

Youth to Youth Get In THE GAME

May 2010

Dear Conference Youth Participant:

By choosing to attend the Youth to Youth International's Western States Conference, you've made a decision that will allow you to take control of your GAME. THE GAME is fast, fun and challenging. THE GAME is highly interactive. THE GAME is unpredictable. THE GAME is your life and THE GAME counts!! You'll learn leadership skills, meet new and exciting people, and experience excitement and inspiration that will be felt long after the four day conference ends! Congratulations on choosing to attend Youth to Youth Int. Western States "Get in the Game" Summer Training Conference 2010!

The conference agenda includes family groups (discussion groups that have made Y2Y Conferences famous!); workshops from professionals and from your high school peers, youth action groups, and original teambuilding challenges and activities. You'll hear presentations from some of America's top youth speakers, including Ray Lozano, Juston McKinney, and Devin Thomas. You'll perform, hang out, swim, wind down, and dance the night away at three special evening events.

The best experience of your summer begins Thursday July 8, 2010 with registration from 11:45 am to 12:45 pm outside "THE HUB" across from the Emmett Student Center at the Claremont-McKenna College in Claremont, California

Please read this packet carefully and return all relevant forms by June 18, 2010. Forms can be downloaded off our website at www.youthtoyouth.net under "Conference Forms." Please select appropriate conference location (OH, CA or RI) and return those forms. If you have any questions, contact Jill at jsmock@youthtoyouth.net or 614 -224-4506 ext. 143 or Stephanie at schristie@youthtoyouth.net or 614-224-4506 ext. 149.

See you at the Conference,



Jill Smock
Director/Conference Coordinator
Youth to Youth International

Youth to Youth International's Western States Conference Participant Information

CONFERENCE

Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, California. Thursday, July 8, 2010 at 11:45 am through Sunday, July 11, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. The closing ceremony will take place between 12:00 p.m and 1:00 p.m. Please plan on attending the closing ceremony, since it is a very important part of the conference.

****Please note Conference Closing ceremonies will commence at 1:00PM. There will be NO lunch provided by Youth to Youth on the last day of Conference.**

EMERGENCY PHONE CALLS

Beginning on July 6th, the Youth to Youth office telephone number on site is: 909/607-4078 and fax # 909/621-8542. Mark fax with Attn: Youth to Youth conference.

REGISTRATION

The participant registration site is outside "THE HUB" across from the Emmett Student Center. Directional signs will be posted on campus. Directions to the Conference site can be found online at www.youthtoyouth.net closer to the time of the Conference. You may also consult the Claremont-McKenna website (www.claremontmckenna.edu) for more campus information or a more detailed look at the map. Participant registration hours are between 11:45a.m. and 12:45p.m. on Thursday July 8, 2010. Youth will sign-up for elective workshop sessions during the registration process. (Adults do NOT need to sign up for workshops, they can attend which ever ones they prefer). Room keys will be issued at this time. If lost during the conference, or not returned at the conclusion of the conference, you must pay **\$150.00** for the key and/or \$15.00 for the card. This cost is imposed by the college, not made by Youth to Youth.

*Please eat prior to your arrival on campus; there are NO restaurants on campus or within close walking distance.

CANCELLATION POLICY

A refund less \$35 processing fee per registration will be granted **if a request is received in writing (via mail or fax) by Thursday June 17, 2010**. The cancellation notice must list each canceling participant's name. During this 3-week block of time, cancellations cannot occur, either in part or whole. Stop payment of a check or purchase order does not constitute a cancellation, and thus full payment of conference fees will be collected. **Participant substitutions will be accepted.**

TRANSPORTATION

Air transportation should occur through Ontario Airport in Ontario, California. Youth to Youth is unable to provide transportation to and from the airport. The following is a list of taxi and shuttle services available to you. Please make arrangements directly through the service.

Super Shuttle: 800-258-3826 Bell Cab: 909-391-1434

MEDICAL

A nurse will be made available for routine minor first aid, if needed. Medical care is not available on campus. In the unlikely event of a major emergency, an emergency squad will be contacted and/or the participant will be transported to a nearby hospital. Parents or guardians will be notified immediately in the event of illness or an emergency. Participants are responsible for supplying and taking their own prescriptions or over-the-counter medicines (i.e., aspirin, Tylenol, cold preparations) if needed. No staff member, including the nurse, will dispense or distribute any medications or medical treatments.

At registration, please inform the nurse if you are taking medication or have a medical problem. Routine non-controlled prescriptions for a controlled substance (such as Ritalin for hyperactivity) will be kept locked in the nurses' station and the teen may obtain medicine for self-administration when needed from the nurse. If you have any questions regarding your child's eligibility due to physical limitations or medical problems, please contact us at least 2 weeks prior to your arrival.

RULES (YOUTH ONLY)

Please make sure **both** participants and parent/guardians review all the conference rules contained in this information packet prior to **signing and returning** the rules form.

WHAT TO BRING

For your stay at Claremont McKenna College, you will need to know the following about the dorms and what to bring:

Some of the dorms are not air-conditioned, so you may want to bring a fan. You will be using communal bathrooms (as the dorm rooms do not have private bathrooms). Linen provided by the college includes 2 sheets, 1 pillowcase, 2 bath towels, 1 pillow, and 1 blanket. (Youth to Youth charges participants for items not in their rooms at checkout. Participants may pay these charges at checkout or be billed. This also pertains to any other damage costs caused by participants.

Cell phones and other electronic devices are not recommended. They can cause a disturbance and/or distraction to the conference. All use of cell phones which includes texting is prohibited during the conference. Exceptions are in your dorm, **before** lights out, or at meal times to parents. In case of emergency, participants and staff should be reached through the Youth to Youth office (this number is listed in this packet). All participants and staff should carry these items in a backpack, although we recommend not bringing them at all. (Adults needing to connect to office or family are asked to use their cell phones discretely during meal times or breaks).

You will also want to bring the following: casual and comfortable clothing, camera (optional), pens/pencils, watch, alarm clock, and a key chain. **Bring a bathing suit for the pool party!** Also, some activities may require physical activity, so bring tennis shoes. Bring some extra money for snacks at the evening events or to purchase promotional items and concessions. Do not bring valuable items! Youth to Youth is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

ADULT FORUM MEETINGS

While Youth to Youth conferences are modeled for having the maximum impact on teens and getting them involved, adults participating in all aspects of the conference also gain valuable insight on how to engage young people. However, the busy conference schedule often allows little time to network with adult peers. That is why Youth to Youth International gives special attention to those adults working with young people on a year-round basis through our summer conference Adult Forum meetings.

During the conference, come and sit down once a day, to relax, share, learn and talk with other adults in the same field. Youth to Youth administrative staff will also present at the Forums to share knowledge with adults and assist in the endeavors of working with and for teens.

EVENING FUN EVENT INFORMATION

Day One: Show us what you got! Whether you are talented or not, we're interested to see what you can bring to the table. So if you have a favorite poem, song, cheer, dance, skit, etc., here's your opportunity to **GET ON THE STAGE!** Just fill out the talent show form and return with all your forms. Or you can just sit back, relax, and enjoy the show! And believe you me; it will be a great show, **YOUTH TO YOUTH STYLE!**

Day Two: All Y2Y teens on deck for this special bonus stage. Dive into the deep (end), or stay afloat to make a splash! To make it through this bonus level, you must successfully interact with strange underwater civilization (also known as Y2Y teens), avoid water wars, and slide down the slippery slope of darkness all while wearing your favorite swim suit! Portal into a water-world of relaxation, friends, FUN...and maybe even win a few prizes along the way, all at the **"Y2Y Splash!" Pool Party.**

Day Three: All you B-boys and girls, let me drop some science on you! The infamous Youth to Youth Dance has been around since 1982 and now we are going to have a "Dance Dance Revolution", B-Boy Style and take it **"BACK TO THE EIGHTIES."** Make sure you come in your fresh 80s gear so we can all kick it old school and get hype all night. Prizes will be given for the TOP 3 LEGIT 80s outfits! **WORD UP!!**

ELECTIVE SESSIONS: WORKSHOPS AND EXTREME SKILLS

Skill Building and Youth-Led Workshops at the Youth to Youth Conference are an educational and fun experience. At registration you will be required to sign up for workshops. It is recommended that participants from the same school or community sign-up for different sessions in order to gather a variety of ideas and information to bring back to their group.

CHECKLIST

All youth must return the following forms:

- ★ Emergency Medical Release
- ★ Rules and Regulations
- ★ Early Arrival Overnight form (optional)
- ★ "Get on the Stage" Talent Show Form (optional)

All adults must return the following forms:

- ★ Emergency Medical Release
- ★ Youth Action Group Form
- ★ Early Arrival Overnight form (optional)

**All forms must be returned by JUNE 18, 2010 to:
Youth to Youth Int. Western States Conference
Attn: Stephanie
547 E. 11th Ave
Columbus, OH 43211**

Youth to Youth International's Western States Conference July 8 – 11, 2010

Youth Participant Medical Information Sheet

This form must be filled out and completed by the parent or legal guardian only. Please complete one form for each youth staff participant. PLEASE PRINT.

Name: _____ Age: _____ D.O.B.: _____

Address: _____ Phone: (_____) _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Country: _____

County: _____ School: _____ Sex: _____ Male _____
Female _____

Mother: _____ Phone: _____ Home: (_____) _____
Work: (_____) _____
Cell : (_____) _____

Father: _____ Phone: _____ Home: (_____) _____
Work: (_____) _____
Cell : (_____) _____

Legal Guardian: _____ Phone: Home: (_____) _____
Work: (_____) _____
Cell : (_____) _____

Emergency Contact Person (other than above):

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: Home (_____) _____ Work: (_____) _____

Cell : (_____) _____

In case that person is unavailable, please contact:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Phone: Home (_____) _____ Work: (_____) _____

1. Does your child have any medical problems? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, please describe in full: _____

2. Is your child currently on any medications? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, list below with name of drug, dosage, and how often to be administered:

(OVER)

3. Name and phone number of physician who treats your child for above named medical problems:

Name: _____
Name: _____

Phone: _____
Phone: _____

- 4. Does your child have any allergies to any food or medication? _____Yes _____No
- 5. Does your child have any limitations? _____Yes _____No

If yes, please describe:

6. The nurse/staff may give my son/daughter Tylenol (1-2 tablets; every 4-6 hours, if needed, for headaches, cramps, etc.) _____Yes _____No

Emergency Medical Release

I, _____ being the natural parent/legal guardian of _____, _____ (child's name) who resides at _____ hereby grant CompDrug, an Ohio, not-for-profit corporation, or its designee the right to transport the above captioned minor to any emergency medical or health care facility for immediate treatment and/or consultation, if necessary. Further, I hereby grant CompDrug's medical director or his designee, the right to consent on behalf of the above-captioned minor medial treatment. I understand that I will be notified of any emergency situation as soon as reasonably practical, but that this Emergency Medical Release may be utilized in the event that I am unavailable to provide the necessary consent, and immediate authorization for treatment is required. This release is effective for: Youth to Youth International's Western States Conference: July 8-11, 2010.

_____, For _____
Natural Parent/Legal Guardian A Minor

Signature _____ Date _____

Family Health Insurance Information:

Family Health Insurance Company Phone Number

Policy Holder's Name Insurance Group # Policy ID #

_____ Please check if NO insurance

PLEASE COMPLETE & RETURN THIS PACKET BY JUNE 18, 2010 TO:
Youth to Youth Int. Western States Conference
 Attn: Stephanie, 547 E. 11th Ave, Columbus, Ohio 43211
 Phone: 614/224-4506 ext 149 ♦ *** FAX: 614/224-8451

****If faxing forms, please call the extension above the next day to verify that our office received readable forms. We will only call back if we did NOT receive them.**

Rules and Regulations Youth Participant/Youth Staff

These rules are designed to ensure that all participants at Youth to Youth Conferences are traveling with Youth to Youth enjoy a maximum learning experience in an environment conducive to the exchange and sharing of ideas and concepts. All participants are expected to adhere to the rules as outlined herein, or may be established from time to time by Youth to Youth. **Any violation of these rules may result in immediate removal from the program or event. Enforcement and supervision of these rules shall be at the sole discretion and judgment of Youth to Youth.** Possible sanctions for rules violations may include, but shall not be limited to the following:

- Private discussion with a member of the Youth to Youth staff, or,
 - Removal from the program. All expenses or cost associated with the participant's removal from the program shall be the responsibility of the participant's parent or guardian.
1. **Attendance:** Your timely attendance and participation are required at all scheduled events. Failure to attend scheduled activities on time, without permission of the Conference Coordinator, creates supervision problems that will jeopardize your continued participation.
 2. **Behavior:** Participants are expected to conduct themselves in a mature and orderly manner at all times. Misconduct by anyone will not be tolerated.
 3. **Visitors:** Visitors are not permitted for reason of supervision, liability and contract with facility owners. Special emergency visitation must first be approved by the Conference Coordinator.
 4. **Remain on Grounds:** Participants are to remain on the grounds of the conference. If a participant needs to leave the grounds for any reason, prior approval must be given by the Conference Coordinator.
 5. **Use of Drugs or Alcohol:** Any participant either found using or under the influence of alcohol or other drugs, or in possession of alcohol, tobacco or other drugs, will be removed from the program.
 6. **Curfew:** Participants must be in their rooms at curfew and all their shower and bathroom needs should be completed at that time. Participants are expected to remain in their rooms for curfew until wake-up. Staff members reserve the right to conduct bed checks without notification any time during the program. Any unreasonable violation of curfew will result in removal from conference/trip.
 7. **Sexual Activity/Violence:** No sexual activity, acts of aggression or violence are permitted. Participants engaged in any of these may be subject to removal from the program. Parents/Legal Guardians will be responsible for transportation back to the original point of departure if their teen is removed from the conference/trip.
 8. **Sanitation:** All participants are expected to keep their room's neat and tidy at all times. Personal grooming is expected of all participants.
 9. **Electronic Devices:** All use of electronic devices including cell phones, MP3 players, I-pods and portable DVD players are prohibited at conference except at night, in the dorm BEFORE lights out! Also, with cell phones, **texting** is prohibited throughout the conference except at night in the dorm BEFORE lights out.

As parent/guardian/participant, I have read the rules and regulations on this form and have discussed them with my parent/guardian/child. My parent/guardian/child understands all the rules and regulations and agrees, as do I, to abide by them. I agree to indemnify and hold the Youth to Youth program and its sponsoring organization CompDrug, as well as the local sponsor and any of their agents and employees harmless from and against all claims, damages, cause of action, or other liabilities caused by my violation of any of the rules and regulations contained in this agreement or established by Youth to Youth from time to time.

Furthermore, I understand that pictures and or videos of my child/me may be taken at the conference and hereby agree and consent to the use of these pictures/ videos by Youth to Youth or its' sponsoring organization CompDrug for promotional or any other purpose.

Parent Guardian Name: _____

Signed: _____
as parent and/or guardian for

Date: _____

Name of Participant: _____
(please print)

Date: _____

Participant Signature: _____

Date: _____

I give my permission for my child to complete Youth to Youth event evaluations. I also give permission for my child to participate in post-conference surveys and evaluation. I understand that data collected will be used for future program development.

Signed: _____
Parent/Guardian

Date: _____

SIGN AND RETURN FORM BY JUNE 18th

**Youth to Youth International's Western States Regional Conference
 Claremont McKenna College ♦ Claremont, California
 Early Arrival Participant Overnight Accommodation Form**

Name: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Please Check One: _____ Adult Participant _____ Youth Participant

Home Phone: (_____) _____ Work Phone: (_____) _____

Adult Chaperone Name: _____

Adult Chaperone Phone Number: (_____) _____ Cell: (_____) _____

Overnight Accommodations: Accommodations are available on July 7, 2010 for participants (outside a reasonable driving distance only). Overnight accommodations cost: \$39.00 per night, per person with an optional additional cost of \$8.00 for Sunday breakfast and/or \$11.00 for a box lunch.

NOTE: there are no restaurants on campus or within a less than 15 minute walking distance.

_____ Yes, I need to stay overnight on July 7th (Participants outside reasonable driving distance).

*Approximate time of arrival at Claremont on the 7th _____

_____ Yes, I would like to order Wednesday breakfast for July 8th

_____ Yes, I would like to order a box lunch for Wednesday July 8th

Check your lunch selection: _____ Ham _____ Turkey

_____ Veggie

A check is enclosed (payable to Youth to Youth) for the following amount:

_____ Extra Night at Claremont McKenna = \$ 39.00

_____ Wednesday Breakfast = \$ 8.00

_____ Wednesday Box Lunch = \$ 11.00

TOTAL : \$ _____

Each participant requiring early housing and/or transportation must complete their own separate travel form and return with payment made payable to Youth to Youth. **Send to Stephanie by June 18, 2010.** If you have any questions please call 614/224-4506 ext 149.

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The "Youth to Youth's Get On The Stage!" talent show event will take place on the evening of July 8th. Due to limited time and space, we need interested participants to complete the application below and return it by June 18th. You can fax it attention Devin Thomas or mail with your other forms. Please limit your performance to less than five minutes, and please bring any music or props with you to conference. A sound system with a CD player, mics and lighting will be provided.

Each act will need to audition at conference. When you check in, proceed to the Talent Show Table at registration to find out what time and where you or your group are to audition. **Acts and Music must be appropriate for the Youth to Youth conference audience (i.e. no alcohol, tobacco, or other drug references, cussing, or lewd behavior, etc.)**

Name: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Phone: (____) _____

E-mail: _____

School: _____

Briefly describe your act:

Length of Act: _____ Number of People in Act: _____

Music/ Song Title (if using): _____

If this is a group act, please list names of group members:

I acknowledge that my act is appropriate for the Youth to Youth conference audience:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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For questions on this event : Email: dthomas@youthtoyouth.net or call 614-224-4506 ext 190