





NASC WORKSHOPS 2013

## JUNIOR HIGH & MIDDLE SCHOOL WORKSHOP

confirmation letter

### **Hello, Delegates and Parents!**

Greetings from the Launch Staff and welcome to Workshop 2013! Thank you for signing up to attend the Junior High And Middle School Workshop (JAM). We've compiled this handy resource – the Workshop Info Guide – to answer your most frequently asked questions (FAQs) and prepare students for Workshop. It contains a great deal of important information, so be sure to hang on to it and read it very carefully. See you on July 23<sup>rd</sup>!

-The Launch Volunteer Staff

### **Summer Leadership Workshop**

July 23<sup>rd</sup> - July 27<sup>th</sup>: Wayne State College in Wayne, Nebraska

Check-in, July 23<sup>rd</sup>: 12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**Student Activities Center** 

Opening Slideshow: 3:00 p.m., Ramsey Theatre

Check-out, July 27th: 11:00 a.m. in the Student Center

Parents and advisers are encouraged to attend the Closing Luncheon as well as

the SLW Closing Session. Check-out: 1:00 pm (dorms)

### **PACKING POINTERS**

**DON'T FORGET**a watch (important!)

- For most of Workshop, basic casual summer attire is ideal: shorts, jeans, T-shirts, sneakers, sandals, etc.
- We advise bringing a sweatshirt or jacket since many of the buildings get chilly-the A/C is often cranked up.
- For the Workshop Banquet, we encourage dressier attire in keeping with the Banquet's atmosphere.
- Delegates will also have the opportunity to participate in the Workshop Olympics and other messy JAM activities. JAM delegates are encouraged to bring "have fun and get messy clothes" along with tennis shoes.
- Note: Students will be assigned a roommate from a different school to help them meet other delegates, so they will not be able to easily share items such as alarm clocks or hair dryers with friends from their school.

skirt or summer dress for girls, slacks and a nice shirt for boys $% \left\{ \left( 1\right) \right\} =\left\{ \left( 1\right) \right\} =\left\{$
sheets, pillow, blankets
sweatshirt
toiletries (soap, toothbrush, shampoo, deodorant, etc.)
towels and a swimsuit
tennis shoes
camera
alarm clock
backpack

change for vending machines, pay phones

☐ notewriting supplies (markers, cool paper, stickers)

snacks for late-night munchies

and water bottles if you'd like.

And, the theme for Workshop 2013 is...

 We'll have all kinds of Workshop merchandise for sale, too, so bring a few extra dollars for shirts, sweatshirts

### LAUNCH INTO LEADERSHIP

an outerspace theme geared towards promoting individual and group leadership skills.

### **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

#### Q: Just what is JAM Workshop?

A: JAM Workshop is a five day, intensive training seminar to help students develop their leadership skills. Working in both small and large group sessions, Workshop delegates will participate in a fun-filled, challenging, and diverse curriculum encouraging delegates to be three-dimensional leaders with personal, interpersonal and group leadership skills. Not only will the Staff share information and experience with delegates, but delegates will participate in plenty of group challenges and activities where they will help each other learn, grow and apply the lessons they've learned to real life.

#### Q: Who is in charge of the Workshop?

A: All of our Workshops are facilitated by members of the Launch Volunteer Staff, a dedicated team of educators, professionals and college students. Most of our Staff members are past Workshop delegates who have continued as Staffers (some for longer than 30 years!) to give back some of what they got out of Workshop. The Staff has spent all year planning and training for this Workshop and will provide supervision and security for the student delegation. (Campus security personnel will also be on duty during the Workshop.)

#### Q: What if my student needs medical attention?

A: As a part of your registration, delegates provided a medical release with insurance, health history, allergies and medication information. Staffers trained in CPR and First-Aid will be onsite and a hospital is adjacent to the campus. In the event of a medical emergency, Staffers will contact Wayne State campus security who will transport the injured delegate to the hospital and parents will be notified immediately. If your student requires additional arrangements, please contact the Workshop Director prior to Workshop.

# Q: How can I get in touch with my child during the week?

A: Mail may be sent to delegates and Staff c/o NASC Workshop, Wayne State College, Wayne, NE 68787. If necessary, we can be reached by phone by calling the main switchboard at (402) 375-7000. You may also call the Workshop Director directly at (402) 310-8593 when we are in Wayne. Delegates may use cell phones to call home during free time; however, these should be left in the delegate's room during all activities. Students will also have access to pay phones throughout the week, so equip them with calling cards or proper change.

## Q: Can I get a refund if my student backs out at the last minute?

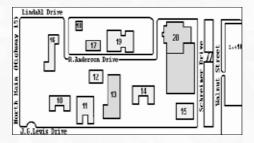
A: Unfortunately, we cannot issue any refunds for cancellations made later than July 6. Refund requests must be made in writing to the Workshop Director via e-mail to: workshop@launchleadership.org. All cancellations are assessed a \$50 processing fee. Same-sex substitutions can be made at any time (including during check-in) and at no cost.

## Q: Where is this year's Workshop? When should we arrive?

A: Once again, Wayne State College will host Workshop on their beautiful campus. Wayne is about 100 miles northwest of Omaha, 30 miles northeast of Norfolk. The college is on the north edge of town, just off Nebraska Highway 15. Registration check-in begins at 12:30 p.m. and ends at 2:00 p.m. in the Student Center, just north of the Bowen Residence Hall. JAM delegates are encouraged to enter on the west side of the Student Center. See the map of WSC below. NOTE: There is no early check in and no on-site registration!!! Grab grub before you arrive because no lunch will be served during check-in, and students may not leave campus once they are registered. We recommend carpooling or using mass transportation to get to Workshop, both for safety and to save on gas money. Parents and advisers are invited to stay for the Workshop opening session which begins promptly at 3 p.m. We will also be having a luncheon reception on July 28 at 11:00 a.m. which we would love for families and advisors to attend. It will include a slideshow from the workshop. Check out is at 1:00 p.m.

## Q: I've read the ENTIRE letter and my question wasn't answered. Now what?

A: If you have additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Workshop Director Keith Wysocki at (402) 310-8593 or via email at workshop@launchleadership.org.



#### WAYNE STATE COLLEGE BUILDINGS

- 20 Student Activities Center
- 19 Fine Arts Building (Ramsey Theater)
- 15 Bowen Residence Hall
- 10 Neihardt Residence Hall

#### **DELEGATE GUIDELINES**

The primary concern of the Workshop Staff is the welfare of all delegates. As Workshop delegates and student leaders, your children are expected to conduct themselves in a way that will reflect positively on themselves and their schools. Here are the quidelines they are expected to follow:

- Delegates are required to attend all scheduled Workshop events. In case of illness or injuries, delegates should notify a Staffer.
- Delegates must stay on campus for the duration of Workshop. Written parental permission and prior Staff approval are required for any exceptions.
- Delegates are not to smoke, or be in possession of tobacco products.
- Delegates may not go onto dorm floors that house members of the opposite sex, except during check-in and check-out times.
- Delegates are asked to cooperate with scheduled onfloor and in-room times each evening. The residence hall entrance will be locked between midnight and 6 a.m.
- As guests of the college, delegates are expected to observe applicable laws and campus policies (i.e., no use or possession of alcohol or illegal drugs, no destruction of campus facilities or property, etc.).
- Delegates are asked to wear their name tags at all times.
  These serve as Workshop meal tickets and identify the delegate as part of the Workshop.
- 8. Delegates may not entertain outside visitors during Workshop.
- Delegates are asked to avoid inappropriate or vulgar language, overly suggestive attire, T-shirts with inappropriate messages, etc.

Parents will be contacted if a delegate does not comply with these basic guidelines, and delegates may be dismissed from the Workshop without a refund. In past years, our delegates have been extremely cooperative and mature in following these rules.







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