



Dear Parents,

I am so excited about this next year at Element Student Ministry and Element Café. My name is Robert Sturdivant, I am the Director of Middle School Ministries at Trinity United Methodist Church. I want to give you a quick update and information regarding Element Café.

Element Café is a program designed to be a safe place for students to come on **Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3-5:30 p.m.** and enjoy a time of fellowship with friends and staff, have a snack or two and participate in various games in our gymnasium. We offer a variety of other ministries on Tuesdays and Thursdays, such as group guitar lessons on Tuesdays from 3:30-4:30, to tutoring from our high school volunteers every Element Café, and a Bible study held every day. We would love for your student to come be a part of any or all of these ministries.

Element Café is an incredible *free* ministry that we are blessed and honored to host each week, however we cannot do ministry without you! If your student has had a positive experience with us, please consider emailing me or going to our website, www.elementstudentministry.com to volunteer your time at least three times a semester during Element Café.

Please know that I am here to work with you towards fostering a love for God in your student. Please let me know if there is anything I can do for you and your student.

Blessings,

Robert Sturdivant

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Element Student Ministry
Director Of Middle School Ministries
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Element Café Permission Form

Please Return via Mail or Fax to:

Trinity United Methodist Church

Element Student Ministry

Attn: Robert Sturdivant

1400 Oxmoor Road

Homewood, AL 35209

Office Number - 205.879.1737

Fax Number - 205.868.9714

Student Information:

Name:

Address:

Would you like to receive weekly text message updates about Element Café & other events occurring at Element? If so, text "ELEMENT" to 39970

Standard Text Message Rates Apply. Also, check out our website for more information about Element Student Ministry - www.elementstudentministry.com

Parent Information:

Name:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone

Work Phone:

Emergency Contact Name & Number:

Email:

I, _____, give my child(ren) _____,

_____ permission to participate in Element Café, including open gym time. I/We agree to not hold Trinity United Methodist Church, it's leaders, employees, and volunteer staff liable for damages, losses, or injuries.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

PLEASE, BOTH YOU AND YOUR STUDENT SIGN THE CODE OF CONDUCT FORM ATTACHED TO THE BACK OF THIS SHEET AND RETURN BOTH TO ELEMENT STUDENT MINISTRY.

THANK YOU! STAFF OF ELEMENT STUDENT MINISTRY

Christian Conduct Covenant

Trinity United Methodist Church
Element Student Ministry
1400 Oxmoor Road
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- I hereby covenant to act in a Christian manner while participating in Element Café.
- I will follow the instructions and directions of all church staff, leaders, and volunteers.
- I will not use profanity at any time while a part of Element Café, nor will I use language or jokes that are crude, offensive or sexual in nature.
- I will not bring or use alcohol, tobacco or drugs. I will not bring firearms, knives or anything that can be construed as a weapon. I will not bring any lighters, matches or anything that might be flammable or used to start fires.
- I will respect the space and property of others; including but not limited to: Cell phones, backpacks, textbooks or any other school books, papers, clothing and all other electronic devices.
- I will respect the space and property of Element Student Ministry and Trinity United Methodist Church. I will not intentionally damage any video games, board games or stationary games, nor will I steal any of its' contents.
- I will only stay within the youth ministry area of the church and/or the gymnasium, and only during the designated time that Element Café is in the gym.
- I will not enter any room within the youth ministry area that is not explicitly designated to be used for Element Café.
- I will not be in a room alone with any other person or persons unless designated by Element Staff.
- I will not wear inappropriate clothing, skimpy clothing, clothing with logos of tobacco or alcohol products.
- I will not bring video games or music that contains explicit visual and/or audio content.
- I will not use any language that is discriminatory, prejudicial or unloving toward any individual or group of people.
- I understand that failure to follow these rules may result in suspension or expulsion from Element Café and that my family and I will be responsible for any property damaged of another student, staff, and/or Trinity United Methodist Church.
- I further understand that many of these rules are also laws enforced by the city of Homewood and Federal Government, thus if violated, police involvement may be deemed necessary.
- I understand the responsibility I have as a Christian to hold others at Element Café accountable. So if I see (or am aware of) anyone breaking these above rules, I will immediately tell a staff member of Trinity United Methodist Church. I further understand that failure to report any violation of these rules (that I have committed, seen, or am aware of) will be considered the same as having broken them myself.

As a family, we have read these rules, and we understand and consent to them.

Parent

Child

Child