

2009 Catholic Youth Spectacular



PARTICIPANT EXPECTATIONS / CODE OF BEHAVIOR

Welcome to the **2009** Youth Spectacular. We're glad you've decided to attend. We expect you to represent your group well during this day and hope you will display the mature, responsible leadership and character that has been the trademark of Catholic Youth programs in the Archdiocese of Hartford. While group coordinators are responsible for the actions of their participants, each group will take full responsibility for any damage or theft done by members at this event. In the unlikely event that a behavior problem/ rule infraction occurs, it is possible that immediate dismissal will result.

We believe that adults and youth alike will have a wonderful time and a meaningful experience!

- ❑ **Name Tags must be visibly worn at ALL times.**
- ❑ This is an outdoor event – rain or shine, hot or cold! BYO blanket/chair for seating on the infield. Bring bug spray/ sun protection if warranted.
- ❑ Dress for the event is casual but modest and appropriate for a Catholic event. Shirts and Shoes must be worn at ALL times. Skin should be covered when you touch your toes or raise your arms over your head. **It will get cool in the evening, so be prepared.**
- ❑ Please give Event Hospitality and Safety Staff your respect and cooperation and clean up after yourself and your group. It leaves a good impression with our host and we will be welcomed back.
- ❑ The possession, consumption, or use of any alcoholic beverage, illegal drugs, or tobacco products by any individual (youth or adult) is not allowed during this event.
- ❑ Please bring a \$ offering and full sized or mini toiletries for the collection at Mass. It will be given to Catholic Relief Services and the Immaculate Shelter.
- ❑ Active cell phones, I-pods, and other electronics are disruptive to other participants and do not allow you to be fully attentive and present during this day. Please leave them at home.
- ❑ **During Mass – and one hour prior to Mass – there is no food consumption. During Mass there is no Frisbee playing or other games, text messaging or conversations with your neighbor. This is your time with God to learn, get, and read the signs on Sunday and beyond.**

CHAPERONE COVERAGE AND EXPECTATIONS

- Thank you for your willingness to accompany a group of young people to the Catholic Youth Spectacular. We hope this day will be a positive experience for youth and adults alike. Please review the Code of Behavior above with your teens before you come and enforce it when necessary.
- It is very important for a safe and problem-free event that adults set an example for the young people. As an adult chaperone, you are responsible to attend to the needs of the teens entrusted to your care and to monitor/adjust their behavior as necessary and to intervene/report on the behavior and needs of all youth in attendance.

Thank you!