



## Omaha Street School

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### **VOLUNTEER LIFESTYLE STATEMENT**

The Omaha Street School is an evangelical Christian ministry dedicated to the belief that faith in Jesus Christ and obedience to His Word and commands are the solution to the problems that face students. He is the only one who can truly give them hope and purpose for their future. Most of our students do not come from homes where the love of Christ or a godly lifestyle is exhibited. Drug, alcohol abuse, and sexual promiscuity are often the norm. OSS staff and volunteers may be the only positive, Christ-like example that students will encounter. It is therefore imperative that OSS volunteers exhibit a moral lifestyle and example while modeling Christ's redeeming and life-changing power. It is understood that believers differ in the particulars of this according to personal conviction and their own upbringing. The following, however, are the standards for the Omaha Street School staff and volunteers:

- Volunteers of OSS are never to engage in the use, sale, or distribution of any illegal drug or substance.
- Volunteers are not to engage in the consumption of tobacco products of any kind in the presence of students. Furthermore, they are not to advocate or make light of tobacco use to any members of the student body.
- Volunteers are to refrain from the use of swear or curse words.
- Volunteers of OSS encouraged not to engage in and expected not to advocate premarital, extramarital, or same sex relationships. To avoid even the appearance of sin, unrelated individuals of opposite genders should not cohabit.

There is considerable difference in opinion and conviction among Christians on the consumption of alcoholic beverages. While some are raised to believe that alcoholic use of any kind at any time is wrong, other Christians have varying degrees of tolerance and agreement as to what is appropriate. The vast majority of OSS students come from alcoholic families and backgrounds, therefore OSS volunteers should never consume or advocate its usage in the presence of students, and great care and discretion should be used when consuming alcohol in public even outside of the presence of students.

I understand the importance of my moral behavior in and outside of the presence of students at OSS. I agree to the conditions contained in this agreement and will seek to uphold the moral standard and mission of OSS.

Signature\_\_\_\_\_

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