

St. Bernadette Religious Education/Youth Ministry Expectation Form

Expectations of Participants

Each participant should adhere to the following principles while participating any Religious Education Retreats/Events/ or any Youth Ministry Retreats/Events:

Show love and respect for God:

1. Pray daily for self and others.
2. Receive the sacraments when available
3. Participate in activities.
4. Be open, flexible and have a servant's attitude.
5. Represent God in your words and actions.

Show love and respect for self:

1. This is a 'no smoking' weekend. No alcohol or illegal substances allowed. Any person caught with these things will be asked to leave. Parents will be called. Parents/guardians are responsible for ensuring that students are not in possession of illegal substances before departing on religious education/retreat/youth ministry event. _____ *Parent/Guardian initial here*
2. Being under the influence of illegal drugs, alcoholic beverages, and/or mood altering substances, and/or being in possession of drugs etc. (with the exception of approved prescription and non-prescription drugs), alcohol or tobacco products by any youth participant is forbidden and may result in disciplinary action. This may include dismissal from the parish Youth Ministry Program/Religious Education activity, even for a first offense. The decision as to the most appropriate consequence should be made in consultation with the pastor and should take into consideration the pastoral needs of the situation.
3. It is preferable that all prescription medications be administered by a parent/legal guardian of the youth participant. Medications may only be dispensed by the Youth Ministry Team Leader or authorized adult in accordance with the written instructions provided by the parent/legal guardian.
4. Dress with modesty.
5. Cooperate with sleeping times and make sure you eat at meal times.
6. Remember that you are the Temple of the Holy Spirit. Present yourself accordingly.
7. Any music you bring should glorify God.
8. If you must leave an activity an adult should accompany you.

Show love and respect for others:

1. Be safe. No horseplay or other potentially harmful actions. No pocketknives, lighters or other hazardous materials or weapons of any kind etc.
2. All words and actions you use should build up others and not injure.
3. All cell phones should be off during the retreat times. Leaders may collect them during presentations.
4. The facility should remain clean and undamaged. Otherwise you will be held personally responsible to pay for any damage that occurs in your room. Do not bring food into the rooms and pick up and dispose of trash if you see it.
5. No outside visitors during the retreat or event.
6. Make sure your actions during the activities do not distract others from hearing, seeing or praying.
7. Allow others to sleep. "Lights out" means that it is time to go to sleep. Do not be in the showers or halls after "Lights out".

I have read, understand and agree to all of the above principles.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____