



Diocese of Worcester and New England Parish Life Conference

Hosted By St. Michael Church (Cotuit, MA)

Hotel 1620 Plymouth Harbor; June 21-23, 2024

Minor Participation Form

Use One Minor Per Form!

This Minor Participation form is required for all under the age of 18 attending the Diocese of Worcester and New England Parish Life Conference and must be signed by Parent/Guardian (regardless if they are in attendance), appointed Chaperone and Teen Attendee.

Child's Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ Age: _____ Hotel Room No.: _____

Parish and City: _____

Please select one item below

Parents/Guardian will be in attendance

Parents/Guardian will not be in attendance

Part 1: Parental Consent *To be completed by all*

I (parent or guardian) _____ give my permission for my above-named Child to attend the 2024 Diocese of Worcester and New England Parish Life Conference to be held at Hotel 1620 Plymouth Harbor hosted by St. Michael the Archangel Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cotuit, MA, June 21-23, 2024. In the event I am unable to attend the above Conference I give permission for the below-named person (s) to act as chaperone(s) to my minor child. The undersigned does hereby indemnify and hold harmless St. Michael the Archangel Antiochian Orthodox Church, and the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America, their members, agents, affiliates, parishioners, guarantors, employees, and/or any assigns thereof, for any and all liability, costs, expenses, incidents and/or occurrences resulting from the above-named child's/children's actions, and/or the proper lack thereof (as the case may be), while attending the 2024 Diocese of Worcester and New England Parish Life Conference, whether such liability, costs, expenses, incidents and/or occurrences happens to the above-named child/children and/or his/her invitees, or whether such liability, costs, expenses, incidents and/or occurrences happens either on or off the premises.

Parent/Guardian Name (print)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

(_____) _____
Home Phone

(_____) _____
Cell Phone

(_____) _____
Emergency Contact Phone

Part II: Appointed Chaperone *To be completed if parent/guardian not attending*

I (chaperone's name) _____, having been duly appointed by the above-named Parent/Guardian, take responsibility for the above-named child during his/her/their stay at the 2024 Diocese of Worcester and New England Parish Life Conference. I understand that it is my responsibility to see to it that the child/children for whom I am responsible act(s) appropriately during his/her/their stay at this Conference and, by signing below, I hereby accept such responsibility. I further understand that I will be called upon in the event that there is a problem involving this/these child/children and that I will be expected to assist the Conference in this matter.

Chaperone's Name (print)

Chaperone's Signature

Date

Room No.

(_____) _____
Chaperone's Cell Phone

Part III: Teen Consent *To be completed if Teen is attending.*

I have read the below *Teen Code of Conduct* and I 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 myself, and that they will be expected to assist the Conference in this matter.

Teen Name (print)

Teen Signature

Date

Cell Phone

Teen Code of Conduct

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, based on local/state/province ordinance. 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 or illegal drug use.
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 Minor Participation 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 Minor Participation Form shall be kept on file by the registration committee the Archdiocese Department of Youth Chair, and Diocese of Worcester and New England 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 12:00 (midnight) 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 of Worcester and New England 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 of Worcester and New England 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 and clean clothes for all 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 of Worcester and New England 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.