

Northern Great Lakes Synod's

Youth Leadership School

Finlandia University—Hancock, Michigan

July 6—10, 2009

- *Come*
- *Share*
- *Grow*
- *Lead*



2008 3rd year group and leaders

**For over 30 years, Leadership School
has been helping change lives.**

Leadership is best learned through experiences.

That is what this week is all about.

We believe in raising up future leaders.

**It is through experiencing authentic Christian community
that we come, share, grow, and lead
for Christ's service.**

**Leadership School is a Christ-centered Lutheran event that
will help students explore their faith through large & small
group time, worship, Bible study, and adventure.**

**Registration is open to students
who have completed grades 9-12.**

Cost is \$215 and includes food, lodging, and all materials.

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Dear Pastors & Youth Advisors,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

Enclosed you will find information on this year's youth Leadership School. It will be held at Finlandia University in Hancock, Michigan July 6 through 10, 2009. We are pleased to announce that Tim Tahtinen will be serving as our co-director this year.

Our synod's Leadership School is one of the best things the synod has to offer young people. It is intense, challenging, and life-changing. It is not strictly for the current leaders of your youth group, but for any young Christian who is interested in deepening and exploring their faith. I can say without a doubt that there are young people in each and every congregation who could benefit from attending. Please share this registration information with them. Registrations are due by June 19.

The enclosed information may be copied and distributed to all high school age youth who have completed grades 9-12. Feel free to post copies of the poster on your church bulletin board. Take some time to personally speak with some individuals about this opportunity! A word of encouragement from someone like you tends to go a long way on the faith journeys of our young people.

Leadership School is partially funded by a grant from the Siebert Lutheran Foundation of Milwaukee, in cooperation with the Northern Great Lakes Synod's Youth Ministries. The cost to participants for 2009 will be \$215. This includes lodging, meals, and program costs for the entire week. I would like to encourage your church council to consider helping defray part of the cost of this event for any of your young members who want to attend. It's a great investment in God's Kingdom! A limited amount of scholarship money is also available.

Thank you for your help in passing this information along. If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to contact me at 715-282-5882 or WKBlack@yahoo.com.

God's richest blessings,



Wendy K. Black
Youth Ministry Coordinator
Northern Great Lakes Synod

LEADERSHIP SCHOOL 2009

REGISTRATION FORM

INSTRUCTIONS: Fill out the form below **and** the emergency medical/covenant of conduct form. Make sure all forms are signed. Please keep a copy for your records. Send completed forms together with a check for \$215 (Payable to: Northern Great Lakes Synod) to:

Wendy Black, Youth Ministry Coordinator
Northern Great Lakes Synod
9469 Rocky Run Road
Harshaw, WI 54529

- ▶ The number of participants is limited so register soon!
- ▶ Registrations will be accepted in the order they are received.
- ▶ Registrations are due on June 19 unless the program is filled before that date.
- ▶ Refund policy: Any cancellations received by June 19 will be refunded in full.
Cancellations received after June 19 will be refunded less \$100.
- ▶ The \$215 registration fee includes lodging, meals, and program costs for the entire week. We will be housed in a dormitory. Participants will need to bring a sleeping bag (or linens), towels, and personal items. You will receive confirmation (via email if possible) of your registration and some final instructions the week before the event.

NAME _____ **AGE** _____ **GENDER** _____

ADDRESS (street, city, zip) _____

LAST GRADE COMPLETED _____ **HOME PHONE** (____) _____

STUDENT'S E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

CHURCH NAME & CITY _____

YEAR IN LEADERSHIP SCHOOL (circle one) **Year 1** **Year 2** **Year 3** **Year 4**

YOUTH'S SIGNATURE _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____

PASTOR'S SIGNATURE _____

LEADERSHIP SCHOOL 2009 EMERGENCY MEDICAL FORM

(student's name) _____ has my permission to attend Leadership School from July 6-10, 2009. I authorize any recognized adult leader at Leadership School to give permission for all medical treatments that may be considered advisable or necessary in the judgment of attending physicians in the event that my child should be admitted to any hospital or be in need of any medical treatment. I expect that every attempt will be made to contact me as soon as possible.

Signature Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

Home Phone _____ Work or Cell Phone _____

Emergency Contact _____ Phone _____

Insurance Company _____ Policy Number _____

Allergies (food/medication) _____

Prescriptions/Medication currently being taken _____

Other medical concerns _____

COVENANT OF CONDUCT

As a participant of Leadership School 2009, I agree to abide by the following rules of the whole community:

- ▶ Participation in all large and small group sessions & worship.
- ▶ No use or possession of alcohol, tobacco products, or other controlled substances.
- ▶ In our dorm wing by 11:00 p.m., in our own room by 11:30 p.m., and lights out by 12:00 midnight.
- ▶ No use of personal vehicles will be allowed during Leadership School.
- ▶ Any other rules that may need to be established at the event.

Signature Youth Participant _____

ARRIVAL—DEPARTURE INFORMATION

LEADERSHIP SCHOOL WILL BE HOUSED IN FINLANDIA HALL. STUDENTS SHOULD ARRIVE BETWEEN 12:30 & 1:30 EASTERN TIME ON MONDAY, JULY 6. STUDENTS NEED TO EAT LUNCH BEFORE ARRIVING SINCE OUR FIRST MEAL TOGETHER WILL BE MONDAY EVENING.

LEADERSHIP SCHOOL ENDS BY 11:00 AM ON FRIDAY, JULY 10, AND ALL STUDENTS MUST BE PICKED UP BY THAT TIME.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT FINLANDIA UNIVERSITY, VISIT THEM ON THE WEB AT:

www.finlandia.edu

FOR DRIVING DIRECTIONS, FROM FINLANDIA'S HOME PAGE CLICK ON "COMMUNITY", THEN GO TO "VISIT FINLANDIA" WHERE YOU WILL FIND BOTH DRIVING DIRECTIONS AND A CAMPUS MAP.