

**GRADES K-2 CODE OF CONDUCT
FOR PARISH-, SCHOOL-, & DIOCESAN-SPONSORED ACTIVITIES WITH YOUTH**

The Offices of Catholic Schools, Faith Formation and Youth Ministry provide opportunities for young people from all over the Diocese of Owensboro to encounter and follow Jesus Christ, building a community of faith that empowers them to go forth as missionary disciples. With these goals in mind, we have certain expectations of the children, youth, and adults who participate. Young people participating in the Church’s youth activities are under the care of supervisory adults, who are responsible for knowing and following diocesan policy.

It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to explain this Code of Conduct to their child.

1. I will obey school/parish rules and respect the adults who watch over me.
2. I will be kind and say nice things to others.
3. I will keep my hands to myself except when helping others.
4. I will take turns and include others.
5. I will not hurt or say I’m going to hurt another person or myself.
6. I will tell an adult in charge when someone is being hurt or there is an emergency.
7. I will respect other people’s things. I will not take anything which belongs to others without permission. If something is broken, I will tell one of the adults who watches over me.
8. I will be a good listener and not interrupt.
9. I will only use cell phones or other electronic devices if one of the adults watching over me says it is allowed.
10. The Diocese has in place a Search & Seizure Policy (available on request and on diocesan website).

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 / Legal Guardian Date

Notes:

1. By signing this, I acknowledge that photographs/videos of my child may be used for the purpose of publication. If I do not want my child photographed for such purpose, I am responsible for notifying the program organizer in writing.
2. Diocesan policy states that “no one should be left alone in a supervisory capacity. There should always be a minimum of two Safe Environment-cleared adults” present. Parent(s)/guardian(s) are to see that child arrives and is picked up at designated times to avoid violation of this policy.
3. It is highly suggested that parent(s)/guardian(s) talk with the child about the dangers of accepting unknown substances from others as it may be drugs or harmful substances.

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.