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Small Group Leader

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HEY!

We are so excited that you are considering being a Small Group Leader (SGL) in LexCity YTH! Our SGLs have the special privilege of being able to make an eternal impact in the lives of students... and have a great time doing it.

We truly believe that students are essential to the Church, and we get the privilege of mentoring and guiding this generation of Christian leaders. While this job is not always easy, we believe that serving as an SGL is one of the best uses of your valuable time & energy. Whether you love students or they scare you, we hope these next pages provide helpful information on what our SGLs do and how YOU can join our team!

What is LexCity YTH?

LexCity YTH's Vision Statement:

Our ministry exists to ground students in God's Word and to challenge them to be leaders of impact in their generation.

LexCity YTH's large group nights are Wednesdays from 7:15-8:30pm. These nights begin with a time for students to socialize and hang-out with friends (and make some new ones!) The night then moves into a time of worship and a large-group lesson from the Bible. The night ends with small group discussions where our SGLs like YOU get to connect with their regular small group (based on grade and gender). The purpose of small groups is to relationally connect with students every week, to make students feel known, and to discuss how the lesson further applies to the students' lives.

What Does a Small Group Leader DO?

- **Lead a small group.** Being an SGL is about connecting relationally and encouraging spiritually. Relationally, you are expected to engage with your small group students personally on Wednesdays. We also encourage you to periodically attend outside events they are engaged in (i.e. sports, musicals, concerts, etc.). Spiritually, you are expected to lead discussions during small group time that are meaningful and develop spiritual growth (don't freak out, we'll help you with this!)
- **Attend youth group and events consistently.** We know that you have a life outside of serving as an SGL, and your time is very valuable, so we don't expect perfect attendance. However, you are only effective when you are present. If consistent attendance is an issue, leaders may be asked to move to serve in a different role that allows for greater flexibility.
- **Invest through the years.** We ask for our Jr. High leaders to follow their students for 3 years, and our Sr. High leaders to follow for 4 years. We believe both you and the students grow the most when you walk through the entirety of these stages together.
- **Crowd control.** This is a reality, Jr. and Sr. High students are FULL of energy. SGLs are our first line of crowd control. We ask that you specifically take responsibility for your small group. Use your influence as their SGL to help us transition between fun and serious when needed.
- **HAVE FUN.** Let loose and let your students see who you really are. The more open and fun you are, the more successful of an SGL you will be!

What's Next?

1. **Take a Deep Breath** and actually believe that God could use you to make a difference in a student's life. Seriously, take a deep breath.
2. **Fill out an Application.** Click [here](http://lexcity.info) or visit lexcity.info to complete our SGL application.
3. **Visit a LexCity YTH Service.** Select a Wednesday in your application to come and check out a YTH service. One of our team members will love to show you around!
4. **Schedule an interview.** This will only take about an hour. This interview will allow us to get to know you better and understand how you can best impact our team.