

Dear Parents/Guardians of Minor Volunteers:

Your Minor has requested to volunteer with a Catholic parish or school program. As a Minor Volunteer, he/she should have received safe environment lessons during the course of school or religious education classes prior to embarking in any volunteer capacity involving other Minors. Attached to this Consent Form is a summary of Interactions and Behaviors which we ask that you review with your child.

All Minor Volunteers work in conjunction with adult supervisors. The Minor Volunteers are required to abide by the rules and requests established by the program supervisor.

The following information is from the Diocese of Colorado Springs Manual for Parish Safe Environment Coordinators concerning Minor Volunteers:

Minor Volunteers

Parish/school nurseries sometimes utilize the assistance of Minors as helpers to watch infants and children. Further, Minors may also assist in other activities such as Vacation Bible School, etc. These young people can serve under the supervision of the screened and trained Responsible Parties. These young people should never be unsupervised and may never count as one of the Responsible Parties. Youngsters may never assist the children or infants in the restroom or change their diapers. Parents or guardians must sign a Minor Volunteer Parental Consent Form before their minor children may volunteer in any capacity with children.

By signing below, you are providing permission for your Minor to volunteer in the parish and/or school program and you will assist them in complying with the safe environment standards of the Diocese of Colorado Springs. Additional information about the Diocese's safe environment standards may be found at www.dioces.org under Child and Youth Protection Charter, including the Sexual Misconduct Policy for the Diocese of Colorado Springs which is the Code of Conduct for the Diocese.

Name of Parish

Date

Name of Parent/Guardian

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Phone number

Name of Youth

Age: _____

Signature of Youth