



# Volunteer Formation / Requirements

- I certify that the information contained in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I commit to attend all catechist formation and training sessions.
- I understand that additional time for preparing lessons is necessary to be effective as a catechist
- I will consistently support and guide the children and teens of this parish in their faith formation journey.
- I realize that extra time may be required for special events in different grades ( ie: Sacrament Prep, service trips, festivals, retreats) and I commit to this additional time as needed.

**I will comply with the following Archdiocesan directives for all adults who have contact with minors, BEFORE the start date of the programs I am volunteering for:**

- I will complete an **online criminal background check** on the Archdiocese's website (see attached instructions).
- I will attend a **VIRTUS Training Session** (see attached instructions).
- I will complete, sign and return a **State of Illinois – DCFS CANTS form** (see attached – must be completed yearly).
- I will read, sign and return the **Volunteer's Code of Conduct form** (see attached).

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

## **EXPERIENCE WITHIN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:** (NEW volunteers only!)

Previous experience as a religious educator: \_\_\_\_\_

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Participation in parish organizations or activities: \_\_\_\_\_

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Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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I have been a member of **this** parish for \_\_\_\_\_ years.

I was previously a member of \_\_\_\_\_ parish for \_\_\_\_\_ years.

**EDUCATION:** Relevant areas of study and/or research: \_\_\_\_\_

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**OTHER QUALIFICATIONS:** Previous experience working with Children or Teens:

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