YE is a Christ centered homeschool co-op. We put God at the center of our lives and live by His word. In order to preserve the function and integrity of YE and to provide a biblical role model to our members and the community, it is imperative that all members, adults and children, agree to and abide by the YE Statement of Faith.

Proverbs 22:6: "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it." *lifetime habits are formed from training

Deuteronomy 6:5-9: "... You shall teach them (God's words) diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up.." (vs.8) * Training is a lifestyle not a curriculum. You teach your children how to love and live for God when you are living it out in daily life.

Isaiah 54:3: "All your children will be taught of the Lord; and great will be the peace of your children." *True peace comes from being taught by God and in His ways.

Statement of Faith 2023-24

The Bible is the inspired and infallible Word of God, the final authority of faith, truth, morality, conduct and life, without error in its original writing both in doctrine and historical details. All true knowledge is consistent with its revelation. (2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:20,21)

There is one self-existent, sovereign God who is eternal, immutable, omnipresent, omniscient, omnipotent. Knowing God is the foundation of all knowledge, wisdom, understanding and truth.

There are three persons in the Godhead; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory. (Genesis 1:1; Matthew 28:19; John 1:1,3 & 4:24; Acts 5:3,4; Romans 1:20; Ephesians 4:5,6; 2 Corinthians 13:14)

God created the world in 6 literal 24 hour days and rested on the 7th day. (Gen 1) Man was created by God in the image of God, but fell into sin and therefore is lost, and can only be saved by faith in Jesus Christ alone (John 14:16. Acts 4:12) *God offers redemption and restoration to all who confess and forsake their sin, seeking His mercy and forgiveness through Jesus Christ* (Acts 3:19-21; Rom 10:9-10; 1 Cor 6:9-11)

Jesus Christ, born of a virgin, is the incarnation and supreme revelation of God. Jesus alone is the Promised Messiah, the Savior of mankind through His death on the cross, burial, resurrection from the dead and ascension to God the Father. He will return again and reunite with those who believe in Him, to reign with Him in power and glory throughout all eternity.

Every believer of Jesus Christ has been given the gift of the Holy Spirit,".....lives with you and will be in you..."(John 14:17). The Holy Spirit is the inspiration behind the writings of scripture, administrator of the church, the believer's counselor, the source of a believer's spiritual and physical strength, the believer's teacher, and the believers' confirmer of salvation.

Statement on Gender, Marriage, and Sexuality

- a. God wonderfully and immutable creates each person as male or female. Those **two** distinct, complementary genders together reflect the image and nature of God (Gen 1:26-27). Rejection of one's biological sex is a rejection of the image of God within that person.
- b. The term "marriage" has only one meaning: the uniting of one biological man and one biological woman in a single, exclusive union, as delineated in Scripture (Gen 2:18-25)
- c. God intends sexual intimacy to occur only between a biological man and a biological woman who are married to each other (1 cor 6:18; 7:2-5; Heb 13:4)

The Board's Final Authority for Matters of Belief and Conduct

The Statement of Faith and Statement of Gender, Marriage and Sexuality does not exhaust the extent of our beliefs. The Bible itself is the sole and final source and authority for all that we believe.

The Board of Young Explorers Co-op reserves the right to deny or revoke membership to any individual (or family), if it is determined by the Board, that to allow such an individual (or family) as participants would be detrimental to the group, or there have been clear violations of Christian principles, which are reflected in the STatement of Faith and/or in the Bible. These decisions will be made at the sole discretion of the board.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read, understand, and agree with the Statement of Faith and Statement of Gender, Marriage, and Sexuality and agree to abide by it.

Parent Signature:	Date:	
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