



# Antwerp Youth Group

*Equipping Students for Faith, Service, and Leadership.*

**AYG FAMILY GUIDE 2026-2027**

## Welcome!

Welcome to Antwerp Youth Group! We're excited to partner with families as we help students grow in faith, build friendships, and follow Jesus together. AYG is a partnership of 5 local churches serving students and families in our area.

### WHEN & WHERE

- Wednesday nights from 6:30 to 8:30PM
- Riverside Christian Church, 15413 SR-49, Antwerp, OH 45813

### A TYPICAL NIGHT

- 6:15PM – 6:30PM Arrival / Check-in
- 6:30PM – 7:00PM Dinner / Fellowship
- 7:00PM – 7:15PM Games / Activities / Free Time
- 7:15PM – 7:30PM Worship / Music
- 7:30PM – 7:50PM Bible Teaching
- 7:50PM – 8:00PM Closing Prayer / Song / Dismiss to Classes
- 8:00PM – 8:30PM Small Groups / Discussion / Prayer
- 8:30PM – 8:45PM Dismiss / Parents Arrive / Check-out

### OUR GROUPS

- **Mustard Seeds (K – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade)**
- **PromiseLand (Grades 3 – 5)**
- **Mountain Movers (Grades 6 – 8)**
- **Rise Up! (Grades 9 – 12)**

### WHAT TO BRING

We want every student to feel known, valued, safe, and welcome. Students should come prepared with:

- A Bible, if they have one
- A positive attitude and willingness to participate
- Clothes appropriate for activities
- Any needed personal items or medications
- Friends are always welcome!

### 2026 / 2027 Calendar

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|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| • Wed, Sep. 09, 6:30PM         | Bonfire / Kickoff                       | • Wed, Jan. 06, 6:30PM        | Youth Group                         |
| • Wed, Sep. 16, 6:30PM         | Youth Group                             | • Wed, Jan. 13, 6:30PM        | Youth Group                         |
| • Wed, Sep. 23, 6:30PM         | Youth Group                             | • Wed, Jan. 20, 6:30PM        | Youth Group                         |
| • Wed, Oct. 30, 6:30PM         | Youth Group                             | • Wed, Jan. 27, 6:30PM        | Youth Group                         |
| • Wed, Oct. 07, 6:30PM         | Youth Group                             | • <b>Feb. TBA</b>             | <b>Winter Jam (Jr./Sr. High)</b>    |
| • Wed, Oct. 14, 6:30PM         | Youth Group                             | • Wed, Feb. 03, 6:30PM        | Youth Group                         |
| • <b>Wed, Oct. 21, 6:30PM</b>  | <b>THE GREAT CANDY QUEST (All Ages)</b> | • Wed, Feb. 10, 6:30PM        | Youth Group                         |
| • Wed, Oct. 28, 6:30PM         | Youth Group                             | • Wed, Feb. 17, 6:30PM        | Youth Group                         |
| • Wed, Nov. 04, 6:30PM         | Youth Group                             | • Wed, Feb. 24, 6:30PM        | Youth Group                         |
| • <b>Nov. 6 – 8 (Sr. High)</b> | <b>MI STATEWIDE TEEN CONVENTION</b>     | • Wed, Mar. 03, 6:30PM        | Youth Group                         |
| • Wed, Nov. 11, 6:30PM         | Youth Group                             | • Wed, Mar. 10, 6:30PM        | Youth Group                         |
| • <b>Wed, Nov. 18, 6:30PM</b>  | <b>GRATITUDE JOURNEY (All Ages)</b>     | • Wed, Mar. 17, 6:30PM        | Youth Group                         |
| • <b>Wed, Nov. 25</b>          | <b>NO YOUTH GROUP</b>                   | • <b>Wed, Mar. 24, 6:30PM</b> | <b>NO YOUTH GROUP</b>               |
| • Wed, Dec. 02, 6:30PM         | Youth Group                             | • Wed, Mar. 31, 6:30PM        | Youth Group                         |
| • Wed, Dec. 09, 6:30PM         | Youth Group                             | • <b>Sun, Apr. TBA</b>        | <b>Youth Sunday (All Ages)</b>      |
| • <b>Wed, Dec. 16, 6:30PM</b>  | <b>CHRISTMAS PARTY (All Ages)</b>       | • Wed, Apr. 07, 6:30PM        | Youth Group                         |
| • <b>Wed, Dec. 23</b>          | <b>NO YOUTH GROUP</b>                   | • Wed, Apr. 14, 6:30PM        | Youth Group                         |
| • <b>Wed, Dec. 30</b>          | <b>NO YOUTH GROUP</b>                   | • Wed, Apr. 21, 6:30PM        | Youth Group                         |
|                                |                                         | • <b>Wed, Apr. 28, 6:30PM</b> | <b>END OF YEAR PARTY (All Ages)</b> |



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## Helpful Information for Families

Here are the key details families will use most often throughout the year, including check-in, communication, registration, and important reminders.

### REGISTRATION & FORMS

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In order for your child or student to participate in our youth group program, we must have a current copy of the following forms:

- Annual Student Registration and Release – this form contains required contact, medical, and insurance information for our records.
  - **Each student** you drop off and pick up must have this form submitted.
  - View and submit it online at [antwerpyouthgroup.com](https://antwerpyouthgroup.com) > under “Register Your Student(s) Below!”
- Parent / Guardian Information – this form contains contact information for each student’s parent or guardian
  - Only one form is required per family
  - Also available at [antwerpyouthgroup.com](https://antwerpyouthgroup.com) > under “Register Your Student(s) Below!”
- If contact or medical information changes, feel free to submit a new form at the links above.

### FIRST-TIME GUESTS

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- Guests are always welcome
- A parent or guardian can register a first-time guest on site if needed
- Leaders will gladly help new families through the process

### CHECK-IN PROCEDURES

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- Doors open and check-in will begin at 6:15PM each Wednesday night.
- Parents and guardians can visit [antwerpyouthgroup.com](https://antwerpyouthgroup.com), scan the QR code, or visit the kiosk inside the side entrance to check in.
- You may also download the chmeetings app at <https://onelink.to/chmeetings-app> to stay up to date on all events and notifications.
- At check-in, parents and students will be given a matching alphanumeric code. If we don’t know the parent or guardian picking up that student, they must have the correct code for us to release the student.

Example Check-in QR Code:



### CHECK-OUT, PICKUP & SAFETY

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- Students will be released by 8:30PM each Wednesday night through the side entrance.
- Parents and guardians can check their student out by using the kiosk or a logged-in device connected to both the parent and student.
- Please use extreme caution when walking and driving through the parking area.
- If someone different will be picking up your child, or if your student will need to leave early, please communicate that in advance when possible.

### HOW WE COMMUNICATE

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- CHMeetings announcements and updates (download the app at <https://onelink.to/chmeetings-app>)
- Email or text communication (urgent information or emergencies)
- Church announcements and bulletins (upcoming events)

### OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW & SERVE

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- Students will have opportunities to worship, learn, build friendships, and serve throughout the school year.
- Middle and high school students may also have opportunities to lead, help, and grow in responsibility.
- Pray that all of our students will grow in faith, service, and leadership this year!