IV. “Grandparenting”

Those who have completed diocesan certification under the old certification process will be able to maintain that certification through 2025 in accordance with the stipulations for renewal of certification outlined in that certification process, included below. Maintaining previously granted diocesan certification will meet the requirements for High School Campus Ministers.

Anyone who completed diocesan certification under the old certification process must submit an Application for Certification “Grandparenting” Form (Appendix F.a) by June 2017 in order to maintain this certification. Those who began instruction under the old certification process, but did not have it completed will be able to apply that training to the requirements for the new process.

Renewal of Diocesan Certification granted under the old process:

Certification must be renewed by obtaining a minimum of ten hours of CEC (Continuing Education Credit) every two years. CEC hours may be earned by attending diocesan, regional and national workshops, in-services, and conventions that focus on Catholic youth ministry. Throughout the year, the OYYAM offers workshops on topics such as volunteer recruitment, service-learning opportunities, retreats, and more.

In order to receive a renewal certificate, individuals must submit an Application for Diocesan Certification Renewal Form (Appendix F.b), along with evidence of continuing education to the OYYAM.

This grandparenting process will phase out December 31, 2025, following which individuals will not be able to renew their diocesan certification. Individuals with diocesan certification under the old process are encouraged to work toward National Certification during the period of time before this grandparenting process is phased out.