

Penn Northeast Conference  
PNEC Youth & Young Adults Ministry Team Purpose

**Purpose of Team:**

The PNEC Youth & Young Adult Ministry Team works to equip, connect, and transform youth and youth leaders throughout the PNEC conference. The team oversees or delegates the planning of PNEC events, including Annual Youth Retreat, Sleep-out for Homelessness, PNEC Mission Trips, Youth Leader Trainings, Coordination of PNEC participants for ERYE & NYE, and more.

The PNEC Youth & Young Adult Ministry Team is passionate about equipping youth, young adults, and PNEC congregations to make disciples of Jesus Christ for transformation of their world. We do this by encouraging best practices, sharing of ideas and resources, and providing excellent events and gatherings.

The PNEC Youth & Young Adult Ministry Team gathers PNEC youth and young adult leaders regularly for conversations, support, and sharing of ideas and resources.

**Describe how this Ministry Team aligns with the vision, mission, and goals of the Penn Northeast Conference and the United Church of Christ:**

The PNEC Youth & Young Adult Ministry Team supports PNEC local church ministries in the areas of youth and young adult ministry by learning and living out the Gospel, promoting life-long spiritual development, and encouraging growth in the Christian Faith for PNEC Youth and Young Adults.

**Goals:**

1. Host a conference-wide or regional Youth Group Event in this program year.
2. Host a conference-wide work camp
3. Schedule a recurring worship event designed and implemented by youth and young adults.
4. Host a "Diners, Drive-ins and Devos" event for young adults
5. Assure that each youth event provides a time for youth leaders to talk about goals and dreams for their church and faith life
6. Hold team building/trust activities across the conference or in regions for youth.
7. Provide one continuing education program for congregations/pastors on working with youth and young adults during this program year
8. Design and implement one or more youth/young adult worship and mission projects with a local or community partner.

**Describe how people can become engaged in this work of this Ministry Team**

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