



DIOCESE OF
CORPUS CHRISTI

Youth Volunteer Application and Parent Consent

Print or Type Only

All Youth volunteers ages of 14 to 17 shall complete a Youth Volunteer Application and Parent Consent form, and receive and sign a Code of Conduct, provided within a Safe Environment training for youth volunteers.

****All sections of this form must be completed in order to be processed. Use legal name on ID or DL (as applicable).***

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Suffix
Alias/Nickname			Gender M F
Street Address			
City		State	Zip
Grade	Date of Birth	Driver's License or ID#	DL or ID State
Parent/Guardian First Name		Parent/Guardian Last Name	Parent Guardian Phone
Parent Guardian Address		City	State Zip
Emergency Contact First Name		Emergency Contact Last Name	Emergency Phone
Emergency Contact Address		City	State Zip

Permission and Release, Waiver and Indemnity Agreement

I authorize the Diocese of Corpus Christi ("Diocese") to allow me above named person (listed under "Volunteer's First & Last Name" above and referred to herein as "Volunteer") to participate in the activities of the Diocese. In such regard, in addition to signing and providing this permission agreement, I hereby indemnify the Diocese and each of their agents and employees from all liabilities, damages and any claims made by the above-named Volunteer or on his or her behalf, including medical expenses incurred, should injury, loss of property, damages or death occur as a result of his or her participation in Diocesan programs and activities.

FURTHER IN SUCH REGARD THE UNDERSIGNED:

1. HEREBY, RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE the Diocese, each of their directors, officers, employees and agents (hereinafter referred to as the "Indemnitees") from all liability to the Volunteer and the undersigned and their personal representatives, assigns, heirs and next of kin, for any loss or damage and any claims or demands therefrom on account of injury to the above named Volunteer or his or her property or resulting in the death of the above named Volunteer, whether caused by the negligence of the indemnitees, or otherwise, while such Volunteer is in, upon or about the premises or any facilities or equipment of the Diocese, or participating in any program affiliated with the Diocese; and,
2. INDEMNIFY, SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS the Diocese from any loss, liability, damage or cost that either may incur due to the presence of the undersigned in, upon or about the premises of the Diocese or in any way using any facilities or equipment of the Diocese or participating in any program affiliated with the Diocese, whether caused by the negligence of the Indemnitees or otherwise; and,
3. THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY PERMITS THE DIOCESE, and media outlets to make and use photographic likeness of the Volunteer, in a still or video commercial, to be exhibited by television broadcasting and/or the internet at the said media outlets. The material will be used for news and/or Diocesan purposes. It will also be utilized in Diocesan print materials and any forms of media release and/or video produced to help the Diocese.

THE UNDERSIGNED further expressly agree(s) that the forgoing RELEASE, WAIVER AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the laws of the State of Texas and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect. THE UNDERSIGNED HAS (HAVE) READ AND VOLUNTARILY SIGN(S) THE RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT and further agree(s) that no oral representations, statements or inducement, apart from the foregoing written agreement, have been made.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____



Code of Conduct for Youth Volunteers

A youth volunteer will know from the start of their service, who their trusted adult supervisor, or leader is to report a problem or concern. From the manner in which you dress, to how you interact with your peers and those you assist, from the respect you show to adults, and what you put out in social media, you are now to be held at a higher standard. Once you become a leader in our church community, you must be vigilant and thoughtful of how you present yourself in every way. We are proud of our young stewards!

- Children and vulnerable adults depend on the community to help keep them protected and safe. As a youth volunteer, I have a role and responsibility in promoting a healthy and safe environment for children and adults who may not be able to protect themselves, as well as for my peers and the adults in our community.
- I pledge to witness in word and example my discipleship in Jesus and model a life consistent with the teachings of the Catholic Church, promoted through my own choices and behaviors.
- I understand that I am looked at as a role model for those I serve, and as a representative of the Diocese of Corpus Christi.
- Most importantly, I understand the importance of telling an adult if I have reasonable belief another youth has been harmed, or is in danger of being harmed in any way.
- I understand that leaving the grounds of an overnight retreat or other youth event becomes a potential safety issue for all involved. My parent will be contacted and my volunteer capabilities will be revoked.
- I understand that minors are unable to transport other minors for parish or school functions on behalf of the diocese.
- Cell phone usage should be limited to communicating with my parents only if needed. Cell phone usage for the sharing of inappropriate material or material outside my ministerial role may warrant parents to be contacted and removal of my privilege to volunteer.
- I will not take, post or exchange pictures of the children, youth or others with whom I volunteer with respect to their privacy and in respecting the work of the Church.

I pledge to adhere to this Code of Conduct, and I understand that any action inconsistent with this Code, or the failure to take action as outlined in this Code of Conduct may result in my removal as a youth volunteer. I understand that it is a privilege to work with young people, not a right.

Name: _____

Parish: _____ Primary ministry: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____