

ADULT ADVISORS / CHAPERONES

WE EXPECT THAT YOU WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE CONVENTION FULLY, WHILE MONITORING YOUR GROUP'S PARTICIPATION, BEHAVIOR AND ADHERENCE TO THE NAMY RULES. FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF YOUR CHILDREN, THESE NAMY AND ADVISORS' GUIDELINES MUST BE STRICTLY FOLLOWED:

1. All youth advisors/chaperones (hereinafter "advisors") must be at least twenty-five (25) years of age, have a consistent record of participation in their respective parishes, and must have submitted proof of a background check (which shall include Criminal History Review and Sexual Offender Review from the appropriate authority of their parish state) to the Diocese.
2. It is recommended that, whenever possible, at least two advisors accompany any group. Every effort should be made by each group to have a male and female advisor present at the conference / convention (hereinafter "convention").
3. Parental permission consents and temporary medical proxy papers must be obtained for each participant prior to departure. Originals are to be in the possession of the Director and copies with the advisors at all times during the convention.
4. A mandatory meeting must be held with youth's parents, Parish Priest and/or Parish Council Chair to familiarize them with NAMY and advisor guidelines and convention schedule. Parents will be given a copy and asked to sign a form, along with their son/daughter, showing agreement with NAMY guidelines. This should be kept with their application for attendance.
5. All advisors are expected to be familiar with NAMY guidelines and the convention schedule so that they may advise their youth appropriately.
6. Advisors must monitor their group at all times, and secure their full participation throughout the convention (activities and prayer services).
7. Young people should be reminded, when necessary, to be respectful of the speakers, the advisors and the facilities.
8. Any infraction of the NAMY guidelines should be dealt with within the individual group and reported to the convention Director / Chair, who in consultation with the group's advisor will decide if action should be taken. If deemed necessary by the convention Director / Chair, the offending youth's parent(s) will be called and the youth will be sent home in an appropriate and safe manner at the parent's expense. There will be no refund of any payments made regardless of when such violation occurs.
9. NAMY is not responsible for any damages to the convention facility. Every youth organization is responsible for its own members. If any such problem arises, payment due the hotel or the convention center will be the responsibility of the individual youth and his/her parents.
10. The Director is available and may be consulted on any issue of concern to the advisors.