

## **GUARD**

# **Guys Understanding Authority** & Real Discipleship

This is a non-competitive event.

#### **Purpose**

To foster a spirit of cooperation and fellowship among Christian teen boys, and to develop a spiritual relationship and dependence on one another for strength to overcome temptation and serve faithfully. To grow in the ability to lead and participate in Bible classes and worship services.

### **Event Participation**

Open to boys in grades 6-12. GUARD is not recommended for boys younger than sixth grade. Books may be ordered through the <u>L2L Online Store</u>.

#### **Event Rules and Guidelines**

- 1. The entire GUARD book should be covered within the convention year. This study may be done in a Bible class, during homeschool sessions, or other setting that suits the group. Classes may be done weekly in a boys-only Bible class on Sunday or Wednesday, or they may be weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly at someone's home on another day of the week.
- 2. Each study group must have at least one adult male mentor who is responsible for tracking the progress of each group member.
- 3. Sessions should begin and end with prayers led by group members. Prayer requests should be taken and honored at the time of the opening prayer.
- 4. Each session should cover a chapter in the GUARD curriculum.
- 5. All members of the class should participate in the discussion. The mentor should be present to facilitate the discussion and answer any questions that may arise.
- 6. Six or more projects from the ends of the chapters must be chosen and completed by the boys within the year. The boys may all choose the same projects or may choose different ones.
- 7. Mentors should complete the GUARD verification form (available in a later section of this rulebook) and sign it for submission to the Group Leader by the convention registration deadline date. The forms DO NOT need to be mailed to the National Service Center. **Group leaders are to electronically verify each participant of this event in the registration system.**

#### **Awards**

There will be recognition at the annual convention for all boys who complete the requirements listed above. Participant names will be listed in the convention yearbook.