

# Bethany House Youth Code of Conduct

At all Bethany House programs and retreats in which I participate, I,

\_\_\_\_\_, understand and agree to the following:

- I, along with my peers, represent the Catholic Church. Responsible leadership and character are trademarks of the Catholic youth in the Lansing Diocese. Christ-like behavior is promoted and expected at all Bethany House activities.
- I am asked to project an image of Christian consideration, sensitivity, and respect to all others and to the property around me. Disrespect towards peers or event leaders will not be tolerated. I will listen when asked or instructed to do something and follow leader directions.
- I am responsible for my own actions and behavior and will assume the natural consequences for any negative behavior or disturbance. I will take full responsibility for any damage or theft.
- I will attend all event activities except in the situation of an emergency where an adult leader and/or the center director have been notified, doing my best to be on time arriving at activities, awaking from sleep, and returning from breaks.
- I will not leave the site unless the event leader or center director is informed and an adult accompanies me from my school or faith community.
- No alcohol, illegal drugs, or tobacco are allowed. Food and drink are allowed in the dining room only. At no time is visiting guest rooms or halls of the opposite sex permitted. Inappropriate contact, touch, gesture, language, or activity of a sexual nature, which would offend any person, is unacceptable.
- Cell phones or pagers are not to be in use and local or long distance calls will be made only in emergency situations when an adult leader has been notified.
- I will get a good nights rest and agree to any curfew set by event leaders. Curfew means shut eye time in my room. There will be no leaving rooms after curfew.
- I understand that youth and adult leaders will enforce this code of conduct and are acting in my best interest and in the best interest of the event when doing so.
- Infractions of these rules will result in adult leaders and/or the center director discussing the infraction with me. In the unlikely event that a behavior problem requires extreme action, I understand that my parents will be notified immediately and I will be picked up by a parent or guardian or sent home with an adult chaperone at my own expense.

*I agree to cooperate and have no trouble adhering to this code of conduct.*

Youth Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*I accept the conditions stated above in reference to my child's participation in Bethany House activities and understand that without my permission he/she cannot attend. I have reviewed the code of conduct with my teen. I understand that if he/she does not follow these expectations, I will be called and my teen will be sent home at my expense.*

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Phone Number(s) \_\_\_\_\_