

2008 Georgia Teen Institute Registration Information

WHEN: June 23-27, 2008

WHERE: Oxford College, Oxford, GA

TEAM COMPOSITION: A team is generally comprised of at least four youth and must have at least one adult as a team member. If a team is co-ed, one adult must be male and one female, for supervision purposes. Youth members must be enrolled in grades 9-12 for the 2008-2009 school year. Neither youth nor adults should be currently experiencing a substance abuse or significant mental health problem. A team must consist of at least 1 youth and 1 adult, but no more than 12 persons, youth and adults. There should be at least one adult per six participants.

FEES: \$365 per participant, youth or adult. Make checks payable to GUIDE, Inc. The registration fee includes five days, four nights lodging, all meals beginning with lunch on Monday and ending with lunch on Friday, all Teen Institute materials, training and the use of Oxford College's recreational facilities during free times.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Any cancellations received after May 23, 2008, will result in forfeiture of \$100.00 of the registration fee per cancelled participant.

There will be NO REFUNDS after June 1, 2008.

Because of this strict cancellation policy, we suggest recruiting alternate team members (youth and adults) who can fill in if someone is not able to fulfill his/her commitment. If possible, please select alternates of the same sex.

REGISTRATION PRIORITY: First priority will be given to teams whose fees are paid in full and whose registration materials have been received by the deadline. All team registrations will be dated upon receipt. You are urged to send your registration forms in as soon as possible. **SPACE IS LIMITED!**

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: **May 16, 2008**

LATE FEES: A \$50 late fee per person, per week will be charged for registrations received after the deadline. *This policy will be strictly enforced.*

HOW TO REGISTER: After your team members and alternates have been selected, give them the youth registration packets to be completed and returned to you well before May 16th so that you may submit a complete registration packet to our office. If each participant is responsible for his/her own registration fee, their checks should accompany their completed forms. (If you wish to use a purchase order to cover the registration fees, please call our office in advance.) Complete a team registration form. Send the team registration form, all of the participants' individual registration forms, notarized parent consent forms, and check(s) for the registration fees to:

Georgia Teen Institute, P.O. Box 1922, Lawrenceville, GA 30046

2008 Georgia Teen Institutes * Team Registration Form

Team Name _____
(This is what will appear on the team's nametags at Teen Institute.)

School/Organization Name (if different than above) _____

Contact Person _____

Mailing Address _____
Street Number

City _____ Zip Code _____

Contact Person's Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

E-mail _____

Adult Advisor(s) _____

Which program will this team attend? (CHECK ONE)

_____ Middle School Teen Institute at Oxford College, June 17-20

_____ Georgia Teen Institute at Oxford College, June 23-27

Which Team Development Level would your team like to attend?

_____ **Basic** (For those who have a new team or new team members who need to learn the basics of team management, group goal setting and other team essentials.)

_____ **Advanced** (For those teams who are fully functional independent from Teen Institute but want to learn how to sustain themselves, recruit and train new team members and revisit team development issues.)

Which Workshop Track would you like for your team to attend? (See descriptions on next page)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Tobacco Use Prevention | <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol Use Prevention | <input type="checkbox"/> Violence Prevention |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health, Fitness, Nutrition | <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Abstinence | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Leadership |

For Office Use Only:

Date Received: _____ Cost per person: _____ # Team Members: _____

Total Cost: _____ Check: _____ Other funding: _____

Scholarships _____

Roommates: _____ RA: _____ FG: _____ Confirmation: _____

Notes:

Workshop Track Descriptions

Each team should choose the workshop track that best meets their interest and needs. Teams will attend workshop sessions as a group. Two sessions will be dedicated to motivation and learning and a follow up session will focus on how to act upon the team's new found knowledge. Workshop Tracks will be assigned based on your selection whenever possible. If the track you select is not available, you will be contacted for an alternate choice.

Tobacco Use Prevention Track

Participants will learn the important and little known facts about tobacco; how human bodies are harmed by nicotine (not just smoke), the nature of addiction relating to youth users; and tactics used by the tobacco industry to promote tobacco use to teens. Participants will explore ways to change attitudes in their communities relating to tobacco use by examining what youth-based initiatives have worked in other areas, and will begin developing a plan on how best to advocate for policy changes relating to tobacco-use. The track will be informative, fun, interactive, and interesting. After participating in this track, participants will be the experts in all there is to know about tobacco.

* An advanced track may be available.

Alcohol Use Prevention Track

Participants will learn how alcohol affects the developing teen brain; the reasoning behind the Under 21 law; the nature of alcohol dependence (addiction); tactics used by the alcohol industry to desensitize youth to the harmful effects of alcohol; and the unbalanced monetary costs associated with preventing underage drinking and dealing with problems caused by underage drinking. Participants will explore ways to change attitudes in their communities that tolerate and/or promote underage drinking and develop plans to address this issue within their own communities. This track will be eye-opening, fun, engaging and should be attended by teams serious about making a difference in underage drinking prevention. Participants will become experts in underage drinking prevention and facts about alcohol and teens.

Violence Prevention Track

Participants will learn how violence creeps into our every day life through pop culture and media; the ways in which violence manifests in school and in the community; the methods to recognize subtle tendencies towards violence as individuals; how violence in our communities affect youth development; and what can be done to mitigate violent acts and to promote peace building. Participants will explore violence in their own schools and communities and develop strategies to promote mediation and compassion. This track is designed for teams that want to learn more about bullying, dating violence, fighting and hate-related crimes and to make a difference in their community.

Health, Fitness, Nutrition Track

Participants will learn about the epidemic of obesity and unhealthy habits in the US and the world; the ways in which individuals can take responsibility for their own health; the activities that promote a healthier body and mind; and techniques to help change attitudes about health and fitness in a school or community setting. Participants will explore ways to help their community embrace health, fitness and nutrition as a way of life. Not only will individuals benefit by learning new life-long skills in managing their own stress, fitness and eating habits, but teams will begin to plan action steps to make a difference in their communities. This track will be fun, interactive, and will teach the skills needed to create a truly healthy community.

Sexual Abstinence Track

Participants will learn about the benefits of staying abstinent from sexual activity; healthy ways to have romantic relationships as a teen and into adulthood; national and local statistics when it comes to teen pregnancy; and how sex in the media creates unrealistic expectations. Participants will explore their own hopes for the future and how early sexual activity can prevent them from reaching certain goals. This track is designed for teams that want to make a difference in their community by offering teens a realistic alternative to prolonging the onset of sexual activity and to decrease teen pregnancy and rates of sexually transmitted infections. The track will be educational, interesting and eye-opening.

Community Leadership Track

Participants will learn the basic aspects of creating community-based change and working with local resources to develop youth-friendly volunteer opportunities. This workshop will focus on the value of intentional community service. Ideas for service projects will be shared with discussion on how to enhance current community service projects. Participants will explore ways to incorporate service-learning, prevention, and other unique service aspects to create more comprehensive and impactful volunteer projects. The track will be informative, fun, interactive, and interesting.

2008 Georgia Teen Institutes * Team Registration Form

List each team member below. PRINT CLEARLY or type. Indicate roommate preferences on this sheet. ROOMMATE CHANGES WILL NOT BE MADE AT TEEN INSTITUTE. Adult Advisors will not room with youth unless by special request.

Team Name _____

Sex Team Member's Name

M F _____

M F _____

M F _____

M F _____

M F _____

M F _____

M F _____

M F _____

M F _____

M F _____

M F (adult) _____

M F (adult) _____

Please Note: Participants room two to a room. If your team consists of an odd number of males or females, the odd person will share a room with a student from another school, but will remain on the same hall. **If you are including paperwork for ALTERNATES, please fill out a separate sheet labeled "alternates," and include it with the Team Registration Form.**

2008 Georgia Teen Institute Adult Advisor Information

Georgia Teen Institute
June 23-27, 2008
Oxford College, Oxford, GA
COST: \$365

The Georgia Teen Institute (GTI) involves youth and adults in planning and implementing prevention programs to reduce alcohol, tobacco and other drug use and other high risk behaviors. Teams of students and adults work together to identify local concerns and develop a plan of action. They attend educational and skill-building workshops, discussion groups and social and recreational activities. They learn, explore feelings and experiences, and have fun, too. There are elective workshops specifically for adult advisors addressing topics ranging from media influences to how to help your team keep moving after GTI is over.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING UNITS (PLU's): Since 1989, the Georgia Teen Institutes have been approved for SDU's for school personnel. Since Georgia has now changed to PLU's, we applied to the State Department of Education for this summer's programs, and received approval. Educators who attend the adult advisor track at the high school program are eligible for 40 contact hours, or 4 PLU's. A Prior Approval Form is required and should be downloaded from the GTI website and returned to the GTI office prior to Teen Institute. If you have questions about PLUs, please contact our office.

ADULT ADVISORS' ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Arrive by 11 a.m. on Monday, June 23.
- Supervise team members.
- Assist in chaperoning all teen participants at Teen Institute.
- Participate in the team's action planning process.
- Participate in ALL scheduled activities.
- Attend the Adult Advisor Track workshops.
- Role model enthusiasm, cooperation, encouragement, and respect for the opinions and capabilities of all participants.
- Continue to be involved after Teen Institute.
- Refrain from using tobacco, alcohol, or drugs during Teen Institute.
- Stay on campus at all times.
- NOTE: The first meal is lunch on Monday, June 23. The last meal is lunch on Friday, June 27.

We hope you decide to become part of the Teen Institute experience—you won't regret it!! If you'd like to talk to other adult advisors who have been to Teen Institute before, contact our office and we'll send you a list of names and phone numbers.

2008 Georgia Teen Institutes * Adult Advisor Registration Form

Team Name _____

Name _____ Title _____

Address where you would like to receive TI mailings _____

Work Phone _____ Summer Phone _____

Fax # _____ Social Security Number (for PLU purposes) _____

E-mail address _____

(This will be used for TI purposes only. Confirmation that your registration has been received and communication during 2008-2009 will be sent via this e-mail address. If an e-mail address is not listed, all correspondence will be mailed to the above address.)

T-shirt size S M L XL XXL XXXL XXXXL

Optional Demographics for Grant Reporting Purposes

Race/Ethnicity: _____ African-American _____ Caucasian _____ Hispanic/Latino _____ Asian
_____ Native American _____ Multi-Racial _____ Other: _____

Birth date _____/_____/_____ (MM/DD/YY)

List special dietary or physical needs _____

List allergies and/or any medical information needed in case of an emergency _____

Emergency Contact _____

Relationship _____ Phone number _____

Statement of commitment: I have read the Adult Advisor's Roles and Responsibilities and understand generally what is expected of these volunteers. I also understand that the Georgia Teen Institutes are tobacco, alcohol, and drug-free experiences for all participants. I am interested in participating in the 2008 Georgia Teen Institute with the youth from our school (or organization), and agree to follow these guidelines to the best of my ability.

Signature of Adult Advisor

Date

2008 High School Teen Institute Youth Participant Information

When: June 23 - 27, 2008

Registration is from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. on June 23; check out on June 27 is at 2 p.m.

Breakfast on the 23rd and dinner on the 27th are on your own.

Oxford College, Oxford, GA

COST: \$365

PARTICIPANTS AGREE TO:

- Stay during the entire Teen Institute.
- Work with their teams to develop action plans.
- Remain tobacco, alcohol, and other drug-free during the Teen Institute.
- Continue to be involved in prevention activities after Teen Institute.
- Attend and participate in all scheduled activities.
- Follow all rules and regulations established by the Teen Institute.

WHAT TO BRING:

- Bedding and towels- Bed linens or sleeping bag for twin bed, blanket, pillow, towels, wash cloths.
- Casual Clothes- Shorts, t-shirts, tennis shoes, jeans, light-weight jacket or sweater, swimwear. No bikini-type swimwear is allowed, and cover-ups and shoes must be worn to the pool. See TI Dress Code for more information. (Recreational options include swimming, tennis, basketball, and volleyball, and participants are encouraged to bring appropriate clothes and shoes for these activities.)
- Miscellaneous- Soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, other personal toiletries, rain gear, alarm clock, flashlight, paper, pen, pencil.
- Optional- Flip flops for shower, bucket to carry shower items, recreational equipment (basketball, tennis racquet, balls, cards, etc.), t-shirts from your club or school team.
- Extra Money- The registration fee covers all lodging and meal expenses. While we suggest that you not bring much cash with you, vending machines are available for soft drinks and snacks, and the TI store will have some souvenirs. TI Store items range from 25 cents to \$30. The campus bookstore will also be open. Free time arts and crafts are either free or range from \$1 to \$3. There are no change machines; bring change.

WHAT NOT TO BRING:

Cell phones, pagers, two-way radios, skateboards, knives, firearms or weapons of any kind (including water battle arms), tobacco or alcohol products, unprescribed or illegal drugs, fireworks, TVs, microwaves, coolers, phones or valuables. If you bring valuables, you will be responsible for their safekeeping. GTI and Oxford College will not assume responsibility for any items that are lost, stolen, or damaged.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Call Jessica Andrews at 678/377-4135, e-mail info@georgiati.org, visit www.georgiati.org or write Georgia Teen Institute, P.O. Box 1922, Lawrenceville, GA 30046.

2008 Georgia Teen Institutes * Youth Registration Form

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY.

Registrant

Alternate

Team Name _____

Name _____

Male

Female

Mailing Address _____

Street/Apartment Number

City

ZIP Code

E-mail address _____

(To be used for TI purposes only. Confirmation that you are registered and communication during 2008-2009 will be sent via e-mail. If an e-mail is not listed, all correspondence will be sent to the mailing address.)

Phone _____

What grade will you be in this Fall? 9 10 11 12

Optional Demographics for Grant Reporting Purposes

Race/Ethnicity: _____ African-American _____ Caucasian _____ Hispanic _____ Asian
_____ Native American _____ Multi-Racial _____ Other: _____

Birth date ____/____/____ (MM/DD/YY) **Do you receive Free/Reduced Lunch at school?** ____ Yes ____ No ____ Unsure

T-shirt size S M L XL XXL XXXL

List allergies (especially medications): _____

List special dietary needs (including food allergies): _____

List any medications being taken, illness(es) being treated, or other information needed in case of an emergency: _____

Health and Accident Insurance Provider: _____

Group Number: _____ Policy Number: _____

Statement of Commitment: I have read the Youth Participant Information sheet and understand that participants agree to attend the entire Teen Institute program, participate in all scheduled activities, follow all rules and regulations, work with their teams to develop an action plan and continue to be involved in prevention activities after the Teen Institute. I also agree to remain tobacco, alcohol, and other drug-free during the Teen Institute. I am interested in participating in the 2008 Georgia Teen Institute with the other team members designated by my school (or organization) and agree to follow these expectations to the best of my ability. If circumstances arise which later prohibit my attendance, I will notify the team coordinator as soon as soon as possible and assist in finding a replacement.

Signature of Youth Participant/Alternate

Date

2008 Georgia Teen Institutes * Parent Consent/Release Form

RELEASE, WAIVER, AND INDEMNIFICATION

The undersigned and his/her parent or legal guardian, if the participant is under the age of 18 years, do hereby execute this release, waiver, and indemnification for himself/herself and his/her heirs, successors, representatives, and assigns, and hereby agree to represent as follows:

The undersigned release Oxford College, GUIDE, Inc., Georgia Teen Institute, and Gwinnett County and their officers, employees, and agents from any and all liability, loss, damage, costs, claims, or causes of action including, but not limited to, all bodily injuries and property damages arising out of the sole negligence of Oxford College, GUIDE, Inc., GTI, or Gwinnett County.

The undersigned further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the said above from any and all liability, loss, damage costs, claim, or causes of action, including attorney's fees and witness costs, arising out of the undersigned's participation in the Georgia Teen Institutes.

The undersigned further gives permission for the participant to take part in a survey used to evaluate the program and to be photographed, videotaped, or quoted during the Georgia Teen Institutes to be used for promotional purposes.

Signature of Participant

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

AGREEMENT AND CONSENT FOR TREATMENT

This is to certify that I, the undersigned parent or guardian, hereby consent to and authorize the administration and performance of all needed medicines, surgical treatment, and the administration of any anesthetic which, in the opinion of the attending physician, may be necessary and advisable in the event of any medical emergencies regarding my son/daughter. It is understood that efforts shall be made to contact the undersigned prior to rendering emergency treatment to the patient.

Parent/Guardian Signature_____

Date_____

Parent/Guardian Name (Printed)_____

Home Phone_____ Other Phone_____

Notary_____

Date_____

(This must be signed and stamped by a notary before it is returned.)