



Code of Conduct for those who participate in Youth ministry

A “Code of Conduct” lists the rules and the responsibilities required to keep everyone safe.

All adults involved in youth ministry are required to abide and sign a Code of Conduct. Similarly, all youth also are required to abide by the set of rules set out below, so that the youth group can be fulfilling, engaging, respectful and safe for all who attend.

In accordance with the Diocese of Sale Guidelines for Ministry and Youth, it is required that you read this form and sign it to give your consent and agreement to it.

Consent and Agreement to abide by Code of Conduct for Youth

I shall:

1. Ensure that I will surrender my mobile phone at the start of the activity to the supervising adult.
2. Respect by word and by action each individual in the youth group. I agree and accept that each person who attends youth group has the right to feel safe and be themselves in the youth group without verbal criticism.
3. Resist making any verbal statements to another which are not helpful or uplifting to them.
4. Listen and interact respectfully with all participants.
5. Look out for any favouritism shown by others and especially adults on my fellow youth members.
6. Report immediately to the Youth Leader or a trusted adult anyone who makes me feel unsafe:
 - a. Anyone who bullies or controls me emotionally or simply yells at me.
 - b. Anyone who asks me to keep secrets which may harm someone else.
 - c. Anyone who encourages me to break rules.
 - d. Anyone who takes videos or photos of me without my parent’s permission
 - e. Anyone who wishes to connect with me on the Internet or social media who is an adult or someone I do not know or feel uncomfortable or unsafe with.

It is acceptable for you to type in your name and date below as your formal acknowledgement that you have read and agree to strictly observe the Code of Conduct. No signature is required. After completion, please return this form by email to the sender.

For Young Person or Child

I,[type young person’s/child’s full name.....] confirm that I have been have read, understood and shall abide by this Code of Conduct and am aware that any breach of this code may affect my participation with this activity.

Name: ...[type child’s / young person’s full name].....**Date:**[type date].....