



We are so very thankful you will be in Houston with us for the National Lutheran Youth Worker Conference in Houston. We are thrilled to have you join us and to help you equip and empower high school leaders. We know this annual training event will help give teens the tools they need to mature in their faith, become leaders in their congregations, and reach out to their peers with the love of Christ.

You are received this information because you are interested or have registered for National with a youth participant. We look forward to meeting your young leader in July in Houston for days of learning and meeting new friends. Please share this information with parents and teen leaders along with information sent to all registered participants.

YouthLead Schedule

The YouthLead schedule runs the entire length of the conference. The sessions on Sunday and Wednesday are designed to allow for students not to attend those days should they be traveling or opt to be with their adult leader.

Sunday, July 11

1:00 – 5:00 p.m.	Registration
3:00 p.m.	Intro to StrengthFinder Session
4:30 p.m.	YouthLead Group Building
5:45 p.m.	Return to Adult Leader/Evening Free

Monday, July 12

8:30 a.m.	Session 1: A Resilient Walk Made Worthy
10:00 a.m.	Plenary 1
11:30am	Lunch and Processing Time
2:00 p.m.	Session 2: In Times of Struggle
3:30 p.m.	Plenary 2
5:00 p.m.	Return to Adult Leader/Evening Free

Tuesday, July 13

8:30 a.m.	Plenary 3
10:30 a.m.	Session 3: In Times of Joy
11:45 a.m.	Lunch and Processing Time
3:15 p.m.	Session 4: In Times of Temptation
4:45 p.m.	Session 5: What's Next on Your Walk
6:00 p.m.	Return to Adult Leader/Evening Free

Wednesday, July 14

8:30 a.m.	Considering Church Work?
10:00 a.m.	Intro to StrengthFinder Session

YouthLead Team

The YouthLead team will be preparing for July and praying for each one of you! The leadership team of YouthLead has both LCMS Youth Ministry staff, trained adult leaders, and elected young people who meet regularly as they serve over three years. For more information about the team or to reach out with questions, please contact Julianna Shults, Program Manager for LCMS Youth Ministry (julianna.shults@lcms.org).

Forms

- The attached photo release form must be signed by a parent or guardian. This will be collected on site in Houston or can be emailed to youth.ministry@lcms.org.
- Adult Leaders, please be sure you have the proper medical release form used by your congregation for each of your youth. If an incident occurs during a YouthLead session, the youth's designated adult representative will be contacted.

Other Notes

- Each youth will receive an invitation to complete a StrengthFinders assessment. This assessment is a tool to better understand how God has gifted you with skills and desires to serve God and others. We ask that this assessment be completed before June 30.
- Please bring your Bible for studying and devotional purposes, something to write with, and a personal journaling item.
- Teens will be stay with YouthLead leadership through the day and all our sessions will take place in a single room. During main sessions, youth will sit together at designated tables.
- The adult leader is responsible for the youth before the first sessions and after the final session.
- If you want to connect with past YouthLead participants and adult mentors, check out our Facebook group! Just search LCMS YouthLead!

For more information about YouthLead, go to lcms.org/youthlead or contact Julianna Shults at julianna.shults@lcms.org!