

## COMMUNITY LIFE STANDARDS AGREEMENT

(Please make as many copies as necessary for your participants in each event)

I, the undersigned, being a participant of an activity of the Episcopal Youth Community or Youth Commission of the Diocese of Southern Virginia, do hereby contract with the other participants and staff of the conference to abide by the following requirements of orderly community life, and I take upon myself the responsibility for living in accordance with them and helping others to do so.

1. The use or possession of alcohol and illegal drugs is STRICTLY PROHIBITED.
2. Smoking is prohibited for anyone under the age of 18.
3. Firearms, fireworks, and other weapons are strictly prohibited.
4. Coed visitation between sleeping areas is prohibited between 8:00pm and 8:00am. At the Blackstone Conference, there will be no visitation in the sleeping areas.
5. Curfew is determined at the conference. Curfew is understood to be the time all persons are to be in their assigned chalet/rooms and lights out, radios/tape players at low volume.
6. YOUTH AND SPONSORS are to remain within the Conference Center grounds (except for weighty cause to be determined by the Director of Youth Ministries, the Clergy Advisor, and the Male and Female Lay Advisors of the Diocese), and a sponsor or advisor must accompany any youth who leaves for such a cause.
7. Dress may be informal, but in good taste. Shoes must be worn on Conference Center property at all times.
8. Full time participation is essential and required. This includes all meals.
9. Candles and other open flames are prohibited in chalets/rooms at any conference center where retreat is held.
10. Chalet/room assignments cannot be changed. This is necessary so that you can be located in event of an emergency.
11. Individuals and their sponsoring Parishes will be held financially responsible for any damage to property.
12. Name tags will be given out at registration. They should be worn at all times so that you can be identified as a member of the community that belongs there.
13. Non-participant visitation is NOT allowed.
14. Beepers, Cell Phones and other Electronic Communication devices prohibited. The Diocesan Youth advisors retain authority to confiscate these items if this policy is abused.
15. Failure to sign these standards or live by these standards may be cause for dismissal from the conference without financial refund.

I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the above standards.

Participant signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date

Parent/Guardian signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date