

**Archdiocese of Denver**  
**Steubenville of the Rockies**  
**Code of Conduct**

## **Please review with teens prior to conference.**

**In General:**

All members are expected to conduct themselves in the best possible manner throughout the entire weekend. Each member should strive to behave within the teaching of Christ and the Catholic Church. Each parish/group accepts full responsibility for any damage or theft caused by members of their group, thus group members must be in agreement of the expected behavior.

**Some Rules:**

The Crowne Plaza at DIA has graciously agreed to host the Steubenville of the Rockies Conference for many years now because of the high standard with which the participants of the retreat have behaved. Thus, there are some expectations with the attendance of this conference.

1. There will be around 2,500 people there, so please do not run in the hallways or inside of the conference space.
2. Please comply with all conference signs (i.e. signs that request silence in certain areas for Confessions/Adoration).
3. Vandalism of any kind (indoor water fights, purposeful spilling or throwing of foods/liquids, damaging any property belonging to the Crowne Plaza or any other hotel, etc.) will not be tolerated in any way.
4. Please pick up your trash.
5. This conference requires that men are never in women's rooms and vice versa. Teens may convene in the gathering areas of the hotel, if they have their chaperone's permission, but may not be in one another's rooms. Please remember to keep the noise levels down in the hotels, especially in the evening.
6. The weekend will be intense both emotionally and spiritually, so drink water and remain hydrated!
7. When you arrive, pay attention as your group leader explains to you where the First Aid booth is.
8. Please keep your nametags on at all times.
9. Never leave the conference premises (including the hotels) alone.
10. This weekend is for your spiritual growth! We ask that you unplug the TV, leave the tablet, laptop, or other electronics at home, turn your cell phone off, and let God work on you this weekend.
11. Please respect all people on the retreat. This means no physical, emotional, or verbal insults or abuse.

12. You must sit in the section mapped out specifically for your group during every session.
13. Do not stand on the chairs during the conference.
14. Please abide by the volunteers' wishes and directions; this includes special ministers, Safety team, and conference staff.
15. Follow the schedule of events. This means attending all sessions and only going to Confession or to the exhibit area during schedule times.
16. Smoking is only permitted in designated areas (and only if you are of age). All other substances (drugs and/or alcohol) are not permitted during the conference. Use of these substances is grounds for immediate dismissal from the conference.
17. No weapons of any kind may be possessed during the conference. Possession is grounds for immediate dismissal.

### **MODESTY POLICY - VERY IMPORTANT:**

The Steubenville of the Rockies conference has very specific guidelines regarding modest dress. We ask that you strictly adhere to these policies.

Please go over these with all participants, chaperones, and parents. These rules must be enforced by the adult leaders.

- Shorts, skirts, or dresses that are shorter than 5 inches above the knee while standing are prohibited.
- Rolling up of skirts or shorts at the leg or waistband is prohibited.
- Shirts that reveal midriff are not permitted, nor are shirts that are too low cut from the neck area.
- Shirts, shorts, or pants that are too tight, drawing attention to the shape of the body are not permitted.
- Pants or shorts are not allowed to sag to the point where they reveal one's undergarments while standing.
- During all liturgies and prayers, please remove any headwear. This includes all hats, visors, bandanas, etc... This is more out of respect than modesty.
- Clothing that may appear to have an anti-Christian message or with writings that include crude language, promotion of alcohol or drug use, or suggestive material of a crude or sexual nature, is prohibited.
- At such events where music is being played, many people often feel moved to dance. While we definitely encourage this at Steubenville of the Rockies, we feel it is necessary to remind you that no moves that appear tasteless or vulgar will be permitted. We invite you to have a great time, but please keep it clean!

**Thank you very much for your cooperation. We hope you have a great weekend!**