HOPE COLLECTIVE

NEW STUDENT APPLICATION

2026 - 2027 School Year

ABOUT HOPE+

Hope+ is a discipleship journey with a leadership emphasis for 9th–12th grade students who call Kingwood Church home.

Hope+ exists to help students grow deeper in their relationship with Jesus, become more like Him, build meaningful Christian community, discover how God has uniquely gifted them, and learn to use their influence to serve others and advance His Kingdom.

Hope+ isn't about being the loudest, most talented, or most spiritual student in the room. We're looking for students who are *hungry, teachable, committed, and willing to grow.*

BEFORE YOU APPLY

Hope+ is a commitment. It's not simply another event to attend.

Students who participate in Hope+ are expected to:

- Call Kingwood Church home and regularly participate in Sunday services.
- Be actively involved in Kingwood Students.
- Participate in monthly Collective Nights.
- Maintain at least *75% participation* in required Hope+ and Kingwood Students gatherings throughout the year, including Midweek, Movement Nights, Collective Nights, retreats, and other designated Hope+ experiences.
- Serve faithfully through assigned ministry rotations throughout the year.
- Come ready to learn, receive coaching, and grow.
- Represent Jesus and Kingwood Students with integrity at church, school, online, and in relationships.

ABOUT YOU

Full Name: _____

Grade: _____

School: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Student Phone: _____

Student Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Parent Phone: _____

Parent Email: _____

KINGWOOD + YOU

How long have you been attending Kingwood Church?

How often would you say you currently attend Kingwood on Sundays?

☐ Most Sundays
☐ 2–3 Sundays per month
☐ About once a month
☐ Occasionally

How long have you been regularly involved in Kingwood Students?

YOUR WALK WITH JESUS

Tell us about your relationship with Jesus right now.

How did you begin following Jesus?

What does following Jesus look like in your everyday life right now?

What is one area of your relationship with Jesus where you most want to grow this year?

Why do you want to be part of Hope+?

Hope+ will challenge you to grow, serve, and sometimes do things outside your comfort zone. How do you typically respond when someone challenges or corrects you?

THE HOPE+ COMMITMENT

Collective Nights

Collective Nights are the heartbeat of Hope+. These monthly gatherings are designed specifically for our Hope+ community and include discipleship, worship, community, leadership development, and opportunities to grow together.

Collective Nights meet the first Sunday of each month from 5:30–7:30 PM.

Important Dates

August 26 by 9:00 PM — Applications Due
August 27 — Accepted Hope+ students receive kickoff details

August 30 | 5:30–7:30 PM — Special Hope+ Kickoff Party
First Sundays | 5:30–7:30 PM — Monthly Collective Nights
November 20–22 — Hope+ Fall Retreat
December TBD — Hope+ Christmas Party

Attendance Commitment

Hope+ students are expected to maintain at least *75% participation* across required Hope+ and Kingwood Students gatherings.

We understand that students have school, sports, family commitments, sickness, vacations, and other responsibilities. We're not asking students to be at everything … but we are asking them to make Hope+ and the life of our church a priority and to show that through consistent participation.

Is there anything you currently know about that could make fulfilling this commitment difficult?

☐ No
☐ Yes — please explain:

SERVING + MINISTRY TEAMS

Serving isn't something Hope+ students do in addition *to* discipleship. *Serving is part of discipleship.*

Every Hope+ student will be placed on a ministry team and will rotate through different serving environments throughout the year. This gives students opportunities to discover their gifts, develop new skills, learn from adult leaders, and experience what it means to serve wherever they're needed.

Tell us about you.

Which areas sound interesting to you? Check any that apply.
This does not determine your assignment … we simply want to learn more about you.

☐ Connections (greeting / check in)

☐ RoomOps (room setup, games, offering, announcements)
☐ Snack Shack (concessions / hospitality)
☐ Photography

☐ Graphics / Creative
☐ Production / Tech
☐ Worship*

Worship requires a separate audition/process and is not included in the normal Hope+ team rotation.

Which describes you best? Check all that apply.

☐ I love meeting new people
☐ I enjoy working behind the scenes
☐ I'm creative
☐ I'm organized/detail-oriented
☐ I'm comfortable speaking in front of people
☐ I like technology
☐ I enjoy helping people
☐ I'm willing to try something new even if I'm uncomfortable

LEAD FROM THE FRONT

Hope+ students will also be invited to *Lead From the Front* during Midweek and on Sundays at Kingwood ... sitting together near Pastor Chris and Pastor Alana, engaging in worship and the message, welcoming other students, and modeling what it looks like to be fully present.

Sometimes leadership looks like *showing others how to show up***.**

REFERENCE

Please identify *one Christian adult who is not a relative* and knows you well enough to speak about your character, faith, and willingness to grow.

Name: _____

Relationship to You: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

☐ I have asked this person if they are willing to complete my Hope+ Reference Form.

MY COMMITMENT

If accepted into Hope+, I commit to:

☐ Pursue a growing relationship with Jesus.

☐ Call Kingwood Church home and actively participate in Sunday services.

☐ Be an active participant in Kingwood Students.

☐ Maintain at least 75% participation in required Hope+ gatherings and Kingwood Students experiences.

☐ Make Collective Nights a priority.

☐ Participate in the Hope+ Fall Retreat and other designated Hope+ experiences whenever possible.

☐ Faithfully serve on the ministry team where I am assigned and participate in team rotations.

☐ Communicate when I cannot fulfill a responsibility.

☐ Come ready to learn and grow.

☐ Represent Jesus and Kingwood Students with integrity.

☐ Help create a culture where other students feel welcomed, valued, and pointed toward Jesus.

I understand that Hope+ is a commitment to discipleship, community, serving, and growth … not simply a title or leadership position. I am willing to make this commitment for the 2026–2027 Hope+ year.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I have reviewed the expectations and important dates for Hope+ with my student. I understand that Hope+ requires consistent participation, including monthly Collective Nights, Kingwood Students gatherings, serving opportunities, and special experiences throughout the year.

I support my student in making this commitment and understand that transportation, scheduling, and family support play an important role in their ability to participate.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Applications must be submitted by Wednesday, August 26 at 9:00 PM. You may hand-deliver it, drop it off at the church office, or scan and email it to: cblackwell@kingwoodchurch.com

Applicants will receive communication regarding next steps by **Thursday, August 27.**

Questions? Contact Pastor Chris at **(205) 663-3933**