

# Youth Voices and Vision

A PROGRAM OF YOUNG WOMEN OF PROMISE, INC.

## Freedom of Choice Agreement

To be completed by all students volunteering to participate in the

### **B**(uilding) **U**(nbalanced) **S**(ystems) **B**oycott

Name of School or Participating Organization: **Young Women of Promise, Inc./Youth Voices and Vision**

Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Date Boycott Scheduled to begin: **January 21, 2008**

Date boycott scheduled to end: **April 4, 2008**

1. As a student of \_\_\_\_\_ (School) located in Charlotte, North Carolina, I volunteer to participate in this boycott sponsored as part of the Youth Voices and Vision leadership development program. I understand that I might learn while giving my time as a responsible citizen in addressing pressing juvenile justice issues.
2. I understand that by participating in this boycott, I am refusing to give up my seat in school and will consider the potential consequences of dropping out prior to graduation.
3. I understand that by participating in this boycott, I have consciously made more productive choices and I am refusing to ride the bus and abstaining (boycotting) conduct which might require transport to prison or jail.
4. To fulfill my obligation to serve, as a condition of participation in the boycott, I am willing to constructively volunteer my time in at least eight hours of community service to help avoid reckless behavior.
5. On my own time or with other participants of the boycott, I agree to fully complete my PEN OR PENCIL Activity booklet by the end of the 40 days. (*booklets will be provided by sponsoring organization*).
6. I agree to complete multiple written assessments both before and after participating in this project to help determine what I have learned and gained.
7. Prior to the end of the boycott, I agree to read their rights to at least five people, a minimum of three of which must be an adult.
8. I will not allow my actions to compromise the integrity of my organization or school's boycott.
9. Prior to the end of the school academic year, I will read "Silver Rights" and "The Road That Led To Somewhere" in their entirety. (*resources will be made available for students to borrow*).
10. I fully realize that by participating in this initiative, I will, without regard to race, gender, age, grade point average, or other distinctions, make history as one among the first to boycott this adverse behavior at my school.
11. Additionally, I agree to attend leadership development and group mentoring sessions included in the Youth Voices and Vision schedule of events. These sessions may be held during the academic school day as well as on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month beginning on Saturday, January 19, 2008.

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Name of Student

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Date Signed