

2015-2016 St. Gall Faith Formation and Youth Ministry Master Liability Waiver

A separate Permission Form is needed for each event not on St. Gall Church premises. All volunteers need to complete the Protecting God's Children program and submit a Driver Form.

STUDENT'S NAME: _____ Birth Date _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S NAME: _____ Grade Level 15/16 _____ Adult T-Shirt Size _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

HOME TELEPHONE: _____ STUDENT CELL PHONE: _____

A) PARENT/GUARDIAN EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

NAME: _____ RELATIONSHIP: _____ HOME PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

B) IF "A" UNAVAILABLE, ALTERNATE EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

NAME: _____ RELATIONSHIP: _____ HOME PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

Nature of the Faith Formation and Youth Ministry Events:

Faith Formation and Youth Ministry events for the year are sponsored by **St. Gall Catholic Church and/or other Catholic Churches** (Sponsor). St. Gall Catholic Church is located in the Diocese of Rockford (Diocese). By signing this waiver, you agree that you may be giving up legal rights and remedies available to yourself and your family. Read and complete this waiver carefully. If you have questions, contact an attorney.

I understand that the nature of Youth Ministry events are both social and spiritual in nature and are for high school and middle school teens. Youth Ministry events will take place at a variety of locations throughout the year, including **but not limited to** St. Gall Catholic Church, St. Patrick Catholic Church and School, St. Peter Catholic Church, St. Thomas More Church, Our Lady of Victory Parish, Lararus House, Hessed House, the Northern Illinois Food Bank, Feed My Starving Children, Fox Paintball, St. Charles Bowl and Dickson Valley Camp. There will also be a variety of road trips and events that may require an additional permission and/or liability form.

Nature of Risks: I understand that voluntarily traveling to and attending the various Youth Ministry events may involve certain risks beyond the reasonable control of the SPONSOR, its staff, directors, volunteers and agents in connection with the various Youth Ministry events, et al., and the Dioceses and all parishes participating in it, and their respective officers, directors, volunteers and agents, and chaperons or representatives associated with the event ("Diocese et al."), including but not limited to accidents, emergencies, exposure to reckless conduct of other persons, and/or negligence of and that Retreat Centers, et al., Sponsor et al., and the Diocese et al. disclaim any and all responsibility for any such risks. If at any time during the various Faith Formation and Youth Ministry events, attendees attempt to leave the event, they do so without the permission of the Sponsor, et al and the Diocese et al, and will be subject to dismissal from participation in the event.

Waiver of Liability/Hold Harmless: By signing this liability waiver, I agree and acknowledge that I may be giving up important legal rights and remedies available to myself, my family, my heirs, successors, and assigns. For value received, I agree on behalf of myself, my child's other parent if known or living, my child named herein, and our heirs, successors, and assigns ("Our Behalf") that I assume all risks and waive any liability of any nature whatsoever against and agree to hold harmless Retreat Center, et al., Sponsor, et al., and the Diocese et al. with respect to any and all actions, claims or demands that may be made or brought on our Behalf against Retreat Center, et al., Sponsor, et al., and/or the Diocese et al. arising out of or in connection with my child's travel to or attendance at the camp, or any other activity my child may engage in while in transport there. Further, for value received, for any injury to third parties that may arise because of my child's actions or omissions, I agree to hold harmless and defend Retreat Center, et al., Sponsor, et al. and the Diocese et al. with respect to any and all actions, claims, expenses or demands arising there that may be made or brought against Retreat Center, et al., Sponsor, et al. and/or the Diocese et al., including but not limited to reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses arising in connection therewith.

Media Waiver: We consent to the use by Retreat Center, et al, and Sponsor, et al any videotape, photograph, slide, audiotape, or any other visual or audio reproduction in which my child may appear. I understand that these materials are being used for the promotion of various Faith Formation and Youth Ministry programs/events by and for the Sponsor, et al. Such promotional activities extend to recruitment, fund-raising, advocacy, etc. I release the staff, volunteers, etc. of the Sponsor et al., and Diocese et al., from any liability connected with the use of my or my child's picture or voice recording as part of any of the above or similar activities.

Medical Permissions (Limited): As a condition attending the various events, I grant permission in the event of an emergency or accident for emergency medical care to be administered to my child within the Facility and/or during or after transportation to a hospital or doctor for emergency medical care. I further understand that it is not the responsibility of Sponsor, et al., Diocese et al., to attempt to reach my child's emergency contacts and that I remain responsible for my child's medical expenses.

Medical Information

Pertinent information about allergies or health problems, present medication and dosage which your child may be taking and any other information that will enable the adult leaders to obtain safe medical treatment for your teen, must be included on the attached separately. **This form and attachments will be kept on file. New forms must be completed when entering 6th grade or 9th grade. Please notify us of any changes in medication and provide adequate explanation. Make an appointment with the DRE/YM to discuss any concerns.**

Insurance Information – Policy in the name of: _____ Employer _____

Insurance Company Name/Policy Number: _____

I fully understand the consequences of and sign this LIABILITY WAIVER AND PERMISSION knowingly, freely, and willingly. I also agree to notify the Youth Ministry Office of any contact, insurance or medical changes as they occur.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

Signature of Youth

Date

STUDENT MEDICATION FORM: **Student Name:** _____

- Does not take any medication Takes medications listed below
- I give permission for an adult in charge to give my child Advil or Tylenol (or their equivalent)

MEDICATION	DOSAGE	FREQUENCY	TIME OF DAY TAKEN

If your child needs to have an adult administer his/her medication please indicate authorized person: _____

Allergies: Yes / No If yes, please list. (Medicine, Food, Seasonal or Other) _____

FAITH FORMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY Code of Conduct/Dress Code

Faith Formation and Youth Ministry participants agree to the following:

- Project an image of Christian consideration, sensitivity, and respect to everyone and to the property around them through language, dress, and behavior
- Refrain from inappropriate touching, conversations and verbal harassment
- Respect other persons and/or property
- Refrain from actions that could result in injury and/or damage to property
- Adhere to stated curfew and rules
- Attend all scheduled activities, arriving promptly, and staying for the entire event
- Report problems of any kind to a trusted adult member of the retreat team
- Travel in groups of three, avoiding situations where they are alone with Catechists, Youth Ministers and adults
- Always tell an adult leader where they are going to if they leave the main event area

Faith Formation and Youth Ministry participants agree to not:

- Possess weapons or fireworks of any kind
- Purchase, possess, consume, or distribute alcohol
- Purchase, possess, consume, or distribute illegal drugs or tobacco products
- Engage in any form of sexual activity or Youth sexual harassment
- Use profanity, degrading language of any kind
- Visit or gather in sleeping areas of the opposite gender

Dress Code:

In keeping with the nature of Faith Formation, Youth Ministry and all Church events, all participants are to dress in a modest fashion. Our Modesty Policy will be strictly enforced and includes the following:

- Shorts and Skirts will **not be more than 5" above the knee** when standing.
- No yoga pants or skin tight leggings, jeggings, etc. – No spandex "volleyball or running type" shorts.
- No sleeveless, cut off or midriff tops are allowed. All tops will have sleeves and either crew or polo styles. No strap tops allowed. No scoop or low-cut neck styles allowed. Shirts and Blouses must be worn in an appropriate manner.
- Undergarments must not be visible at any time.
- No offensive or inappropriate language on clothing, no language or symbols of any kind on rear of shorts, pants, etc.

Parent/Guardian:

I agree to instruct my child to abide by all rules and regulations as outlined in the Participant Code of Conduct and Dress Code as outline above. I agree that if my child fails to abide in any way by the Code, that my child can be dismissed from a Youth Ministry event and sent home immediately at my expense for the immediate transportation home with no right of reimbursement or refund for any amount in connection therewith from the Sponsor et. al., Diocese et al.

Initials of Parent/Guardian: _____

Youth: As a participant in St. Gall Faith Formation classes, including Youth Ministry and parish events, I understand and agree to conform to both the Participant Code of Conduct and Dress Code. **I agree to change my clothing if it does not conform to the dress code.** I also understand and agree that my parent/guardian will be notified at the time of any infractions requiring my dismissal from the class, retreats or other parish events and that I will be sent home at my parent's/guardian's expense. Among other things, being found with any alcoholic beverages, drugs, tobacco or weapons is cause for automatic dismissal from and Faith Formation or Youth Ministry including class and events.

Youth Participants Initials: _____

For Office Use: _____ 15/16 _____ 16/17 _____ 17/18 _____ 18/19