

Severna Park Evangelical Presbyterian Church
Background Information Sheet for Adults Working with Children/Teens
(Confidential Information)

This application is to be completed by all children's ministry and youth ministry applicants. It is being used to help SPEP provide a safe and secure environment for all children in our care.

LAST NAME: _____ FIRST NAME _____

MIDDLE NAME _____ ALL OTHER NAMES YOU HAVE USED: _____

DOB: ____/____/____ DRIVER'S LICENSE# _____ STATE _____

CURRENT ADDRESS: _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____ HOME PHONE _____

WORK PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

IF LIVED THERE LESS THAN 10 YEARS, PREVIOUS ADDRESS(ES):

PERSONAL REFERENCES

Please list three individuals who are not related to you or each other who can be contacted for a personal reference:

1) Name _____ 2) Name _____

Mailing Address _____ Mailing Address _____

City _____ STATE _____ City _____ STATE _____

Zip _____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____ Phone Number _____

Years known: _____ Years known: _____

3) Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ STATE _____

Zip _____

Phone Number _____

Years known: _____

Have you ever been treated for alcohol or drug abuse? ____ Yes ____ No

Date of membership at SPEP ____/____/_____
CHURCH ACTIVITIES AND MINISTRY INTEREST

Which hour do you regularly attend worship _____9:30 _____11:00
If not attending worship regularly, please explain why:

List any areas of involvement at SPEP

List previous church, school or related work with children, identifying organization, supervisors and type of work for the last 7 years:

List all training, spiritual gifts, education, child-rearing, baby-sitting or other experiences which have prepared you for ministry to children

Check the age group and/or ministry where you would like to serve:

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| _____ Infant (birth – 24 mos.) | _____ Nursery |
| _____ Preschool (2 – 5) | _____ Sunday school |
| _____ Primary (1 st – 3 rd grade) | _____ Kids' Quest |
| _____ Junior (4 th – 5 th grade) | _____ Vacation Bible School |
| _____ Middle (6 th – 8 th grade) | _____ Pioneer Girls |
| _____ Senior (9 th – 12 th grade) | _____ Christian Service Brigade |

What are your reasons for wanting to serve in children's/youth ministry?

Please share the story of how you came to faith in Christ and what this means to you today.

APPLICANT'S AGREEMENT

Recognizing the responsibility of SPEP to provide for its children the safest possible environment, which includes the placement of qualified volunteers, I agree that if I have ever been accused of child abuse in any form, or if I have been involved in any crime involving a minor, I will of my own volition consult with the senior pastor of SPEP before submitting this application.

I also agree to submit to a legal background check, including identity verifications, address histories, criminal records, and reference interviews, conducted by whatever agency SPEP decides and I understand that SPEP will be responsible for the expense involved.

(Applicant's signature)

(Date)

APPLICANT’S STATEMENT

The information contained in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I authorize any individuals listed as references or any churches listed in this application to give SPEP any information, including opinions, they may have regarding my character and fitness for ministry with children. I release all such references/individuals from any liability for furnishing such evaluations to SPEP provided that they do so in good faith and without malice. I waive any rights to inspect references provided on my behalf.

In addition, I agree to complete any forms necessary to aid in obtaining a background check to work with children at SPEP.

Should my application be accepted, I agree to be bound by the policies of Severna Park Evangelical Presbyterian Church (SPEP) and its Elders, and to model a godly life before the children in the performance of my ministry on behalf of the church. I agree to fulfill my commitment as requested by the individual ministry and to give the ministry leader ample notice when I am no longer able to keep this commitment.

I agree to inform the Senior Pastor of SPEP if, at any time forward, I feel that I am no longer able to perform my commitments to the children of SPEP in a godly fashion, or if I am the subject of an investigation, charge and/or allegation that, if substantiated I would no longer be qualified to work with children based on SPEP’s Child Safety Procedures. This includes investigations of neglect and abuse by the Department of Social Services.

_____ (Applicant’s signature) _____ (Date)

_____ (printed name)

_____ I acknowledge that I have received an Information Sheet

_____ I have read the Child Safety Procedures for SPEP and have had an opportunity to ask any questions. I understand the Child Safety policies of SPEP and my responsibilities based on those policies.

Please return in the envelope provided to: Volunteer Coordinator, Severna Park Evangelical Presbyterian Church., 110 Ritchie Highway, Pasadena, MD 21122