



St. Bernardine of Siena Youth Ministry

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Youth Behavior Guidelines

The following behavior guidelines are to be always observed by participants.

THERE WILL BE RESPECT FOR ALL PROPERTY

Property of St. Bernardine Parish, School, and surrounding areas, and the property of outing destinations and vehicles used for transportation shall not be damaged, taken, marked, or vandalized in any way. Personal property shall not be used without permission or damaged in any way.

THERE WILL BE CONCERN FOR SAFETY AND RESPECT FOR THE LAW

Participants are to cooperate with, and conform to, the directions and instructions of St. Bernardine Parish staff and volunteers, law enforcement, and the staff and officials of events, outing locations, bus companies, etc. There shall be no drugs, alcohol, vaping, or tobacco products in any participant's possession. There shall be no weapons or fire starters of any kind in any participant's possession. Physically, verbally, or emotionally abusive behavior towards others will not be tolerated. Foul language and dirty jokes are unacceptable. Fighting of any kind will not be tolerated. As disciples of Jesus Christ, we are always expected to treat others with loving respect.

THERE WILL BE RESPECT, COOPERATION, AND APPROPRIATE PARTICIPATION

Everyone will get the most out of our time together if we all respect one another and participate fully, actively, consciously, and conscientiously. Unnecessary talking during times of prayer, sharing, and/or reflection is unacceptable. **Electronic and communication devices are to be turned off and turned in to the group leader at the start of each session.** The device will be returned to the youth at the end of each session.

APPROPRIATE ATTIRE WILL BE WORN AT ALL TIMES

Participants are given a "Youth Ministry Shirt" to be worn **at all times** when attending **any** Youth Ministry event or meeting. The shirt is not to be modified in any way. If a participant is not wearing the appropriate shirt, the first time they will be given a shirt to wear for the session. On the second occasion, the person will be charged \$10 and issued another Youth Ministry shirt. Any attire or exposure that is deemed indecent or inappropriate by staff and/or volunteers will not be tolerated, including, but not limited to: No tank tops, exposed underwear (including bra straps), exposed cleavage, bare midriffs, strapless tops, short shorts/skirts/ dresses (**shorts, skirts, and dresses must be at least mid-thigh length**).

Some possible responses to violations of these guidelines include parent(s)/guardian(s) being required to make arrangements for a participant's transportation home early, the confiscation of items in a participant's possession, a meeting with the participant's parent(s)/guardian(s) being required before the participant's return to programming, the contacting of local law enforcement, etc. Serious or repetitive infractions may result in the suspension or expulsion of a participant from future programming.

**PLEASE KEEP THIS CONTRACT FOR YOUR REFERENCE COMPLETE AND RETURN
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We, the undersigned, understand and accept the rules and consequences of
St. Bernardine of Siena Youth Ministry's *Youth Behavior Guidelines*.

Parent/Guardian's Name (please print): _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Participant' Name (please print): _____

Participant's Signature: _____

Date: _____