

REGISTRATION SCHEDULE

Wednesday, February 8, 2012 at 10:00am CST

Online registration begins

Tuesday, May 1, 2012

Full and final payments are due in Regional Office

Tuesday, May 8, 2012

Gender Breakdown is due in Regional Office

Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Room Lists are due for Week 1 Groups (excel spreadsheet via email)

Tuesday, June 12, 2012

Room Lists are due for Week 2 Groups (excel spreadsheet via email)

Tuesday, June 19, 2012

Individual Online Registration closes at 9:00am CST

COSTS

In trying to keep costs down, but with a 5% increase in food, a 17% increase in housing and an 11% increase in facilities we have no other choice but to raise the cost of the conference fees. The total cost of the conference this year will be **\$170.00** per participant. This includes the Group Leader, Adult Chaperones, Young Adults and Youth. Priests are free for those willing to hear confessions throughout the weekend.

The conference fee covers:

The cost of meals starting with Friday night dinner through Sunday breakfast, housing and all conference fees. The fee does not include lunch on Sunday. If your group wants to order a sack lunch on Sunday for an additional charge, we will have bag lunch orders available.

Group leaders will:

1.) Complete the group registration process online. 2.) Print out the form that is emailed to them after registration. 3.) Send the form to our office with the required \$30.00 deposit per spot. Deposits are due 10 business days after registration. **All final payments are due Tuesday, May 1, 2012. Any payments made after the due date are subject to a \$50.00 late fee. Housing will not be assigned until all payments are in.**

GROUP REGISTRATION

- Go to www.stlyouth.org/steubenville and click on *Register Here* icon
- Sign in under the User Login tab on the right.
- If you are not a registered user, simply click on *Create an Account* and create your individual account.
- Follow directions to register your group.
- Print the completed registration you receive via email. Send the form along with your deposit payment (check, MasterCard, Visa or Discover) to:

Office of Youth Ministry
Steubenville St. Louis
20 Archbishop May Drive
Saint Louis, MO 63119
Fax : 314-792-7619

- Please estimate conservatively your spots you can fill as all payments are non-refundable.
- Once your deposit payment and form are received by the Regional Office, your registration will be secured.

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Go to www.stlyouth.org/steubenville for more information



GROUPS

Groups are defined as one adult leader with one or more youth participants. No single registrations will be accepted. The Group Leader is the one person organizing the trip and serving as a contact person to the Registration Office. The Group Leader must be an adult, age 21 or older, who is attending the conference. All written and oral correspondence takes place between the Group Leader and the registration staff.

CATEGORIES OF PARTICIPANTS ARE:

Adult Chaperone

Chaperones must be 21 years of age or older by the date of the conference. All chaperones must be of solid character, and in compliance with their home Diocesan Child Protection Policies. It is the responsibility of the group leader to ensure that all chaperones are in compliance. (See Adult Chaperone Policies) Chaperones must be able to carry out the role of supervising and attending to the youth. Chaperones must be of good health and must be able to walk distances, handle loud music and active youth.

Priests

Any group bringing a priest willing to hear confessions will be given FREE registration for the priest/s. We encourage all groups to invite and bring your priest with you. Priests must also register online, and a Certificate of Aptitude needs to be submitted for each priest from their home diocese to the regional office. These certificates will be submitted to the diocese of Springfield – Cape Girardeau

Young Adult Core

Young adults who work with their groups as young adult core members. These are people who cannot be counted as chaperones due to their age - 18 to 20. There should be no more than one young adult per ten youth. (ie, you have 46 teens, you are allowed 5 young adult core) 45 divided by 10 = 4.5 = 5

Participants in the conference

Incoming freshmen (Entering 9th grade in August of 2012) through Graduating seniors (Class of 2012).

ADULT CHAPERONE - ADULT TO YOUTH RATIO NEW THIS YEAR

There should be one adult for every eight (8) youth per gender. If you have any questions about numbers, please call our office. Examples:

- You have 16 youth - 9 B and 7 G - you will need 2 male and 1 female chaperones
- You have 26 youth - 12 B and 14 G - you need 2 male and 2 female chaperones
- You have 87 youth - 24 B and 63 G - you will need 3 male and 8 female chaperones

Younger children

With the best care for the Youth in mind, children and infants are NOT ALLOWED. The Group Leader and Chaperones must be made aware of this policy. Although we strongly support Catholic family life, our staffing, facility constraints, and insurance regulations do not allow us to provide for infants and children on the campus. The focus of the Adult Chaperones needs to be on the youth participants.

FOOD CHANGE THIS YEAR

Only one dining hall will be open this year. Garst Dining Hall will be under renovation and will not be used at all this summer. There will be dining in PSU Grand Ballroom, in Blair Shannon Dining Hall and BOX Meals. We are also looking for some groups to choose BOX Meals. You pick up your meal, find a shady spot, sit and eat your meals together as a group. I will work with those groups and make sure that each group who chooses BOX Meals will get the best meal possible. The number of BOX Meals is limited to about 300. You will have that option to choose BOX meals later.

HOUSING

Onsite housing at Missouri State will be dorm sleeping for participants and chaperones. Dorm housing will have two single beds in each room. Three people will be staying in each room, one person on the floor. This includes chaperones. Dorm housing is separated by gender. Some dorms may have genders on different floors or wings. It is the responsibility of the group leader and chaperones to make sure that no one enters the sleeping halls of the other gender.



JULY 6-9, 2012

JULY 13-15, 2012



All conference sessions will be on the campus of Missouri State University in Springfield, Missouri.

Springfield is about three hours southwest of St. Louis north of Branson, Missouri. The campus of Missouri State features the JQ Arena (The Q) where our main sessions will be held. The arena allows 3500 participants and sits near all other venues, dorms and dining for the conference weekend. The breakout sessions will be nearby in Juanita K. Hammons. There is a lot of green space for small groups, football, soccer or just hanging out.

COST: 170.00

ONLINE GROUP REGISTRATION

begins February 8, 2012
at 10:00am CST
www.stlyouth.org

LEAD - Leadership, Evangelization and Discipleship

Franciscan LEAD is a five-day, Christ-centered, sacrament-soaked, prayer-fueled immersion in Catholic teachings inspired by the life and witness of St. Francis of Assisi. The dates for the LEAD weeks are:

Monday, July 2 through Friday, July 6, 2012 and
Monday, July 9 through Friday, July 13, 2012

This program is for high school students entering their Junior, Senior or graduating Seniors who:

- *Love Jesus and His Church.*
- *Are ready to take their Catholic faith to the next level*
- *Want to learn how to share their love of Christ with friends and classmates.*
- *Want to go deeper in prayer.*
- *Want to inspire others to answer Christ's radical call to love and serve.*

Cost per person is \$350.00

Application packet will be sent to each group leader after the group registration date via email. There is no limit to the number of teens that may apply from each group, although we recommend sending 3-4 from each group. The online application process includes the group leader/youth minister referral and the teen's application. The group leader is responsible for submitting all pieces of the application.



WEEK 1

JULY 6 - 9, 2012

HOST:
Tammy Evevard

With her engaging style and ability to weave a story of God's passion for his people, Tammy Evevard has spent more than 20 years speaking to young people all over North America on the power of God in our lives, Scripture, leadership training, and women's issues.

Tammy has presented to countless audiences on both regional and national levels including a keynote presentation at the National Catholic Youth Conference to over 20,000 teens. She is known as a dynamic and passionate speaker who captures audiences with her enthusiastic style and storytelling. A past member of the National Evangelization Teams and Reach Youth Ministry Team, Tammy lives in Boulder, Colorado, with her husband, Mark, and three children.

ENTERTAINMENT

Cooper Ray

SPEAKERS

Fr. Leo Patalinghug
TBA
Judy McDonald



WEEK 2

JULY 13 - 15, 2012

HOST:
Brian Kissinger

Brian Kissinger grew up in Steubenville, Ohio, and attended Franciscan University, where he became involved in youth ministry. Since graduating, he has worked as a youth minister and currently serves at a parish in Fairfax, Virginia.

He has a passion for sharing the Gospel with teens, and emphasizes bringing them a message of hope in a culture that has lost its sense of purpose. Brian is so grateful for the opportunities God has given him to speak at various retreats, conferences, and youth events, where he gets to see teens experience and encounter the love of God.

ENTERTAINMENT

Sean Forrest

SPEAKERS

Fr. John Kerth
Matt Smith
Lea Darrow



MUSIC FOR BOTH WEEKS ADAM BITTER

Adam Bitter has been a director of music and a youth minister at Incarnate Word Parish in St. Louis, Missouri for the past 11 years. In his spare time he enjoys sleeping and eating. He also enjoys sitting down and doing nothing. He has a passion for the outdoors and many weekends of the year are spent with his family camping, hiking, and fishing. Adam lives with three of the most beautiful women in the world, his wife Heather and his six year old daughter Sadie and his 1 year old Daughter Gracie. His true desire is to grow as close as possible to the Lord Jesus Christ, and to be a wonderful husband and loving father. He looks forward to spending time with Christ, and with all of you.

