

## PERMISSION SLIP

1. Consent: I grant my permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ to attend and participate in Middle School Youth Group (hereinafter referred to as "Activity") to be held at Newman Catholic StudentCenter From January, 2024 through August, 2024
2. Student Cooperation: My child agrees to abide by all the rules of aforementioned Activity and to obey the staff in charge of this Activity. The Parish, School, and Diocese will not be liable for my child's failure to cooperate and/or to abide by the rules. Any infraction of the rules may result in the immediate dismissal of my child from the Activity at my expense and without refund to me of the costs paid for the Activity.
3. First-Aid/Emergency Treatment: I authorize the School, Parish, and Diocese and its employees and volunteers to administer first-aid to my child if deemed necessary and appropriate to preserve the life, limb or well-being of my child. I authorize the Parish, School, and Diocese to contact and engage medical personnel and arrange for emergency treatment of my child, including transportation for medical, dental, surgical or hospital care or diagnosis, and I consent to that treatment for my child. I agree that I am financially responsible for such medical treatment.
4. Administration of Medication provided by parent/guardian of child: If my child needs to take prescription or non-prescription medication during this Activity, I have provided the medication in its original container. I give permission to an adult employee or adult volunteer to administer the medication or assist in the administration of the medication to my child in the dosage prescribed by the prescription or, for non-prescription medication, the dosage recommended on the container by the manufacturer. If there are explicit instructions for this medication, I state them here: .
5. Release: I hereby release and discharge The Diocese of Rockford and its Bishop, and the Parish and School, and the officers, directors, employees, and volunteers of same, from all claims for personal injuries or property damage that I or my child may suffer while my child is attending and/or participating in the Activity, unless the injuries or damage resulted from willful misconduct of the Diocese, the Parish, the School or its employees. If I have provided medication for my child to take during this Activity, I hereby release and discharge The Diocese of Rockford and its Bishop, and the Parish and School, and the officers, directors, employees, and volunteers of same, from all claims for personal injuries or property damage that I or my child may suffer as a result of the administration of or lack of administration of or assistance in or lack of assistance in the administration of said medication to my child, whether by my child and/or an adult employee and/or an adult volunteer; unless the injuries or damage resulted from willful misconduct of the Diocese, the Parish, the School or its employees.

Date:

Parent/Guardian's Signature:

Name:

[PLEASE PRINT]

## STUDENT OR YOUTH EMERGENCY INFORMATION

PARISH/SCHOOL/DIOCESAN ENTITY: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_

FAMILY NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Only ONE EMERGENCY INFORMATION form per family unit is necessary.

Full Name of Child	Sex	Date of Birth	Special Health Condition (describe) or Medication prescribed or Dietary needs, etc.

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Mother/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's work number: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Father/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's work number: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

If divorced, name of legal custodial parent: \_\_\_\_\_ Do Mother and Father have Joint Custody? (Y/N)

If custodial parent cannot be reached, may we contact non-custodial parent? (Y/N)

RESPONSIBLE ADULT(s) who have agreed to assume responsibility for child, if parent/guardian cannot be reached.

Name	Address	Phone	Relationship to Child

Physician of Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Hospital of Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Policy Holder: \_\_\_\_\_

Policy #: \_\_\_\_\_

If I, or responsible adult, and physician of choice, as indicated above, cannot be reached in an emergency and immediate medical and/or hospital attention is indicated I hereby authorize the transporting of my child to a hospital or physician for treatment.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Media Release:**

**By signing below you grant the Parish and/or Diocese of Rockford permission to use your child's image and likeness in photographs and to be published on our website, in our bulletin, and in our local/diocesan newspaper including their name. If you do not grant permission, you must submit a written letter stating otherwise.**

**I have read this statement.\* Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_**

### **DIOCESE OF ROCKFORD BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS OF YOUTH PARTICIPANTS**

Participant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Youth participants are expected to follow these expectations at all times during activities held on-site at Christ the Teacher/Newman Catholic Student Center and all off-site activities for which a permission form has been signed.

**1. Youth participants will:**

- Project an image of Christian consideration, sensitivity, and respect to everyone
- Use Christian consideration, sensitivity, and respect when using electronic devices
- Follow Adult Leaders' rules related to electronic devices
- Project an image of Christian etiquette in their use of language, dress, and behavior
- Refrain from inappropriate touching and verbal harassment
- Respect other persons and/or property, and keep their personal belongings of value with them at all times
- Refrain from actions that could result in injury and/or damage to property
- Follow the stated curfew
- Wear appropriate credentials in order to gain and maintain access to youth activities
- Use courteous and appropriate noise levels in lobbies, hallways, and sleeping areas, especially later in the evenings
- Maintain the spirit of the activity
- Report problems of **any kind** to your Adult Leader, or trusted adult

**2. Youth participants will not:**

- Possess weapons, look-alike weapons, or explosive materials of any kind
- Purchase, possess, distribute, sell, receive, or use tobacco products of any kind, alcohol, illegal drugs, vaping material, e-cigarettes or marijuana
- Engage in any form of sexual activity or sexual harassment
- Purchase, download, possess, distribute or view pornography
- Visit or gather in hotel rooms with the opposite gender
- Engage in any form of body piercing or tattooing
- Take inappropriate photos, or post to social media or distribute through any digital or electronic means inappropriate photos or content
- Make statements of a sexual nature, or threatening nature, or use foul language

**3. Appropriate behaviors at youth activities:**

- Side hugs
- Shoulder to shoulder or "temple" hugs
- Handshakes
- "High-fives," hand slapping, and fist bumps
- Verbal praise for a job well-done (not regarding physical attributes)
- Touching hands, faces (usually in context of a blessing), shoulders, and arms of minors
- Arms around shoulders
- Holding hands while walking with younger minors
- Sitting beside younger minors
- Holding hands during prayer
- Pats on the head when culturally appropriate.

**4. Inappropriate behaviors at youth activities:**

- Inappropriate or lengthy embraces and kisses on the mouth
- Touching private areas of the body
- Going to an isolated area away from the group, or being taken to an isolated area by an adult or peer
- Showing affection in isolated areas of a facility such as sleeping rooms, bathrooms, closets, staff-only areas, other private rooms, or without others present
- Sitting on another person's lap
- Holding children on the lap who are capable of sitting on their own
- Wrestling or tickling with another individual
- Piggyback rides
- Shoulder/back massages
- Any form of unwanted affection or peer sexual harassment
- Compliments or put downs that relate to physique or body development
- Inappropriate sexual statements
- Inappropriate horseplay
- Hiding items belonging to another person
- Minors and young adults are expected to exercise modesty of their body at all times.

Conduct of a sexual nature, even if it is of a joking nature or is horseplay, is STRICTLY PROHIBITED. A minor or young adult who has been reported to have engaged in conduct of a sexual nature, whether physically, verbally, and/or through electronic or digital means, shall be dismissed from the activity, regardless of whether the intention was horseplay or joking. Law enforcement will be contacted when required by law. These types of conduct can result in serious legal consequences. Youth must think before acting.

**5. The following personal safety measures should also be remembered and followed:**

- Always carry photographic identification with you (driver's license, school ID) if you have one.
- Always travel in a group, with chaperones knowing every youth's location at all times.
- Always look for and use designated crosswalks and pedestrian bridges.
- Sleeping room doors should be locked at all times. Youth shall not open doors unless they can verify who is knocking and what the person's credentials are.
- Sleeping room numbers and telephone numbers should not be given to strangers or distributed publicly.
- Follow fire safety procedures and emergency exit procedures.
- Do not make jokes or threats about weapons, bombs, terrorists, or other dangerous acts.
- Report all safety or security concerns or threats to your Adult Leader.

I have read and shared this information with my child, \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Name of Student)

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# Middle School Youth Group Rules

Christ the Teacher University Parish - Newman Catholic Student Center @ NIU

- No swearing or taking God's name in vain
- Kind speech only, no gossiping
- Reflecting the light of Christ to others at youth group - being kind and inclusive; non-isolating
- Respectful of, and toward everyone present
- Behaving in a manner that is mindful of the planned activity(ies) and nondisruptive
- Unsupervised activities are prohibited in the Ahles and Knox rooms
- When youth group ends each youth member must be picked up by a parent or responsible driver

Holding youth group and other youth activities is a privilege and responsibility so these rules have been set in place to ensure a safe and fun environment is upheld so that we can continue to offer this time and space to our youth.

If a youth member cannot respect these rules, a parent will be contacted and they will be asked to leave the activity and try again the following event. If there is continued disregard to the set rules, the parents will be contacted and a meeting will be scheduled to discuss the behavior before the youth member is allowed to return to scheduled youth activities.

God bless!

Parent signature:

Youth signature:

Parent phone #:

Parent email address: