Leadership Development for United Methodist High School Youth and Their Mentors

Dec. 4-6 at Hinton Rural Life Center

Application Deadline: September 30! Limited to 20 student participants.

FOR rising 9th-12th graders who want to make an impact in their churches, schools, and communities as servant leaders. Best candidates are those already involved in leadership roles or have experience in organizing and leading others. Each candidate must have an adult from his/her church who will attend the Academy with him/her and serve as a mentor.

PURPOSE: Hinton YouthLead Academy equips high school youth to be impactful servant leaders by helping them: identify their gifts, abilities, and passions; discern their calls to ministry; develop skills to enhance their effectiveness; and navigate the unique opportunities and challenges of contextual ministry.

HIGHLIGHTS
Engaging Workshops • Inspiring Worship • Meaningful Devotions
Refreshing Fellowship • Practical Application

WORKSHOP & WORSHIP LEADERS

Our leadership team is a diverse group of laity, deacons, and elders from across the Southeastern Jurisdiction. They love Jesus, the Church, and young people, and want to help them hear God's call and turn their ideas for ministry into team projects that bless others.

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WORKSHOPS & LEADERSHIP

**Wired for Ministry**
Learn how your unique spiritual gifts, passions, experience, and skills “wire” you for ministry God’s calling you to.  
Carol Tate -- Consultant for Spiritual Gifts, Myers Park UMC, Charlotte, NC

**Writing for Impact**
Take your project idea from inspiration to written proposal that will impress your senior pastor and church council, or other approval-giving groups. Dr. Britt Terry -- Associate Professor of English, Southern Wesleyan University, Central, SC

**Presenting for Impact**
Learn pro tips that will help you make effective oral presentations to diverse audiences; pitch your project with confidence! Cyrus Bush, MM (Master of Music) Personal Coach, A Confident Performer, Winston Salem, NC

**When Call Meets Context**
Throughout the biblical story, God called young people to do extraordinary things. Reflect on how God's calling you and get ready for the real-life challenges.  
Rev. Jonathan Tompkins, Senior Pastor, Travelers Rest UMC, Travelers Rest, SC

**Leading for Impact**
Explore your leadership style and try out best practices for getting the most out of the teams you lead. Rev. Karen Kluever, Minister of Church Relations, Hinton Center, Hayesville, NC

**Worship Leader**
Rev. Angela Johnson, Student Life Coordinator and Worship Leader; Associate Pastor, Sugar Hill UMC, Buford, GA.

**COST:** $30 per student; $30 per mentor

Most leadership development courses like this cost hundreds of dollars or more. This nominal fee is made possible by a generous grant from The Royce and Jane Reynolds Ministry Fund. Includes retreat house lodging, meals, supplies, and event leadership.

For more information and to register:

Click [HERE](http://www.HintonCenter.org/events) or log on to www.HintonCenter.org/events. Payment must accompany application. Scholarships are available, but local churches are encouraged to sponsor participants from their churches. Questions? Contact Karen, Hinton YouthLead Academy director, at karen@hintoncenter.org.

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