



APPLICATION PROCESS FOR MEMBERSHIP 2015-2016

If you are interested in applying to be a member in The Exodus Project please complete the following:

- Complete the attached participant application and parent consent form.
- Write and type an essay with the topic of “Why I Want to Join The Exodus Project”. Your essay should be at least 200 words.
- Submit your application and essay in one of the following ways:
MAIL: The Exodus Project, P.O. Box 202, Bentonville, AR 72712
SCAN/E-MAIL: info@exodusprojectms.com

Once we receive and review your application packet, we will contact you for admission to the program and/or to schedule an interview and orientation. If you are admitted to the program, you will be required to purchase two shirts to use as your uniform which total \$25. Thank you for your interest in The Exodus Project!

The Exodus Project is a free non-profit individualized mentoring program for teens ages 12-18 in rural communities within Mississippi who are committed to becoming successful citizens. The program was founded in 2007 by Antonio and Coletta Patterson to help youth avoid succumbing to the negative influences of their environment and provide pathways to successfully fulfilling their greatest potential. Since its inception, over 100 youth have been served by the program. Approximately 50% of the program’s participants are from single-parent families, 60% of the participants are from low-income families and half will be first-generation college students.

The program provides leadership training, character building skills, individualized guidance, academic counsel, college preparation, job shadowing and exposure to new opportunities. Through monthly group meetings in Kosciusko participants are exposed to various career options as guest speakers share their successes. Students engage in community service projects, college tours, educational trips and are paired with a professional mentor.

For more information, call Antonio or Coletta Patterson at 662.739.7186 or email info@exodusprojectms.com.



**PARTICIPANT APPLICATION
2015-2016**

Date ____/____/____ New member Returning member

Name _____ Age _____

Street Address _____ City/Zip _____

Mailing Address (if different) _____ City/Zip _____

Home Phone # (____) _____ Student's Cell Phone # (____) _____

Parent's Cell Phone # (____) _____

Email _____ Birthday _____

Mother's Name _____ Father's Name _____

School Name _____ Grade _____

Grade Point Average _____ **OR** If GPA not known, check the appropriate box below:
 Mostly A's A's & B's B's & C's C's & D's

Do you have a learning disability? No Yes (If yes, what? _____)

Are you involved in extracurricular activities at school (*band, cheer, choir, sports, etc.*)? Please list:

Are you a member of the Boys & Girls Club? Yes No

List Your Hobbies/Things You Like to Do

2 Short-Term Goals (Things you want to do this school year)
1) _____
2) _____

2 Long-Term Goals (Things you want to do in the next 5 years)

- 1) _____
- 2) _____

List three (3) colleges you're interested in:

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

What Do You Want to Be When You Grow Up? _____

Places I'd Like to Visit: 1) _____ 2) _____

People I'd Like to Meet: 1) _____ 2) _____

On a scale of 1 to 10 (10 is the highest), please rate the following:

My self-esteem _____ My relationship with my mom _____

My home life _____ My relationship with my dad _____

My attitude _____

When I'm going through a difficult time, I usually talk to:

- My mom My dad My best friend My grandmother/grandfather
- My step mom My step dad My pastor Someone else (Who?) _____

The church I attend is _____

The one thing I'd most like to see changed in my life is

One thing I'd like to gain from being in The Exodus Project is

How did you hear about The Exodus Project? _____

What size t-shirt & polo shirt do you wear?

- Adult Small Adult Medium Adult Large Adult XL Adult 2XL Adult 3XL

Do you live in a single-parent home? Yes No

Do you receive free or reduced lunch at school? Yes No

Have either one of your parents graduated from a four-year college or university? Yes No

*The information contained in this application will remain confidential.
Please submit the completed application, parent consent form and typed essay.
 Thank you for your interest in The Exodus Project.*



PARENT CONSENT FORM

Participant's Name _____

Date _____

I grant permission for my child to participate in The Exodus Project and all program activities. As a parent/guardian, I understand I will be responsible for ensuring my child attends meetings, mentee appointments, activities and community service projects. I understand The Exodus Project (nor its directors- Antonio & Coletta Patterson, board members, staff or volunteers) is not liable in the event of an accident during Project activities including transportation to activities. In the event of an accident, I will be notified and if emergency medical treatment is needed, I will be responsible for any costs associated with treatment or transportation home. The Exodus Project is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged personal items.

I understand my child will be held according to the standards and expectations outlined in the handbook (you can download a copy from the website).

I consent to allow my child to be photographed and video taped during activities, trips and meetings for public service announcements, media releases, website, and other promotional purposes.

In the event my child does not submit progress reports and report cards as required by the handbook, I consent to allow Project Directors (Antonio & Coletta Patterson) to receive a copy of my child's progress report and report card directly from the school.

I understand The Exodus Project is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and participation is open to all students ages 12-18 regardless of race, ethnicity, or religious beliefs.

Parent/Guardian Printed Name

Parent/Guardian Signature

Parent/Guardian Phone Number

Parent/Guardian Alternate Phone Number

In case of an emergency and you cannot be reached, whom should we contact?

Name _____

Phone Number _____