

# Student Achievement Ministry



## HANDBOOK/GUIDELINES

## **Mission Statement:**

The Student Achievement Ministry of Mount Pisgah Baptist Church inspires youth to walk with Christ. The ministry exists to connect, engage, recognize and support our youth from Pre-K through College while growing with Christ. We seek to give our youth courage to live the Word in their daily living, not just a mental knowledge of the Word. Our four focus areas are: Education, Ministry, Mission/Outreach, and Fellowship/Recreation.

As a church, it is important to keep track of our youth to see how they are growing and to make sure that we as a church body support and encourage in each season of their journey. The Student Achievement Ministry supports Pastor Wendell G. Parker's vision. In accordance with his vision the Student Achievement Ministry will track our youth's educational journey from Pre-K to graduation from high school, and then from college to career field.

## **Vision/Goal:**

To recognize Mount Pisgah's youth school accomplishments and awards (i.e honor roll, attendance, positive behavior, etc.) at the end of the 9-week school period, as well as recognizing and celebrating those being promoted to higher grade levels and graduating from High School and College. Proverbs 22:6: "Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it."

## **Student Achievement Ministry:**

Dr. Rochelle Redus, *Ministry Leader*

Deacon Steve Eskridge

Sis. Wanda Eskridge

Sis. Lichelle McGhee

Sis. Katina Veasley

Sis. Lenetria Wilkins

Sis. Shirley James

Deacon Ronald Jones

Bro. Reginald Redus

Bro. Pete Wallace

## **Contributions:**

Proverbs 5:21 says, "For a man's ways are before the LORD's eyes, and he considers all his paths."

The primary source of income for the Student Achievement Ministry budget will come from volunteer contributions to the scholarship fund. The tracking of contributions will be monitored by the ministry leader via communicating with the trustee ministry monthly. Every third Sunday will be identified for scholarship giving.

## **Recognition Celebrations:**

The Student Achievement Ministry hosts two types of recognition celebrations, which includes celebrations at the end of each nine weeks and promotion/graduation celebrations.

### **9 Week Recognition:**

During the Student Achievement Recognition Sunday, each youth Pre-K through College that has submitted their achievement information **by the announced deadline** will be recognized at the recognition celebration.

## Promotion/Graduation Recognition:

All names must be submitted to the Student Achievement Ministry no later than **April 1<sup>st</sup>** each year to be recognized at the Student Achievement Ministry Graduation and Promotion Celebration.

Graduation/Promotion Recognitions levels are as follows:

Pre-kindergarten promoted to Kindergarten  
Kindergarten promoted to 1st Grade  
5th Grade promoted to 6th Grade  
8th Grade promoted to 9th Grade  
High School Graduates  
College Graduates

College Graduates include tech school, career school, bachelors, masters, and doctrine.

## Qualifications:

***Active members consist of participation in a ministry, and/or Sunday school, bible study, events etc. Active members are visually seen within the church.***

### Active members:

- High School graduating **active** members (membership will be verified through the business office) will receive a monetary gift at the May celebration. If the youth member produces proof of enrollment into a career or traditional college for the fall and spring semester, in December the youth member will receive an additional monetary gift at the December recognition.
- College graduating **active** members from a tech school, career school, bachelors, masters, and/or doctrine (membership will be verified through the business office) will receive a monetary gift at the May celebration.

### Non-active members:

- Graduating **non-active** members (membership will be verified through the business office) will receive a one-time monetary gift at the May celebration.
- College graduating **non-active** members (membership will be verified through the business office) will receive a monetary gift at the May celebration.

### Non-members:

- If a youth is not a member of Mount Pisgah Baptist Church, graduating **non-members** (membership will be verified through the business office) will receive a one-time gift card at the May celebration and do not qualify for the monetary gift.
- College graduating **non-members** (membership will be verified through the business office) will receive a gift card at the May celebration.