigned by Calvary Students staff.
- Participate in monthly Leader training meetings on the first Sunday morning of each month.
- Student Leaders will contribute to a student-led message on a CMS Wednesday Night in the Winter/Spring.
- Be part of a ministry on your high school campus.

YEAR TWO

- Everything in year one, plus...
- Present a lesson/message at CMS Wednesday Night once in the fall or spring.

YEAR THREE

- Everything in year one and two, plus...
- Help mentor new Student Leaders.
- · Assist with follow-up of new students.



CALVARY STUDENTS OVERVIEW

VISION

We exist to guide students into a real, growing relationship with Jesus.

STRATEGY

Our strategy is to help every student who attends Calvary Students:

BELONG - give every student a place where they know they belong and matter

- Feel that CS gatherings and experiences are warm and welcoming.
- Feel like CS is a safe place to talk about anything.
- Feel seen, named, and known by their Small Group Leaders.
- Feel like Small Group is family and a place they can be real.
- Feel that the community of the church is like being home.

BELIEVE - equip every student to develop an authentic lifelong faith and identity in Jesus

- Have a clear understanding of the gospel.
- Articulate their OWN personal story and faith in Jesus.
- Know that CS is a safe place to ask any questions or express doubts.
- By giving clear next steps and tools on how to grow an everyday faith.
- Develop a love for Jesus that leads to a lifelong faith.

BECOME - help every student discover their purpose and become more like Jesus by living out their faith

- Have an active and engaged faith that serves others.
- Understand that there is a world bigger than themselves.
- Have a clear understanding of the purpose that God has created them for.
- Use their spiritual gifts to impact the people around them.
- Prioritize Jesus as the center of their life.

OUR BIG WIN

We win when a student takes a step toward real belonging, real faith, and living out their real purpose.



READY TO APPLY?

We are so excited you are interested in serving at CMS on Wednesday Nights. Our Student Serve Team is the heart of Calvary Students, and we are excited to see how we can help you to use your gifts! You might be asking what is next? Here is a quick highlight of the next steps to becoming a Student Serve Team Leader.

YOUR NEXT STEPS TO BECOMING A STUDENT SERVE TEAM LEADER!

1. APPLY

The first step is filling out the Student Serve Team application. You can fill it out in less than 10 minutes at this link: Calvary Students Volunteer Application



2. MEET & TRAIN

After you submit your application, we will meet with you to talk about your application (in person or over Zoom). After that, we will also send you a link to any online training for the position you are applying for.

3. GO!

Once you have completed the training, we will pick a date for your first time serving on the Student Serve Team!

HAVE A QUESTION?

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