



VOLUNTEER APPLICATION **COVER SHEET**

This application is for all who will be working directly with students in the Released-time program. The leadership of Coastal School Ministries maintains high standards as representatives of Jesus, our Lord and Savior.

DIRECTIONS:

1. Fill in ALL requested information in black ink.
2. All forms need to be filled out completely.
3. All forms not completed will be returned for more information.
4. Return the original, completed forms to the office of Coastal School Ministries.
5. Call the Program Director if you have questions; the number is 843-293-0446.
6. Mail forms to: Coastal School Ministries
P.O. Box 30329
Myrtle Beach, SC 29588

VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

Today's Date: _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name _____ Maiden Name: _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ FAX: _____ Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Social Security #: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ : _____ Relationship: _____

Contact's Address: _____ Phone: _____

Are there any health-related issues we should be aware of? ? Yes ? No If yes, please explain: _____

RELIGIOUS BACKGROUND

Where do you attend church? _____ Phone: _____

Church Address (incl. city/zip code) _____

Do you agree with the Statement of Belief for members of Coastal School Ministries (see page 9)?
YES ? NO ?

As a child, did you attend ...

Sunday School? YES ? NO ?

Vacation Bible School? YES ? NO ?

Released-time? YES ? NO ? If Released-time – where? _____

In the space below, please write 2 or 3 sentence answers for each of these questions.

- ✍ How and when did you accept Christ as your Lord and Savior?
- ✍ Why do you want to teach, volunteer, assist in Released-time?
- ✍ In which position are you interested? _____
- ✍ Name the School you want to serve. _____
- ✍ Briefly describe your present walk with the Lord.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Your Name _____

Occupation: _____

Retired? YES ? NO ? If yes, former occupation _____

Student? YES ? NO ? If yes, list school and years of attendance _____

Highest Level of Education (list degrees earned) _____

Explain your Bible training (List college, training at church or Christian ministries, Christian Ministries Training Association, etc). _____

If you currently work with children/youth in your church or another organization, what is your responsibility? _____

Please list other experience you have in working with children/youth. _____

Do you speak any languages other than English? ? Yes ? No If yes, what language\s: _____

Your Name _____

REFERENCES:

Please list two references (a personal and a business reference). Your references need to be people (not related to you) who have known you several years and can attest to your ability to relate to children/youth.

Reference #1 _____
Address/phone _____

Reference #2 _____
Address/phone _____

Comments: (Use the back if necessary) _____

LEGAL ISSUES

Have you been convicted of any offense other than minor violations? ? Yes ? No

Have you ever been accused of or arrested for child abuse? ? Yes ? No

If yes, please explain: _____

RESPONSIBILITY –Child Protection

I acknowledge my responsibility to be careful and conscientious in reporting any suspicions of child abuse to the Program Director.

Applicant's Signature Date

Have you ever been dismissed from rendering service to children or youth for reason other than the expiration of the normal term of such service? ? Yes ? No

If yes, on the back of this page, write the name of the institution involved, its location, the name of the supervisor and the time and nature of the circumstance under which you were dismissed.

Applicant Name _____

RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

As the applicant described above, I do hereby represent to Coastal School Ministries with the understanding that Coastal School Ministries will rely upon the information provided in considering my application for work with minors, that the foregoing information and the following statements are true:

1. In my prior volunteer work, I have never used a name other than the one set forth above.
2. I am qualified to work with minors in the programs of Coastal School Ministries.
3. I have never been arrested as a result of a charge of child abuse or of actual or attempted sexual molestation of a minor (not including any arrest or charge that has been expunged).
4. I have never been convicted of child abuse or a crime involving actual or attempted sexual molestation of a minor.
5. I authorize any of the churches or other organizations and their representatives and my personal references listed above to give to Coastal School Ministries any information they may have regarding my character and fitness for work with minors. I release all such organizations and individuals from any liability that may result from their furnishing such information to Coastal School Ministries. I waive any right that I may have to inspect any records containing such information.
6. I am aware that Coastal School Ministries is a Christian organization, and in the event that my application is accepted, I agree that I will conduct myself in my work with minors that will be consistent with the policies and principles of Coastal School Ministries.
7. Having provided the foregoing information and having affirmed the foregoing statements are true, I recognize that any false information or statements are punishable under the laws relating to perjury.

Applicant

Date

Signature of Witness

Name _____

Please Print

Address _____

City State Zip

Applicant Name _____

RESPONSIBILITIES (Cont.)

1. I have read and fully understand all questions requested in this application.
2. I certify that all answers given by me are true, accurate, and complete.
3. I understand that the completion and / or execution of the application do not insure me a volunteer position, nor does it obligate the organization or me in any way.
4. I fully understand that the omission and / or misrepresentation of facts request by Coastal School Ministries may be cause for immediate dismissal without prior notice.
5. I authorize the organization to request and obtain information concerning my previous employment and contact the personal reference listed herein.
6. When pertinent questions arise and it is deemed necessary, I further authorize the South Carolina Law Enforcement Department to conduct a criminal history file check by name and identifiers. This action will be necessary to determine the existence of any arrest resulting in conviction and to furnish a response to the Executive Director.
7. If accepted for service, I agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of Coastal School Ministries.

I have read, understood, and agree to the above:

Applicant's Signature **Date**

Director's Signature **Date**

VOLUNTEER WORK
WITH RELEASE TIME STUDENTS
APPROPRIATE AND INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR

Appropriate Behavior

It is possible to show your love and affections to children; they need it. However, in order to physically respect children, we must think about what we are doing.

Children need you to ...

1. Encourage them.
2. Listen to them.
3. Care for them.
4. Protect them.
5. Be kind to them.
6. Be supportive of them.
7. Hug them without being too intimate. A volunteer may hug a student briefly around the student's shoulders. It is best that a volunteer uses only one arm to hug a student so that the embrace will not appear too intimate.

THEY NEED YOU TO BE CHRISTLIKE.

Inappropriate Behavior

Touching Offenses

- ? Intimate hugs
- ? Fondling
- ? Oral genital or anal stimulation
- ? Non-violent intercourse
- ? Incest
- ? Rape, assault or murder

Non-Touching Offenses

- ? Compliments meant to entice or seduce a student
- ? Verbal sexual stimulation
- ? Obscene phone calls or printed messages
- ? Indecent exposure
- ? Peeping in doors or windows
- ? Causing or allowing a child to witness adult relations

Involving children in pornography or prostitution

Physical abuse

Emotional abuse

Neglect

-----*I understand and agree to abide by the guidelines established by Coastal School Ministries concerning appropriate and inappropriate behaviors while working with Released-time students.*

Signature

Printed Name

Today's Date _____

ATTACHMENT

School Ministries/Scripture Union Statement of Belief

As a part of the Scripture Union Family, School Ministries shares and proclaims the historic truths of the Christian Faith including the following:

God and the human race

We hold that the Lord our God is one: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and that He fulfills His sovereign purposes in creation, revelation, redemption, judgment, and the coming of His kingdom—by calling out from the world a people united to Himself and to each other in love.

We acknowledge that though God made us in His own likeness and image, conferring on us dignity and worth and enabling us to respond to Himself, we are now members of a fallen race, we have sinned and come short of His glory.

We believe that the Father has shown us His holy love in giving Jesus Christ, His only Son, for us, while through our sinfulness and guilt, we were subject to His wrath and condemnation; and has shown His grace by putting sinners right with Himself when they place their trust in His Son.

We confess Jesus Christ as Lord and God; as truly human, born of the virgin Mary; as Servant, sinless, full of grace and truth; as only Mediator and Savior, dying on the cross in our place, representing us to God, redeeming us from the grip, guilt, and punishment of sin; as Victor over Satan and his forces, rising from death with a glorious body, being taken up to be with His Father, one day returning personally in glory and judgment to establish His kingdom.

We believe in the Holy Spirit who convicts the world of guilt in regard to sin, righteousness, and judgment; who makes the death of Christ effective to sinners, declaring that they must now turn to Christ in repentance, and directing their trust towards the Lord Jesus Christ; who through the new birth makes us partake in the life of the risen Christ, and who is present within all believers, illuminating their minds to grasp the truth of Scripture, producing in them His fruit, and granting to them His gifts, and empowering them for the service in the world.

The Scriptures

We believe that the Old and New Testament Scriptures are God-breathed, since their writers spoke from God as they were moved by the Holy Spirit; hence are fully trustworthy in all that they affirm; and are our highest authority for faith and life.

The Church and its Mission

We recognize the Church as the body of Christ, held together and growing up in Him; both as a total fellowship throughout the world, and as the local congregation in which believers gather.

We acknowledge the commission of Christ to proclaim the Good News to all people making them disciples, and teaching them to obey Him.

We acknowledge the command of Christ to love our neighbors, resulting in service to the church and society, in seeking reconciliation for all with God and their fellows, in proclaiming liberty from every kind of oppression; and in spreading Christ's justice in an unjust worlduntil He comes again.