

**59th Diocese of Ottawa, Eastern Canada and Upstate New York
Parish Life Conference**



Hosted By Ss Peter & Paul Orthodox Church
June 28-July 1st, 2012

Teens Code of Conduct Form

Teen Name: _____
Hotel Name: _____ Hotel Room No.: _____
Birth Date: ____/____/____ Age at start of the Conference: _____
Parish and City: _____

1. Conference attendees are expected to participate in all services and scheduled activities. Teens are expected to behave in a manner consistent with Orthodox Christian principles, in a manner considerate and respectful of each other, those with whom they come in contact, other hotel guests and themselves.
2. Underage drinking or illegal drug use is strictly forbidden. Regardless of the local legal drinking age, alcohol will not be served to any one under the age of 21. Persons caught supplying drugs or alcohol to an underage drinker will be asked to leave the Conference immediately, as will the underage person who accepts and/or uses such substances.
3. Adults may not aid or abet underage drinking. It is suggested that adults not drink alcohol in front of teens outside of Conference social events.
4. Anyone under eighteen (18) years of age must have a responsible adult chaperone in attendance at the Conference. The responsible adult must be at least 25 years of age, or the teen's local parish youth director, as designated by the local pastor. The chaperone must sign the Parental Consent Form along with the teen, in the presence of the Conference Registration, prior to the teen's registering for the Conference. Each adult chaperone may be responsible for no more than seven teens. A copy of the Parent Consent Form shall be kept on file by the registration committee the Archdiocese Department of Youth Chair, and Diocese Teen SOYO Spiritual Advisor having access to the files as necessary. Underage persons arriving without a chaperone will not be allowed to register for the Conference or receive the Conference group rate.
5. Curfew will be 1:00 AM, after which time all teens must be either in their rooms, with their parents, or with a chaperone at an official event. Violators will be asked to leave.
6. Teen advisors, in consultation with their pastor, may ask unruly teens from their parish to leave the Conference hotel. The Archdiocese Department of Youth Chair and the Diocese Teen SOYO Spiritual Advisor, in consultation with the Conference host pastor and the teen's parent or guardian, may send home any teen deemed a "problem" to the Conference. The Diocese Teen SOYO Spiritual Advisor and/or the host pastor will contact the teen's parent or guardian to make travel arrangements home at the family's expense. Hotel management will work closely with the host Parish to guarantee compliance.

7. Teens should dress in modest, clean clothes for divine services. It is *suggested* that shorts, tightly fitting clothing, tube or tank tops, short skirts/dresses, low cut tops/dresses, T-shirts with logos, writing, etc. are not appropriate attire for the Divine Services.
8. The purpose of the Conference is to bear witness to Christ and to uplift one another in the faith. The above rules will be strictly adhered to and there will be no appeal for appropriate decisions made in compliance with the above rules. Please direct any questions regarding the above rules to either the Archdiocese Department of Youth Chair or Diocese Teen SOYO Spiritual Advisor before arriving for the Conference.
9. The Parent/Guardian will be responsible for any damages caused by any minor(s) under their charge, while staying at the hotel at the Conference; in the event the hotel expects reimbursement for said damages

I _____ have read the above Teen Code of Conduct and I
Teen Name

agree to abide by them during my stay at the Conference. I further understand that my parents or chaperone will be called upon, in the event that there is a problem involving me, and that they will be expected to assist the Conference in this matter.

Teen Signature

Date

Chaperone/Parent Name