

**GRADES 4 - 6
CODE OF CONDUCT
FOR PARISH-, SCHOOL-, & DIOCESAN-SPONSORED ACTIVITIES WITH YOUTH**

The Offices of Catholic Schools, Faith Formation and Youth Ministry provide opportunities that allow young people from all over the Diocese of Owensboro to be educated, grow in their faith, have a fun time, and form Christian friendships. All that we do stems from our belief in Jesus Christ and the following of his teachings. Therefore, we have certain expectations of the children, youth, and adults who participate. To ensure a safe and enjoyable time for everyone, the following policies are in effect for all parish, school, and diocesan-sponsored activities with youth. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to explain this Code of Conduct to their child.

I will treat everyone kindly and not harm them in any way either by words or actions.

I will take only what is given to me and not take anything which belongs to others without permission.

I will not be selfish. I promise to treat other boys and girls as if they were my brothers or sisters or best friends.

I will speak truthfully, kindly and gently and not tell lies or say hurtful things to anybody or about anybody.

I will take care of my body and not use alcohol or drugs. I will not possess, use or threaten use of any object to injure another person. (e.g. knives, guns, weapons) The Diocese has in place Search & Seizure Policies (available upon request-policy 200:9).

I will follow the instructions of my adult supervisors to the best of my ability.

I will follow established rules of my school/parish and take responsibility for my own actions.

If I become aware of any violation of this Code of Conduct by a peer, it is my responsibility to notify my supervising adult as soon as possible.

YOUTH PARTICIPANT/STUDENT: _____
Print Name

I understand that any action inconsistent with this Code of Conduct may result in appropriate disciplinary action.

X _____
Signature of Participant/Student Date

X _____
Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

The Diocesan Policy states, "at least two supervising adults should be present when there is only one minor, and at least two participants should be present when there is only one supervisory adult." Please explain this to the child. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to see that children arrive and are picked up at designated times to avoid violation of the above mentioned policy.

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--For school events if the teacher, staff contact, or an adult supervisor is in attendance, that person should keep this form. If youth are not accompanied by school representative, then forms should be forwarded to appropriate school office PRIOR to event.