2013 NOMINATION FORM

(See Position Descriptions on Back)

Elections will be held for vice-president and treasurer of the WND Lutheran Youth Organization. Conference elections will also be held for representatives from the East Missouri, Lonetree, and Western Prairie Conferences. If a youth is interested in any of the offices, please have them fill out this nomination form and return it with your registration form to the registrar or bring it to the gathering. These elections are open to youth members of ELCA churches in the Western North Dakota Synod who are in the 9th, 10th, and 11th grades ONLY. Candidates must commit to attending four meetings per year for two years.

NOMINATIONS FOR WND Synod LYO Board

MARK ONE:	VICE PRESIDENT (2 year-term – 1 year as vice president, then 2 nd year as President of the LYO Board) TREASURER (2 years)		
	CONFERENCE REPRESENTATIVE (2 years)		
NAME:	CHURCH/CITY:		
ADDRESS:	CONFERENCE:		
EMAIL:	PHONE:		
YEAR IN SCHOOL:			
1. Describe your Cong	regation/Ministry Involvement:		
2. Describe your involv	vement in school/community activities:		
3. Briefly explain why you would like to serve in this way:			
<u>COMMITMENT CLAUSE:</u> I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS POSITION IS FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM BEGINNING IN October 2013 and ending in October 2015. I understand that part of my commitment to this LYO board includes a willingness to invest my time. Serving in this position involves attending four meetings a year. I hereby make a commitment to be present at all these meetings and carry out my responsibilities as a member of this board.			
Signature	Date		

NO CAMPAIGNING OF ANY KIND ALLOWED MAKE EXTRA COPIES AS NEEDED

POSITION DESCRIPTIONS FOR LYO BOARD OFFICERS & CONFERENCE REPRESENTATIVES

VICE PRESIDENT

The synod LYO vice president is elected to a two-year term on the WND Synod LYO Board, serving the first year as vice president then transitioning into a second year serving as president of the Western North Dakota Synod LYO Board.

Expectations of the Vice President:

- Encourage all youth of the synod to grow in their faith and participate in the life of the congregation, synod, and wider church
- Encourage and support all LYO Board members
- Acts in the absence of the president, assuming the responsibilities of the president
- Supports the president by accepting duties and responsibilities assigned.
- Assist in the planning and promotion of the annual WND Synod LYO Gathering.
- Attend all meetings of the LYO Board (usually 3 times per year, and the fall gathering)

Expectations of the President:

- Encourage all youth of the synod to grow in their faith and participate in the life of the congregation, synod, and wider church
- Encourage and support all LYO Board members
- Preside over all meetings of the WND Synod LYO Board and business meetings of the gathering
- Work with Board advisor to prepare agendas for all meetings of the LYO Board
- Represent the WND Synod LYO Board at functions of the synod and the ELCA, such as the Western North Dakota Synod Assembly, synod council meetings, and national gatherings of synod youth organization presidents.
- Submit reports to the WND Synod Assembly and the WND Synod Council.
- Attend all meetings of the LYO Board (usually 3 times per year, and the fall gathering)

TREASURER

The synod LYO secretary is elected to a two-year term on the WND Synod LYO Board.

Expectations of the Treasurer

- Encourage all youth of the synod to grow in their faith and participate in the life of the congregation, synod, and wider church
- Encourage and support all LYO Board members
- Report on the financial activity of the Western North Dakota Lutheran Youth Organization.
- Assist in the planning and promotion of the annual WND Synod LYO Gathering.
- Attend all meetings of the LYO Board (usually 3 times per year, and the fall gathering)

CONFERENCE REPRESENTATIVE

Conference Representatives are elected to a two-year term on the WND Synod LYO Board.

Expectations of Conference Representatives:

- Encourage all youth of the synod to grow in their faith and participate in the life of the congregation, synod, and wider church.
- Encourage and support all LYO Board members.
- Assist in the planning and promotion of the annual WND Synod LYO Gathering.
 - Communicate with the congregations of their respective conference,
 - Encourage congregations in their support of youth in ministry in their communities.
 - Encourage congregations to participate in synod and national youth events.
 - \circ $\;$ $\;$ Promote the annual gathering within their conference.
- Attend all meetings of the LYO Board (usually 3 times per year, and the fall gathering)

CODE OF CONDUCT WND LYO GATHERING OCTOBER 17-19, 2013– Minot, ND

As a participant of the Western North Dakota Synod Lutheran Youth Organization Gathering, I agree to:

- exhibit the conduct and behavior of one who follows Jesus Christ.
- Participate in all scheduled events.
- Abide by curfew times and respect others' rights to quiet, at stated quiet times.
- **Show respect** for myself and all other participants of this event as well as the facility we use, the people who work there, and the community that is hosting us.
- NOT to bring or use alcohol or other non-prescribed drugs including tobacco products.
- Not to bring any weapons of any kind to the event.
- Not to use offensive language.
- Not to engage in sexual activity.
- Follow the open door policy which states that if either gender who are attending the youth gathering visit friends in their room during free time, the door to the room must be left open and all roommates must agree to the visitor being there.
- Keep my cell phone on silent during all activities of the event.
- Have Fun!

A warning will be given for breaking the covenant about:

Respecting others Curfew Participation in the event Language Open door policy

The participant will be sent home and/or suspended from future synodical events for repeatedly breaking the covenant items above or the following:

Illegal Drugs, alcohol or tobacco products Sexual activity

Western North Dakota Lutheran Youth Organization Board and Adult Advisors have the final say in the interpretation and enforcement of the Code of Conduct. If a participant is to be sent home, he or she will be financially responsible for any costs incurred.

Participant's name

Congregation

I recognize that I am joining the Christian Family and Community. I agree to abide by this Code of Conduct Covenant while I am a member of this community. I understand that if I break this covenant, I may be sent home at my parents' expense.

Participant's signature _____

Parental/Guardian signature (if participant is registered as a youth participant):

WESTERN NORTH DAKOTA SYNOD LUTHERAN YOUTH ORGANIZATION GATHERING OCTOBER 17-19, 2013 – Grand International Inn, Minot

MEDICAL RELEASE FORM

While every attempt is made to make the Western North Dakota Synod Lutheran Youth Organization Gathering a safe and fun experience, there is always the chance that participants will need medical care. Accidents can and do happen.

This completed form (one for each participant) must be with the adult advisor at all times.

Participant's Name

As parent/guardian of the above named minor, I hereby grant permission for my son/daughter to participate in the **2013** Western North Dakota Synod LYO Gathering, in Minot, ND held October 17-19, 2013.

I also grant permission for any adult chaperone with our group or event coordinators to take whatever steps may be necessary to obtain emergency care as warranted for the well being of my son/daughter. These steps may include but are not limited to the following;

• Attempts to contact a parent or guardian • Attempts to contact youth's physician

Seek medical examination/ treatment for injuries/ condition by medical professional

Name of Parent/Guardian:			
Home Address:	City:	Zip	
Home () Cell ()	Work ()		
Emergency Contact Person: (This person will be notified if parent/guardian is unavailable.)			
Home () Cell ()	Work ()		
Medical Insurance Company Number			
Medical Insurance Policy Number Group Number (if applicable)			
Name of Policy Holder	Policy Holder's Date of Bir	th	
Medications being taken/dosage/frequency:			
List ALL Allergies (food/meds/pets/etc.):			
Date of last Tetanus shot			
List any special dietary needs			
Please state any additional health, emotional or other conditions of which we should be aware			

My signature below indicates that I understand and agree to the policy and terms listed above and agree that any expenses incurred in necessary emergency or other medical treatment will be borne solely by the youth's medical coverage and/or family. I will not hold any leader or organization liable for any injury or accident.

Participant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature (if participant is under 18)

Date