

St. Susanna Program Assistant (PA) Application for Faith Alive 2014-2015 Date Received: _____

Name _____ Grade('14-'15) _____ School _____

Cell Phone Number _____ Email Address _____

Parent's Name _____ Email _____ Cell # _____

Experience

Have you previously participated as a student in Faith Alive? Yes No

If yes, which grade(s) 7th Grade _____ 8th Grade _____

Do you (or are you planning to) participate in LIFE (High School Youth Ministry) at St. Susanna? Yes No

Have you ever been a PA? Yes No Have you ever been a LIFE Servant Minister? Yes No

Please list other extracurricular activities you will be involved in next school year.

Describe either a service project that you were involved with or would like to do with Faith Alive.

Availability

What evening(s) of the week will you be available next school year (please circle all that apply):

Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri

Are you available for Sunday afternoon planning meetings? (Typically one per month) Yes No

Are you available for weekend retreats? (Typically two per year) Yes No Part of weekend

Are you available this summer for training and planning sessions? Yes No

Please describe the role of a Program Assistant. _____

On the back of this paper, explain why you want to be a program assistant. What makes you uniquely qualified to best serve our 7th and 8th graders?

Applications due to St. Susanna Parish Office by Friday, June 13, 2014.

Faith Alive Program Assistant Rules and Expectations 2014-2015

Faith Alive is a ministry organized and run by the St. Susanna Youth Minister with a support team of Adult Volunteers and PAs. A Faith Alive PA is a *servant minister* for all 7th and 8th graders who are participating in the Faith Alive youth group.

- I acknowledge that my active presence on this team is important for the continuation of a strong, healthy ministry. I will attend sessions, planning meetings and retreats to the best of my ability.
- I will respect the leadership of our Youth Minister and Adult Volunteers. I will assist in the set up and break down of sessions and retreats, working with our team to complete all tasks assigned by our Youth Minister or Adult Volunteers.
- If I volunteer to plan a Faith Alive session or retreat component, I promise to do my part to make it a success. I understand that I will not present at a session or retreat unless I have contributed to its preparation.
- I will be responsible for checking my email regularly and reading all email communications sent by the Youth Minister, Adult Volunteers or PAs. If I miss a meeting, I am responsible for getting the information that I missed from a member of the Faith Alive Ministry team.

Faith Alive is a ministry that serves 7th and 8th graders of the St. Susanna Parish. PAs have an important role in this program -- to be both friend and servant to the students who participate.

- I will welcome all students who attend Faith Alive sessions and retreats -- making extra effort to help all to feel included and valued.
- I will be present to our 7th and 8th graders during our sessions and retreats. I will have my cell phone / electronic devices turned off / silent during meetings, giving all of my attention to the students.
- I accept my role as role model and friend to all students in the program -- not just during Faith Alive sessions and retreats, but at school and in the community. I will treat all with kindness and respect.
- I will use words that are life-giving and kind. I will not engage in gossip, teasing or inappropriate conversation / behavior.
- I will respect and maintain the confidentiality of the personal stories shared at Faith Alive by our students. However, if I have concerns about the safety of a student -- understanding that some problems are too big for me to handle on my own -- I will express my concerns about that student to our Youth Minister or Adult Volunteer.

Student Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date