



YCLS 2017 Program Descriptions

Friday Dining Hall Dinner – 5:30-6:00PM

Dinner will be provided at the Dining Hall once you arrive and check-in at registration. Dinnertime will only be from 5:30-6:00pm. Groups should arrive by 3:00-5:00pm to register and have time to eat dinner. Summit Café snacks will be available for all participants at no charge after the Friday plenary session ends at 9:00pm.

“Get Your Glow On!” Youth Meet & Greet – Friday 6:15-7:00PM

All youth Summiteers are invited to join 4-H and MCB teens (Youth Hosts) for meet & greet activities on Friday from 6:15-7:00pm. Teams will participate in illuminating activities designed to introduce youth to each other. Kick off the weekend by meeting lots of new friends from around Missouri and other visiting states!

Adult Chaperone Meeting – Friday 6:15-7:00PM

All adults must attend an adult chaperone meeting Friday 6:15-7:00pm, during the Youth Meet & Greet session. Team leaders will meet other adult staff and volunteers, participate in a brief orientation, cover volunteer roles, and receive important information for leading and chaperoning teams over the weekend!

Youth/Adult Keynotes – Friday 7:30PM & Saturday 8:15AM and 1:30PM

The Summit will feature a fantastic line-up of keynote speakers who will conjure up your passion for leadership and service with their stories, experiences, challenges and more! Invited speakers include:

- Bill Cordes – The “YOGOWYPI” Guy
- Dr. Jim Spain (invited) – Vice Provost for Undergraduate Studies, University of Missouri
- Josh Sundquist – Speaker, Author, Cancer Survivor, Paralympic Skier

Saturday Morning and Afternoon Choices:

Choose between recreation and workshop tracks for your morning and afternoon activities. Groups who do recreation in the morning will move to workshops in the afternoon, and vice-versa. Tips for making your choices:

- Team Recreation “we’re better together” – each team is encouraged to select one recreation option which all youth/adult team members participate in together. Become a high-functioning team as you solve problems, show support, and learn how to mobilize the strengths of fellow teammates!
- Individual Workshops “go your own way” – for workshop tracks, it’s okay to split up! Each team member choose a session of personal interest, or push those comfort zones and try something new. Dividing up across the four workshop tracks will enrich your weekend and your team’s toolkit of ideas!
- Service Projects “finding solutions” – during the service project portion, brainstorm as a team what needs and opportunities you see in your community, and how you might apply “More Than MAGIC!” thinking to finding solutions. This will be a great kick-start to team action planning!

We will try to honor everyone’s first recreation and workshop choices, subject to what facilities allow and when registrations are received. No changes are made at the conference, so choose carefully!

Recreation – Saturday 9:00AM-12:00 Noon OR 2:30-5:30PM

From the heights of the ropes course to the fast-paced dance floor, these recreation choices will get your blood pumping and your energy up! Choose one three-hour session (morning or afternoon determined at registration):

A) EDGE Challenge Course (Limit 50 participants per session)

The EDGE Challenge Course stimulates individual growth and group unity through teambuilding and leadership development. The EDGE enhances the effectiveness of teams in areas of trust, respect, communication, discipline, integrity, and honesty among members. Participant can select:

- **A1) High Elements** – includes towers, cat walk, zip lines, climbing wall, the “Leap of Faith”, and more! Great choice for teams who want to push themselves up to, but not quite over, the EDGE!
- **A2) Low/Ground Elements** – includes trust falls, spider-webs, balancing acts, and group challenges! Great bonding experience for teams who want to see they can accomplish more than they imagine!

B) Open Gym / Line Dancing

This combined rec session will be held in the Multipurpose Room, with space for pick-up games on the gym floor and group dance lessons on stage. Summiteers can choose from a range of recreational sports inside, or head outside if weather permits! Sports equipment can be checked-out from Windermere, or bring your own gear. From gym floor to dance floor, Summiteers are sure to have a good time in this session led by Team Mizzou!

Workshop Tracks – Saturday 9:00AM-12:00 Noon OR 2:30-5:30PM

Workshop tracks will be led and facilitated by a combo of youth and adults, featuring ideas, tools, and examples. Participants will gain insights as they uncover the magic of purposeful change, and build teamwork, civic, and leadership skills. Choose one 90-minute workshop track (morning or afternoon will be determined at registration):

1) “The Magic In Me” – Leadership & Personal Growth

Whether you’re a whiz at getting the team pumped up or a magician at making people smile, everyone has a unique strength which makes them a leader – discover your talents and build a plan for success at this exciting session!

2) “MAGIC Starts Here” – Service-Learning

We strengthen our communities with “more than magic” – it takes big ideas, dedicated individuals, and committed supporters. Hear from outstanding teams in Missouri and other states who have put those pieces together, and learn what the letters of MAGIC can mean for you!

3) “We Make the Magic” – Civic Engagement

Find your voice as a concerned neighborhood member and get ready to show the Mayor your best community improvement ideas. This high-stakes, high-energy simulation features multiple characters and roles, meeting protocols, situations, debates, critical thinking, and the power of youth-adult partnerships!

4) “Showtime! Civics Edition” – Civic Education

Think you know American history? How about the ins-and-outs of government, or the process involved in becoming a U.S. citizen? Put your knowledge to the test with this quiz-bowl-style event! Become a straight “ace” student for the Missouri Civic Education Initiative!

After completing one of these 90-minute workshops, Summiteers will engage in a 90-minute service project.

“Cultivate Community” – Conference Service-Learning Projects

Join fellow Summiteers for hands-on service! Choose between projects options, including painting and building maintenance, ground and trail maintenance, and more. Service project sign-ups will take place on-site upon arrival.

Group Photos – Friday Registration & Saturday 1:00PM

Teams will have two opportunities for group photos at the Summit. You will have access to a magical photo-booth set-up with props and backdrops all weekend long! A team photo will be taken Friday afternoon at registration. On Saturday after lunch, a group photo of all youth/adults will be organized outside of the dining hall.

“SHOW ME the Magic!” Team Talent Showcase – Saturday 7:00-8:30PM

Show off your team’s best magic tricks and master illusions at the Team Talent Showcase! This magic show is inspired, led, and performed entirely by you! Each team can bring a “talent” -- anything your team does well and enjoys doing together! It can be a demonstration, song, skit, dance, poem, or other activity. All youth/adult team members are encouraged to work together. The showcase is designed to enhance teamwork, public speaking, fun and confidence, all in a supportive environment! Presentations should be 3 minutes or less, and appropriate for all audiences.

- **Music Selections:** please be ready to turn in music or other media selections at registration on Friday!
- **Rehearsals:** request a Saturday rehearsal time and space as needed at registration on Friday!

Opportunities Tour – Saturday 9:00-10:30PM

4-H and MCB partner with numerous groups that offer leadership opportunities for teens, both in their communities and in the broader world. The *Opportunities Tour* on Saturday evening will connect you with trips, exchanges, leadership programs, higher education, and other opportunities to becoming an amazing leader and lifelong learner! Those familiar with each opportunity will be on hand to staff displays and answer your questions during Summit Café.

“MAGIC!” Team Poster Contest – Saturday 9:00-10:30PM

Teams are invited to bring a poster (up to 2x3-foot) about a project or event you did, *Motivating Action & Growth In your Community* (MAGIC)! Teams that attended the Summit last year should focus posters on the SPARK! mini-grant projects they planned at YCLS 2016! Posters will be on display in the main meeting room throughout the weekend. Posters will be evaluated by youth and adult judges on: 1) clear description of the project or event, 2) why it was important to the community, 3) process or steps the team took, and 4) results. Prizes will be awarded for poster content and creativity. Show pride in your team’s achievements and let other Summiteers learn from your successes!

Youth Issues Ballot – Saturday 9:00-10:30PM

On Saturday night, you can participate in a mock election on ballot issues affecting young people, sponsored by *Kids Voting Missouri*. Youth/adult participants will cast a mock ballot on several issues being considered by Missouri state government. Look for the *Kids Voting Missouri* booth during the Summit Café on Saturday evening. Results will be announced on Sunday during the closing session.

Team Action Planning & Regional Networking – Sunday 9:00-11:00AM

Sunday is time to combine your team’s passion and knowledge of your community toward purposeful teamwork, action and impact. Bring on the MAGIC! Teams will be guided through an action planning process designed for youth and adults working in partnership. They will develop an action plan for a project to carry out in 2017! Finish out the Summit networking with other teams in your region. Learn how to apply for mini-grant funding for your project!

SEE YOU AT THE SUMMIT!

