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FAQ'S - WHO CAN ATTEND?

What are the criteria for youth, group leader, and chaperones?

Youth: Participants in the conference must be entering 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grades in the fall of 2017 or have been a 2017 high school graduate. Youth must be accompanied by an adult chaperone(s). No individual youth registrations will be accepted.

Group Leader: The adult responsible for organizing your trip and serving as the main contact for your group. Email and oral correspondence takes place between the group leader and the Archdiocese of Denver. The group leader must be attending the conference and will be responsible for the entire group during the conference.

Trip Organizer: Some groups utilize a trip organizer, separate from the Group Leader who is handling all registration and paperwork, but not attending the conference. Written and oral correspondence will take place between the trip organizer and the Archdiocese of Denver pertaining to registration of the group. If your group utilizes a person separate from the on-site Group Leader to handle registration, please provide contact information for both the Group Leader and Trip Organizer at initial registration for all communications pertaining to the conference.

Adult Chaperone: Adult, age 21 +, attending to chaperone the youth. For the safety of the youth and to foster productive small group times, the ratio of adult to youth is 1 adult per 7 youth in your group. We ask that your group not exceed the maximum adult to youth ratio. This allows the maximum number of youth to attend this much sought after conference. This weekend is challenging physically and spiritually. It is a time of deep ministry and small group time. We recommend that chaperones feel comfortable directing, sharing with, and praying with youth. Chaperones must be available at all times for youth and should not be preoccupied with matters outside of the conference. All chaperones attending with your group must meet the training requirements for youth protection in your (arch)diocese.

Can seminarians or other religious attend with our group?

Seminarians, deacons and other religious are welcome to attend with your group, but they will need to pay the registration fee. They need not act as chaperones for your group. Only priests who assist with at least 2 sessions of Reconciliation may attend for free. Please inform us as soon as possible if you will have any seminarians or other religious attending with your group so that we can arrange for appropriate housing for them.

How many chaperones do we need to bring?

We require you to have one adult chaperone per seven teenagers. Also remember that if you are bringing male and female teens you **MUST** have a male and female chaperone.

I am a chaperone coming to the conference and want to bring my small children; can I do that?

Although we strongly support Catholic family life, our staffing, facility constraints, and insurance regulations do not allow us to provide childcare. Meeting rooms are not designed for the care of young children. In addition, the focus of the Adult Chaperones/Group Leader needs to be on the teen participants. If chaperones bring their own younger children, their focus will be split. With the best care of the youth in mind, please refrain from bringing non-participant children with you.

Who do I contact for more information?

Please call the Office of Evangelization and Family Life Ministries at the Archdiocese of Denver at 303-715-3252.