

## Dutchess Putnam Youth Day Code of Conduct

To make the Dutchess Putnam Youth Day a great experience for all those attending, we ask that you share this Code of Conduct with your youth and adult leaders.

### All Participants Will:

1. Create a positive environment by maintaining the spirit of the event.
2. Project an image of Christian consideration, sensitivity, and respect to everyone and to the property around them through language, dress, and behavior.
3. Follow the directions of the adult team and volunteers.
4. Engage and participate in the activities of the event.
5. Refrain from inappropriate touching and verbal harassment.
6. Refrain from public displays of affection.
7. Refrain from smoking and tobacco use.
8. Respect other persons and/or property.
9. Refrain from actions that could result in injury and/or damage to property.
10. Keep their personal belongings with them at all times.
11. Attend all scheduled activities, arriving promptly, and stay for the entire event.

### All Participants Will NOT:

1. Possess weapons of any kind.
2. Purchase, possess, consume, or distribute alcohol.
3. Purchase, possess, consume, or distribute illegal drugs.
4. Engage in any form of bullying, sexual activity or peer sexual harassment.

### Youth Participants will:

1. Let their chaperone know where they are at all times.
2. Report problems of any kind to a trusted adult.

### Adult Participants will:

1. Be Archdiocese of NY Safe Environment Compliant.
2. Know and follow the Archdiocese of New York Safe Environment guidelines of ministry with young people.
3. Appropriately chaperone youth at all times.
4. Report problems of any kind to event staff.

**If a problem of any kind occurs during the event, please go immediately to a trusted adult or event staff member to discuss the matter.**

**Youth, adult leaders, and parents understand** that failure to agree to and/or abide by the *Code of Conduct* may result in any or all of the following sanctions:

- Reporting of misconduct to local authorities, if the violation in any way violates local ordinances or laws.
- Dismissal from the event or program by requesting that the group leader remove the youth or adult (whereby it would become the responsibility of the group leader/chaperone/parent to ensure timely, accompanied, and safe transportation home).