



PLUS Team

Peer Leaders Uniting Students

Dear Prospective PLUS Team Member:

Thank you for applying to be a PLUS Team member at _____ and for the *Stockton Unified School District*. The Position of a PLUS Team member is a serious, highly regarded appointment. Members of the PLUS Team work throughout the district with students and staff in an effort to develop an understanding of who we are rather than what we are. The following is a description of the activities the PLUS Team is involved in:

PLUS Team – This is the core of the PLUS Program, this is a handpicked group of students from a variety of backgrounds, who work together as a team to incorporate youth development strategies into activities on campus. The following are activities implemented by the PLUS Team:

- *PLUS Forums* – This activity is the central focus of the PLUS Team. The PLUS Team becomes experts in critical issues that impact school climate. The team serves as facilitators for group discussion and activities between a selected group of students from a variety of backgrounds on campus. These forums are implemented at the high school, middle schools, and elementary schools in our district. Students are put through a variety of interactive discussions and activities in an effort to breakdown the walls we put up unconsciously as teenagers. The forums serve as a means for students to develop an understanding of who each other is rather than what they are labeled as. Forums are held once a month on all the district campuses with 30 - 100 students in attendance.
- *Forum Assembly* – This is an end of the year assembly in which all participants that have gone through a forum come back for one big forum assembly. The concept is to bring small groups together throughout the year, thus all coming together under one roof at one time, for one day.
- *Staff In-service Forums* – The Team will be responsible for implementing staff in-service activities for staff throughout the School District.
- *Parent Information Nights*- The PLUS Team will implement parent information nights for the district. These nights will introduce the PLUS Program to the community.



- Lunch and After-School Activities- Members of the PLUS Team will be responsible for implementing lunchtime and after-school activities throughout the year on all campuses in the district.
- Community Service Project- Members of the PLUS Team will be responsible for planning and implementing a community wide service project.

To qualify as a PLUS Team member in the PLUS Program you must fill out the following application, attend the try out forum, and be evaluated in an interview process.

Thank you for showing an interest in the PLUS Team and becoming part of the PLUS Program. Good luck with your application and if you have any questions or need further information, please contact:

Advisor: _____ *Room#* _____



PLUS Team Application

Name _____ **Grade (upcoming year)** _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____ Gender _____

Languages Spoken _____

How long have you attended this school? _____

What compels you to want to be a PLUS Team Member?

Outside of school what are some of your interests?

What activities, if any, do you participate in at this school?

If you could change one thing about this school, what would that be? And Why?



Write a one-page autobiography that tells us about you. Include qualities or experiences you have that may benefit students on this campus. (use the space provided below, or a separate sheet of paper)



***Contract of Responsibilities for Participation in the
Stockton Unified School District
PLUS Program***

As a student enrolled in the ***Stockton Unified School District*** PLUS Program, I agree to follow the rules and policies established to govern the PLUS Program. I understand the following and accept as my personal *code of ethics*.

1. **Dignity** – I will respect the dignity and individuality of the people I encounter during my tenure in the PLUS Program.
2. **Confidentiality** – I will respect the confidentiality of the helping relationships that I engage in as a PLUS Program member.
3. **Duty to Inform** – I understand that I have a duty to inform an adult supervisor about any situations regarding potential or suspected suicide attempts, abuse, threatened violence, or homicide.
4. **Supervision** – I understand I will be supervised by a variety of adults and agree to follow the guidance that is offered in supervision.
5. **School Policy** – I understand that all school policy must be followed, and if I neglect to follow the school policies, it could result in termination from the PLUS Program.
6. **Honesty** – I understand the importance of being honest and will not be dishonest to benefit other students on this campus, as well as myself.
7. **Leadership** – I understand that I am a leader in this program and will strive to lead in a positive way both on and off the (*school name here*) campus.

I understand and agree to the above responsibilities as my *code of ethics* as a member of the ***Stockton Unified School District*** PLUS Program:

Print Name - _____

Signature - _____ Date- _____



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Checklist

1. **PLUS Team Application Questionnaire**_____
2. **One-page autobiography** _____
3. **Code of Ethics** _____