



Diocese of Corpus Christi

Youth Application and Parent Consent For Ministry and Volunteer Service

(For Volunteers ages 14 through 17 years)

"I will serve as a model to those younger than me, and to those in need of my time and care."

All persons 14 through 17 years of age, who have assigned duties in which they may have contact with minors must have a completed Youth Application and Parent Consent form, a signed Code of Conduct for Youth, and current certification in Diocesan Safe Environment training.

Applicant

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle Initial _____
Date of Birth _____ SSN _____ Home Phone _____ TDL# _____
Home Address _____
Parish/School or Ministry _____ Position desired _____
Parent/Guardian Name _____ Address _____ Phone _____
Emergency Contact _____ Address _____ Phone _____

Have you ever been charged with an offense against a person? Yes___ No___

Have you ever been arrested or detained by law enforcement? Yes___ No___

Have you ever been involved in a court case as a defendant? Yes___ No___

Comments: _____

APPLICANT SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Parent

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ALL INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THIS APPLICATION AND CONSENT FORM IS TRUE AND I CONSENT TO THE PARTICIPATION OF MY CHILD _____ AS A VOLUNTEER.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Parish/School/Ministry (this section should be completed by the parish or school location)

AS PASTOR/ADMINISTRATOR/DIRECTOR OF _____, I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT A TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC RECORDS SEX OFFENDER DATABASE (<https://records.txdps.state.tx.us>) SEARCH HAS BEEN CONDUCTED FOR _____. BASED ON ALL THE ABOVE INFORMATION, I ACCEPT ___ REJECT ___ THIS APPLICANT FOR MINISTRY.

PASTOR/ADMINISTRATOR SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Parish/School – if you should have questions on how to conduct this search, please contact The Office for Safe Environment at 361/882-6191.



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YOUTH CODE OF CONDUCT

A youth volunteer will know from the start of their service, who their trusted adult supervisor, organizer or leader is to which he/she will turn to, to report a problem or concern. From the manner in which you dress, to how you interact with your peers and those you assist in serving, from the respect you show to adults, 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!

As a Youth Volunteer I Understand That:

- 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 vulnerable adults, 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, promoting through my own choices and behaviors, a way to love God and neighbor as self.
- I understand that my parent/guardian and I will fill out a Youth Application and Parent Consent Form. Once I turn 18 years old, I will be directed to fill out an Application for Ministry and Volunteer Service.
- I understand that minors are unable to transport other minors for parish or school functions on behalf of the diocese.
- I understand that I am looked at as a role model for those I serve, and 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 pledge to adhere to this Code of Conduct and I understand that any action inconsistent with this Code or 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 and vulnerable adults, not a right.

Name of Youth Volunteer: _____ Date: _____

Parish/School/Other: _____

What group or ministry are you assisting with?: _____

Signature: _____