

2012 Catholic Youth Spectacular

EVENT CHECK LIST

Please begin your promotions NOW! We would love to have every parish and Catholic High School represented. **Suggested timeline:**

- **ASAP** - Put this event on your calendars and plan to attend! **SEPTEMBER 30, 2012.**
Decide how many young people you will send i.e. the whole 8th grade, the peer ministers, the JV team, the confirmation class, Juniors and Seniors, service clubs, catechetical leaders, etc. While some may be reluctant to make this event “mandatory” or part of the Religious Education/CCD program, I have found that doing so helps to create commitment early. And it exposes youth to a big church experience and others who are enthusiastic about their faith. It’s a great kick off to your programs.
- **Send in your “intent to participate” form.** This form is critical as we gather pertinent resources, plan food, and make other arrangements. Seating will be assigned in our “arena” based on the date we receive your \$50.00 application fee. If you later choose not to attend, the resource bag will still be available for you at the Orientation on Sept 20th or a later pick up date. **NEW THIS YEAR:** Get that intent form in by March 30th and you will receive some special incentives!!
- **Gather an adult team** to help you communicate with the youth (via Facebook, e-mail, texting, phone calls), collect money and keep track of paperwork, and perhaps accompany you on the day of the event. Keep information flowing to youth, parent, pastor, and parish (Bulletins, announcements)
- **Coordinate** with DRE’s, Confirmation Coordinators, Jr High Catechists, Pastoral Teams, Campus Ministers and others involved in Religious Education or Catholic Schools to involve their young people in attending this event.
- **Talk it up** in class, at youth group, in school, at scout meetings.
- **Post and distribute flyers**, postcards and other promotional materials in print or on your websites.
- **Fundraise** as necessary.
- Arrange for **transportation**.
- Set a date NOW –and tell your youth & parents- for your first meeting in August or September when you will meet to wrap up loose ends: transportation, permissions, food, clothing, schedule.
- Create a design for a **t-shirt** – if you want them- to emphasize the identity of your group.

- **June 15th** – First early bird deadline – On my desk by 4:30. (\$20/ \$18 no food)
- **July 27th** – Summer special - On my desk by 4:30. (\$25/ \$23 no food)
- **Sept 14th** - Final Deadline - On my desk by 4:30. (\$30/ \$28 no food)
- **After Sept 14th cost is \$30.00** and you need to bring your own food.
- **Sept 20th** (6:15-8:30) – Orientation meeting at the Archdiocesan Center.
- **Sept 30th** – Get on the bus for faith, food, fun, fascination, and friends.