

2023 Witness to Life Code of Behavior

Welcome to the **2023 Witness to Life Pilgrimage!** We are glad that you will be sharing this experience with us in Washington, DC. We know that you will represent your school and parish well during the pilgrimage and expect that you will display mature and responsible leadership.

We want you to know what our expectations are for you. Please read these items over carefully. Crafted in light of our years of experience, these guidelines will ensure that the **Witness to Life** experience is enjoyable and profitable for all. Please note that all participants will be expected to adhere to these regulations during the trip.

Rules and Regulations:

1. Group leaders and chaperones are responsible for the actions of their students. Each school will take full responsibility for any damage or theft done by members of their group during the **Witness to Life** pilgrimage.
2. We look to the adult leaders/chaperones in each group to help implement this code of behavior. Please respect these adults as they fulfill their role.
3. Participants are expected to attend all activities designated by the Archdiocese of Boston on this pilgrimage.
4. No visiting is allowed in hotel rooms by members of the opposite sex. The Purple Rule will be in effect (Girls (Pink) + Boys (Blue) = Purple). Girls remain with girls and boys remain with boys in the hotel rooms at all times.
5. All participants must stay in their respective rooms during the hours assigned for sleep.
6. NO wandering the hotel halls or lobby and no leaving the hotel without your group leader/chaperones.
7. The purchase, possession or consumption of any alcoholic beverage and the possession or use of any illegal drugs by any individual will not be tolerated. Smoking will not be permitted by anyone on the Witness to Life pilgrimage.
8. Whenever the schedule calls for small group activities, each participant must be with his/her group leader(s) and members of his or her school group.
9. All participants will be expected to observe the rules of the hotel and any other venue we visit.
10. In the unlikely event that a behavior problem, based on the above rules, requires extreme action, immediate dismissal from the pilgrimage will result at the expense of the participant's parent/guardian.
11. I agree to treat each and every person I encounter with dignity and respect, in word and action.

As a member of my school, I understand and agree to abide by the **2023 Witness to Life Code of Behavior**. I also understand and agree that I will notify my parent(s) or guardian(s) at the time of any infractions requiring my dismissal from the Witness to Life program. In that circumstance, I understand and agree that I will be sent home at my own or my parents' or my guardians' expense.

Print Name Adult Participant _____

Signature of Adult Participant: _____ Date: _____

Print Name of Youth Participant: _____

Signature of Youth Participant: _____ Date: _____

Print Name of Parent/Guardian _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____